

Pastor Anne Hight, East Hills Alliance Church, gave the invocation. Mayor David Futcher led the flag salute. The Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council was called to order by Mayor David Futcher. Councilmembers in attendance were: Futcher, Schimmel, McDaniel, Archer, Franklin, Roberson and Myers.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember Schimmel, seconded by Councilmember Myers, 'Approve the Minutes of the 3/04/14 Regular Meeting,' motion carried, all voting yes.

PRESENTATION:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Consolidated 5 Year Plan: Cowlitz County Planning Manager Melissa Taylor provided an informative presentation regarding the plan's process, goals and priorities. She discussed housing needs and how it impacts the community. She asked the Council for feedback by completing a questionnaire that targets the priorities that they believe applies to the City of Kelso.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Fireworks Stand Permits:**
 - a) Kelso Kiwanis (1 Stand)
 - 1) Kelso 1st Baptist Church, 214 South 4th Avenue
 - b) Kelso Recreational Council (2 Stands)
 - 1) Riverway Plaza, 200 South Kelso Drive
 - 2) Safeway #2637, 411 three Rivers Drive
2. **Contract Award:** Chestnut Street Stormwater System Upgrade Project – Murray, Smith & Associates, Inc.
3. **Contract Closeout:** Harris and Ayers Streets Sewer Replacement Projects – Advanced Excavating
4. **Auditing of Accounts:** \$ 1,855,915.09

Upon motion by Councilmember Roberson, seconded by Councilmember Schimmel, 'Approve the Consent Agenda and the Auditing of Accounts in the amount of \$1,855,915.09,' motion carried, all voting yes.

CITIZEN BUSINESS:

Dwight Alan Slater, 206 Crawford, expressed concern about the condition of the railroad grade crossings in the city. He spoke about putting a railroad crossing underpass at Hazel Street and not an overpass as suggested by the consultants.

Johann Peters, 512 West Main Street, representative of the West Main Business Association, spoke about either expanding the boundaries of the existing Façade Improvement Program or starting a new program that would benefit the businesses on West Main.

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

Façade Improvement Program Discussion: City Manager Steve Taylor provided a presentation of the City of Kelso's current downtown Façade Improvement Program. The presentation showed that due to specific policy provisions, the businesses located on West Main Street are not eligible for the program. Mr. Taylor commented that the staff will continue researching possible funding to help with the business' signage issues due to the realignment project.

Emergency Support Shelter Deed of Trust: Finance Director Brian Butterfield briefed the Council regarding the Emergency Support Shelter's HUD #1 Loan. The Emergency Support Shelter is relocating from Kelso to Longview. They are requesting that the City authorize the transfer of the lien to the Longview building and asked that the City subordinate the City's position on the lien to the new debt issuer. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, 'Authorize the transfer of the lien to the new building and the subordination of the City's lien position to the new debt issuer.' Councilmembers Fitcher, Archer, Franklin, McDaniel, Roberson and Schimmel voted yes. Councilmember Myers voted no. Motion passed, 6 to 1.

MOTION ITEMS:

Ordinance No. 14-3820 – Encode Fees to Master Fee Schedule: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Myers, 'Adopt Ordinance No. 14-3820, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO REPEALING ORDINANCE 3765 AND AMENDING THE KELSO MUNICIPAL CODE TO REMOVE REFERENCE TO CERTAIN CODIFIED FEES AND REPLACE WITH REFERENCE TO CITY COUNCIL FEE RESOLUTION,' motion passed, all voting yes.

Ordinance No. 14-3821 – Marijuana Land Use: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Roberson, 'Adopt Ordinance No. 14-3821, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE KELSO MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO LAND USE AND ZONING TO REGULATE MARIJUANA LAND USES, ESTABLISHING A NEW CHAPTER 17.45 OF THE KELSO MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADOPT ZONING RESTRICTIONS ON THE PRODUCTION, PROCESSING, AND RETAILING OF RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA, DESCRIBING THE LAND USE IMPACTS TRIGGERING SUCH

RESTRICTIONS, IDENTIFYING THE PERMITTED ZONES FOR SUCH USES, ESTABLISHING SEPARATION AND DISTANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUCH USES AND ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES FOR VIOLATIONS, AND FURTHER REPEALING THE MORATORIUM IN EFFECT ON SUCH USES.'

James Roberts, 6230 Willow Grove Road, Longview, spoke from the audience regarding medical marijuana and collective gardens.

Mayor Fatcher advised Mr. Roberts to attend the Planning Commission meeting where they will be forming a recommendation regarding collective gardens to bring to Council in the near future. Motion carried, all voting yes.

Ordinance No. 14-3822 – Marijuana Code Amendment/Repealed: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Myers, 'Adopt Ordinance No. 14-3822, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO AMENDING THE KELSO MUNICIPAL CODE TO REPEAL CHAPTER 9.20 DRUG PARAPHERNALIA AND CHAPTER 9.24 MARIJUANA AND AMEND CHAPTER 9.04 STATE CRIMINAL STATUTES ADOPTED, TO BRING THE MUNICIPAL CODE INTO CONFORMANCE WITH CURRENT STATE MARIJUANA AND DRUG PARAPHERNALIA STATUTES,' motion passed, all voting yes.

Resolution No. 14-1112 – Master Fee Schedule Amendment: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Archer, seconded by Councilmember Schimmel, 'Pass Resolution No. 14-1112,' A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON, AMENDING THE CITY'S MASTER FEE SCHEDULE.' Mr. Taylor pointed out that an engineering review and inspection fee was added to the Engineering Fee Schedule since the distribution of the agenda packet last Friday. Councilmember Franklin made a motion to have all business license registration fees removed from the fee schedule. Motion died for lack of a second. Councilmembers Fatcher, Schimmel, Myers, Roberson, Archer and McDaniel voted yes. Councilmember Franklin voted no. Motion passed, 6 to 1.

The Council gave direction to staff to research and bring back an appropriate policy so the City can contribute special events fees to certain organizations for certain events.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Steve Taylor: No report.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Rick Roberson: Provided an update on the South Kelso Neighborhood Associations.

Gary Schimmel: No report.

Dan Myers: No report.

Jared Franklin: No report.

Todd McDaniel: Provided an update on the River Cities Transit Authority Board.

Gary Archer: No report.

David Futcher: 1) Commented about the City team taking 3rd place in the Spell-ebration fundraiser event. He pointed out that the City team won the best costume category. 2) Introduced the new Daily News Reporter Shira Moskowitz. She will be covering the council meetings.

There being no further business, Mayor Futcher adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.



MAYOR



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