



Minutes of the Arlington City Council Meeting

Council Chambers
110 East 3rd Street
Monday, July 17, 2023

Councilmembers Present: Don Vanney, Heather Logan, Debora Nelson, Marilyn Oertle, Jan Schuette, Michele Blythe, and Yvonne Gallardo-Van Ornam.

Council Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Mayor Barb Tolbert, Paul Ellis, James Trefry, Mike Gilbert, Jim Kelly, Kris Wallace, City Attorney Steve Peiffle, Tony Orr, and Wendy Van Der Meersche.

Also Known to be Present: Kathy Vanney, Bob Nelson, Sid Logan, Steve Maisch, Holly Sloan-Buchanan, Scott Boe, Dawnelle Holt, Liz Vogeli, Madeline Gerwick, Sue Ward, Chris Edwards, Tyler Johnson, Ryan Johnson, Tom Howie, Linda Parrish, Carolyn Lance, Kenzie, Killebrew, Kaitlyn Lindsey, Delphine Ferreira, and other members of the public, and Saffron Coehlo, who joined with Zoom.

Mayor Barb Tolbert called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call followed.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Jan Schuette moved to approve the agenda as presented. Councilmember Don Vanney seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS AND PRESENTATIONS

None.

PROCLAMATIONS

None.

Mayor Tolbert introduced City Attorney Steve Peiffle, who stated that the City has continued to solicit advice regarding its responsibility to its citizens and to the Arlington Pride organization. Mr. Peiffle has provided legal counsel, and there have been discussions with other legal counsel. There is an upcoming meeting Wednesday that will be helpful in discussing this issue. The City will continue to do its best to follow the law established under both the state and federal constitutions, Washington State Law and Case Law Authority. Mr. Peiffle stated that this is not an issue that the City is ignoring.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Saffron Coehlo, Lake Stevens, provided comments, via Zoom.
Scott Boe, Arlington, provided comments.
Dawnelle Holt, Arlington, provided comments.
Liz Vogeli, Everett, provided comments.
Madeline Gerwick, Arlington, provided comments.
Sue Ward, Arlington, provided comments.
Chris Edwards, Darrington, provided comments.
Tyler Johnson, Arlington, provided comments.
Ryan Johnson, Arlington, provided comments.
Tom Howie, Snohomish County, provided comments.
Linda Parrish, Arlington, provided comments.
Carolyn Lance, Arlington, provided comments.
Kenzie Killebrew, Arlington, provided comments.
Kaitlyn Lindsey, Arlington, provided comments.
Delphine Ferreira, Arlington, provided comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Jan Schuette moved, and Councilmember Marilyn Oertle seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda that was unanimously carried:

1. Minutes of the July 3 and July 10, 2023 Council meetings
2. Accounts Payable:
Approval of Petty Cash Checks #2024; EFT Payments and Claims Checks:
#108537 through #108639 dated July 4, 2023 through July 17, 2023
for a total of \$517,282.90; Approval of Payroll EFT Payments and
Check #30288 through #30295 dated June 1, 2023 through
June 30, 2023 in the amount of \$1,323,345.93.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Mobile Integrated Health Program

City Administrator Paul requested Council approve Amendment No. 1 to the contract with Washington State Health Care Authority and the contract with Center for Justice Social Work.

The City received \$750,000 in grant funding to continue the Mobile Integrated Health Program an additional two years. The agreement will begin August 1, 2023, and conclude July 31, 2025. The current year-end report is due by July 31, 2023, and will be provided to City Council as soon as it is available.

The City previously entered into a contract with Washington State Health Care Authority (HCA) to provide support to individuals experiencing behavioral distress, with funds distributed by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Those funds are paid to the Center for Justice Social Work (CJSW). A brief discussion followed with Mr. Ellis answering Council questions.

Mayor Pro Tem Jan Schuette moved, and Councilmember Heather Logan seconded the motion to approve the contract amendment with HCA and approve the contract with CJSW and authorized the Mayor to sign both documents. The motion passed unanimously.

Acceptance of Phase 1 of the 173rd Street Project

Public Works Director Jim Kelly requested Council approve the final acceptance of the 173rd St Phase 1 Project that was completed by Reece Construction, Inc.

Councilmember Don Vanney moved, and Councilmember Debora Nelson seconded the motion to approve final acceptance of the 173rd St Phase 1 Project completed by Reece Construction, Inc. The motion passed unanimously.

Acceptance of 40th Avenue and 172nd Street Intersection Project

Public Works Director Jim Kelly reviewed the final acceptance of the 40th Ave/172nd St Intersection Project that was completed by Interwest Construction, Inc.

Councilmember Michele Blythe moved, and Councilmember Debora Nelson seconded the motion to approve final acceptance of the 40th Ave and 172nd St Intersection Project completed by Interwest Construction, Inc. The motion passed unanimously.

Renewal of Water Service Agreement with Snohomish County PUD

Public Works Director Jim Kelly requested Council approve the renewal of the Water Service Agreement with Snohomish County PUD in order for Arlington to continue to purchase water to supplement City water needs.

Councilmember Debora Nelson moved, and Councilmember Don Vanney seconded the motion to approve the wholesale water agreement between the City of Arlington and Snohomish PUD for supplemental water purchase. The motion passed unanimously.

Low Bid Award for the 204th Street and 74th Avenue Intersection

Public Works Director Jim Kelly requested Council award the 204th/74th Intersection Project to Reece Construction Company.

Councilmember Yvonne Gallardo-Van Ornam moved, and Councilmember Michele Blythe seconded the motion to award the 204th/74th Intersection Project to Reece Construction Company in the amount of \$1,199,999.00 and authorized the Mayor to sign the Construction Contract. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmember Don Vanney stated he will be attending a public safety crime prevention committee meeting in Tacoma.

ADMINISTRATOR & STAFF REPORTS

None.

MAYOR'S REPORT

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.



Barbara Tolbert, Mayor