



OBSERVER REPORT FORM

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Name of Agency	Puyallup City Council	Date of Meeting	Aug. 18, 2020
Observer Reporting	Liz Knox	Length of Meeting	47 min.
Members Present	Council Members Mayor Julie Door, Jim Kastama, Ned Witting, Robin Farris, Deputy Mayor John Palmer, Cyndy Jacobsen, Dean Johnson.		
Others Present	Parks and Recs Director Sarah Harris, City Manager Kierkle		

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Called to order at 6:30

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ROLL CALL

- 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA *Approved***
- 2. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES *Approved***

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

No Comments via e-mail.

A comment via Zoom: The Puyallup Eagles expressed appreciation for the removal of a traffic impact fee. There is a concern about fees and the Eagles will be appealing these with Sound Transit.

CONSENT AGENDA: (All Approved)

- 3.a Accept the work completed by Musco Sports Lighting, LLC. for the Puyallup Valley Sports Lighting Complex project
- 3.b Accept a grant from Washington State Military Department in the amount of \$7,809.00 as a supplement to the Emergency Management Performance Grant relating to Covid-19 response.
- 3.c Approve a 3-year contract, in a form as approved by the City Attorney, with SirsiDynix for Integrated Library System software and associated services in the amount of \$150,274.00.
- 3.d Approve a contract with RS Underground, Inc. for the construction of the Van Lierop Trail Crossing project, in the amount of \$63,423.36
- 3.e Approve an amendment to the contract with Brown and Caldwell in the amount of \$120,371.00 for the Design and Construction Management of the Corporate Yards Decant Facility project.
- 3.f Approve the 2020-2022 City of Puyallup and Puyallup Police Association – Support Services (PPA-SS) Collective Bargaining Agreement
- 3.g Acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$85,000 from the National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) and Niagara Bottling Co. for the purchase and installation of an outdoor fitness area at the Puyallup Valley Sports Complex

Councilmember Palmer requested removing of item 3g from the Consent agenda. Sarah Harris presented information about an outdoor fit station in one of the parks donated by the Niagara Bottling Company. Originally it was suggested for the Sports Center, but there will be further discussion of which park. Councilmember Kastama suggested a downtown location because there are a lot of people who run downtown. There were a variety of other suggestions, including Bradley Lake, Wildwood, Clark's Creek North, Van Leirop Park, Grayland and downtown. Councilmember Palmer was concerned about the distance for most people to the Sports Center. Sarah Harris said that there is increased use of the Loop Trail and it would enhance the Bradley Park. She felt that the downtown urban area would also be a good choice. She also asked that a decision be made tonight.

Mayor Door asked for a motion regarding the location of the fitness station. CM Jacobsen moved to have the fitness station located in Clarks Creek North. The motion passed 4-3.

6. 3.h Approve accounts payable, payroll, and electronic fund transfers of \$6,597,980.15.

4. **ORDINANCES**

4.a Second reading of an ordinance allowing temporary signs on street corners, except in curb extension planting strips in downtown. *A motion to approve this project was discussed regarding the size of signage. This motion passed 6-1.*

4.b First reading of an ordinance amending Puyallup Municipal Code Chapters 5.08 Business and Occupation Taxes and 5.10 Business and Occupation Taxes pertaining to processing of utility tax payments. *The City Attorney reported that this ordinance involves utility taxes. This is intended to 'clean up' the billing and collection of these taxes. A motion was made to approve the first reading of this ordinance. The motion passed 7-0.*

5. **OTHER BUSINESS**

CITY MANAGER'S & COUNCIL REPORTS

Nothing from the City Manager this evening.

Councilmember Farris reported that citizens in Puyallup are getting flyers saying that the property taxes have increased by 20% among other things and these flyers are false. She reported that these flyers were sent out by two Political Action Committees. If this were fair, the flyer wouldn't be accusing one member of the council and not another, both of whom are running for state offices. She has sent a complaint to the Public Disclosure Committee. The Mayor asked the City Attorney to send a letter to the Council members to help clarify this issue.

Councilmember Johnson voiced support for households that may be under water during this difficult time. He encouraged freedom of speech and religion.

Councilmember Jacobson echoed CM Johnson's remarks. She thanked the Mayor for the Zoom meeting.

Councilmember Witting had no comments.

Councilmember Kastama recommended that Council Members not bring political campaign issues into the Council meetings. He shared something he described as disheartening. He saw an incident where someone painted a derogatory message about police in front of an officer's home. He emphasized that mutual respect is important.

Mayor Door shared that she had talked with the City Attorney regarding campaign issues and wants him to send a letter to the Council to clarify discussion of these topics during council meetings.

Councilmember Parker shared that the lights at the Sports Center look great.

MAYOR'S REPORT*Mayor Door shared that the New Emergency Center is up and running as of today. There will be at least an \$86,000 increase in the amount due to the city and will need to be re-directed to South Sound 911. CM Witting asked about the future of the Fire Station on Shaw Road. Mayor Door shared that at this time, the City is planning to keep that building and there will be more information at a future board meeting.*

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Litigation ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned into executive session at 7:17pm.

Process and Protocol:

Characteristic	Yes	No	Comments/Explanations
Did members appear to have done their "homework"?	X		
Was material for the meeting made available to the public in advance?	X		
Were members courteous to each other and the public?	X		
How did the group respond to your presence?	No Response		
Other factors worth noting:			