



**CITY OF LA CENTER CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
March 22, 2017**

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REGULAR MEETING:

1. Mayor Thornton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL:**

Council:

Councilmember Birdwell-Currey	Absent/Excused
Councilmember Luiz	Present
Councilmember Williams	Present
Councilmember Valenzuela	Present
Councilmember Cervený	Present
Mayor Thornton	Present

Staff:

Marc Denney, Chief of Police
Daniel Kearns, City Attorney
Suzanne Levis, Finance Director/Clerk
Jeff Sarvis, Public Works Director

Guests:

Lissa Boynton	Jim & Candi Irish
Doug & Barbara Burtwell	Jack LaBounty
Skip Carlson	Larry Lewton
Sandra Day	Andy "Sheriff" Taylor
Al Filla	Rick & Suzi Terrell
Theresa Filla	

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**
 - A. **APPROVAL OF CHECKS PAYABLES – 03.22.17**
 - B. **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – 03.08.17**
 - C. **INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CLARK COUNTY AND LA CENTER FOR DECANT AND/OR STREET SWEEPINGS PROCESSING AND DISPOSAL SERVICES.**

MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER CERVENÝ, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WILLIAMS AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE MARCH 22, 2017 CONSENT AGENDA.



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5. COUNCIL STAFF REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS.

A. MAYOR'S REPORT.

- The next Mayor's Town Hall is Wednesday, April 5, 6:30 p.m., Public Works office.
- Monument Signs Update: Mayor Thornton, Councilmember Cerveney, and Public Works Director Sarvis met with the Cowlitz Tribe regarding the monument signs at the I-5 junction. Tribal Chairman Iyall presented new alternatives; mock signs will be erected. Discussions will continue, after the City has had an opportunity to peruse the signs.
- April 12 City Council meeting: Marc Botorac of Kittleson & Associates will present an update on the interchange project.
- TDS buildings: Construction is currently underway at the two TDS buildings in order to separate them in preparation for the sale of the office building. Public Works Director Sarvis provided a summary of property line adjustments.
- Mayor Thornton recognized Ridgefield Councilmember Sandra Day in attendance.
- The New Phoenix Casino is shutting its doors effective March 26. The City's financial consultant, Paul Lewis, will provide an update on the impact of the closure on the City at a future City Council meeting (tentatively April 12).

B. ATTORNEY'S REPORT – Daniel Kearns, City Attorney, gave an update on the Growth Management Board matter.

C. COUNCIL COMMENTS.

- **COUNCILMEMBER BIRDWELL-CURREY** – Absent/Excused.
- **COUNCILMEMBER LUIZ** – None.
- **COUNCILMEMBER WILLIAMS** – None.
- **COUNCILMEMBER VALENZUELA** asked about the City's Growth Management Board and attorney fees reimbursements; talked about establishing a group to represent La Center at Ridgefield's Big Paddle event and establishing a working group to organize a similar event in La Center.



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- **COUNCILMEMBER CERVENY** thanked and welcomed all guests at the meeting; the North County Food Bank is holding their Spring Tea on April 22 with the theme being “Kentucky Derby.”

D. STAFF REPORTS.

- **DIRECTOR JEFF SARVIS, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.** Director Sarvis provided an update on the redirection of traffic at the I-5 junction construction site for April 1-5 and April 9-13 (maps displayed); and also provided updates on other improvement projects.
- **DIRECTOR SUZANNE LEVIS, FINANCE DEPARTMENT.** The Finance Department’s Staff Report covered Facebook, Federal Reimbursement Policy, Sewer Revenue Bond, iCompass software, and RFP for financial software. The 1st Quarter Financial Report for 2017 will be presented at the April 26 City Council meeting.

6. CITIZEN’S PUBLIC COMMENT.

DOUG BURTWELL, 34608 NW 11TH AVE. suggested installing a sidewalk from La Center to the I-5 Junction along La Center Road for walking / biking.

JIM IRISH, 1653 E HERITAGE LOOP. April 15 is La Center Lions’ Easter Breakfast and Egg Hunt at the Community Center; recommended City Council support Senate Bill 5806 and House Bill 2095 (interstate bridge across Columbia River).

CANDI IRISH, 1653 E HERITAGE LOOP. There are new yellow ribbons on the bridge.

7. PRESENTATIONS – None.

8. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS.

- A. RESOLUTION NO. 17-416 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE CLARK REGIONAL NATURAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN.** Public Works Director Jeff Sarvis presented Resolution 17-416 accepting all of Volume 1 and the Introduction, Appendices and the City’s District’s portion of Volume 2 of the Clark Regional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan as discussed during this evening’s Work Session and presented in part by Anthony Vendetti, CRESA, Emergency Management Coordinator. The full report is available online at FEMA.gov website.

MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER VALENZUELA, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER CERVENY AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO



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APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 17-416 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE CLARK REGIONAL NATURAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN.

- B. RESOLUTION NO. 17-417 REPEALING RESOLUTION 10-332 AND ADOPTING A REVISED WEBSITE, BLOGGING AND SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY.** Finance Director Suzanne Levis and City Attorney Kearns presented Resolution 17-417 updating the City's policies which includes guidelines for the City's upcoming Facebook page.

MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER WILLIAMS, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUIZ AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 17-417 REPEALING RESOLUTION 10-332 AND ADOPTING A REVISED WEBSITE, BLOGGING AND SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY.

- C. RESOLUTION NO. 17-418 - A RESOLUTION IN THE MATTER OF DELEGATING TO THE FINANCE DIRECTOR AUTHORITY TO LEGALLY BIND THE CITY THE SOLE PURPOSE OF REQUESTING FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT.** Finance Director Suzanne Levis and City Attorney Kearns presented. This Resolution documents the process already in place for the City to request Federal funds reimbursement.

MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUIZ, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER CERVENY AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 17-418 IN THE MATTER OF DELEGATING TO THE FINANCE DIRECTOR AUTHORITY TO LEGALLY BIND THE CITY THE SOLE PURPOSE OF REQUESTING FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT.

- D. ORDINANCE NO. 2017-05 AMENDING THE ADOPTED BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF LA CENTER, FISCAL YEAR 2017 (SEWER REVENUE BOND).** Finance Director Suzanne Levis presented. Ordinance No. 2017-05 proposes that the transactions for the sewer line to the junction and the issuance of the Special Revenue Bond be transferred to its own newly-created funds.

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Mayor Thornton called for a Roll Call vote:

Councilmember Birdwell-Currey	Absent
Councilmember Luiz	Yes
Councilmember Williams	Yes
Councilmember Valenzuela	Yes
Councilmember Cerveny	Yes

9. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA** – None.
10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None.
11. **NEW BUSINESS** – None.
12. **ADJOURNMENT.**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.



Mayor Greg Thornton



Suzanne Levis, Finance Director/Clerk