

## **CITY OF SULTAN COUNCIL MEETING – June 22, 2023**

Mayor Wiita called the regular meeting to order at approximately 7:00 p.m. The meeting was a hybrid with attendees both in person at City Hall Council Chambers and via Zoom Internet Conference Service. Mayor Wiita called roll and the following were in attendance:

Councilmembers: Morgan, Aldrich, Dearborn, Hund, Dawson, Sivewright, and Beeler.

Councilmember Absent: Dearborn

Noted Councilmember Beeler arrived late at approximately 7:04 pm near the beginning of the public hearing AB23-34 Staff: Public Works Director Morgan, Community Development Director Hal Hart, and City Clerk Pevey.

### **CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

On a motion by Councilmember Aldrich, seconded by Councilmember Dearborn, the council made the following changes to the agenda. Motion passed 6-0.

- Cancel Public Hearing #1\_AB21-93\_Resolution 23-08\_Housing Action Plan
- Cancel Action Item #3\_AB21-93\_Resolution 23-08\_Housing Action Plan.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

#### **AB23-34\_Resolution 23-05\_2024 to 2029 Transportation Improvement Plan**

*Presentation on file with the City Clerk's Office*

*Minutes of the public hearing under separate cover.*

On a motion by Councilmember Aldrich, Seconded by Councilmember Dearborn the public hearing regarding AB23-34\_Resolution 23-05\_2024 to 2029 Transportation Improvement Plan was closed. Motion passed 7-0.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

*Written Comments on file with the City Clerk's Office.*

Maryanne Hoffer, Skyridge Estates, Sultan – Written comments expressing concerns regarding LGI Maintenance Bond Issues with landscaping in the Skyridge Estates Development.

Judy Heydrick, Startup: Written comments expressing concerns regarding AB21-93\_Resolution 23-08\_Housing Action Plan.

Colleen Rupke, Bryant Road, Sultan – written comments expressing concerns regarding AB21-93\_Resolution 23-08\_Housing Action Plan.

Ester Valencia – written comments expressing concerns regarding LGI Maintenance Bond Issues with landscaping in the Skyridge Estates Development.

Jim Walls, Timberline Mobile Park, Sultan – expressed concerns over 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities occurring at nearby church and open field; issues with parking and safety during the event; has expanded thru years and feels additional monitoring to ensure safety.

Jeff Estes, Startup – hard work of city staff expected and appreciated; city parks look good; efforts to reduce traffic flow appreciated; expressed concerns over potential park levy on residents; affordable housing action plan concerns expressed.

Ron Kraut, Sultan – echoed housing action plan concerns regarding higher density logic.

### **COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS**

Morgan – Acknowledged comments from public; in attendance at AWC Conference and has been enjoyable.

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Aldrich – Thanked the public for their input. Attended Alliance Summer Kick and the event was well attended.

Dearborn, Hund, and Dawson acknowledged and thanked citizens for their input.

Sivewright – acknowledged written comments and verbal citizen comments received; addressed the housing action plan and acknowledged many voices interested in continuing to offer growth to allow for families to stay in the valley but acknowledged 80% population growth in last year in Sultan and will continue to experience growing pains as the council listens to the citizens and reviews decisions before them.

Beeler – addressed affordable housing comments and expressed his opinions in regard to this topic and also acknowledged impact of WSDOT change to timing of traffic signals; also expressed opinions on suggested roundabouts proposed; need to set aside our city for different reasons and acknowledged needing to have those areas defined and expressed his opinions on what is market driven and his views.

**MAYOR COMMENTS**

Thanked citizens for their comments and acknowledged will reach out to Church regarding fireworks impact; acknowledged Councilmember Beeler comments regarding traffic light issues and requires staff to create a squeaky wheel to get it corrected; acknowledged Councilmember Sivewright comments regarding Skyridge/Cobble Hill resident/developer issues and that staff is working on; appreciate the city having a strong representation at AWC conference this week and acknowledged the hard work the councilmembers and city administrator are networking on behalf of the city.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS**

Sultan is being acknowledged with other cities on the hard work done gaining attention and presenting US2 traffic issues and ways to address it; councilmembers delivered welcome packets to new citizens over the weekend and will continue that work moving forward; Sultan Shindig set for July 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>; City has five temporary employees and one full time employee as follows: three seasonal public works staff, two temporary community engagement specialists; and one full time new utility billing specialist.

**STAFF REPORTS**

Written reports submitted and on file for Public Works and Police.

- 1) Police

**CONSENT AGENDA**

On a motion by Councilmember Aldrich, seconded by Councilmember Dearborn, the council approved the consent agenda to include the following items: Motion passed 7-0.

- 1) Voucher and Payroll Approval.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**AB 23-34 Resolution 23-05 the 2024-2029 Transportation Improvement Plan. (TIP)**

On a motion by Councilmember Aldrich, seconded by Councilmember Dearborn, the council approved Resolution 23-05, the 2024-2029 Transportation Improvement Plan; Motion passed 7-0.

**AB 23-46 Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB) Purchase**

On a motion by Councilmember Beeler, seconded by Councilmember Aldrich, council approved purchase two sets of rectangular rapid flashing beacons for an amount not to exceed \$20,400 which includes tax and 15% contingency without authorization; Motion passed 7-0.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Councilmember Aldrich, seconded by Councilmember Dearborn, the meeting was closed at approximately 7: 34 pm; The Zoom meeting connection was disconnected shortly thereafter.

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Tami Pevey, City Clerk

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Russell Wiita, Mayor