

OBSERVER REPORT FORM

University Place City Council Regular Meeting

Date: 5/3/2021

Name of Observer: Kresha Warnock

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Carolyn Belleci, Mayor; Steve Worthington, Mayor Pro Tem; Javier Figueroa, Council Member; Kent Keel, Council Member; Ken Grassi, Council Member; Howard Lee, Council Member, Pro Tem; Denise McCluskey, Council Member; Stan Flemming, Council Member.

Others present: Steve Carmody, Pierce County Library; City Manager, Steve Sugg, Matt Kazer, City Attorney

PRESENTATION

Pierce County Library System's 75th Diamond Anniversary Proclamation

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None had been submitted by email prior to the 5:30 p.m. deadline.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Approve or Amend the Consent Agenda as Proposed (Moved and seconded-approved)

The Consent Agenda consists of items considered routine or have been previously studied and discussed by Council and for which staff recommendation has been prepared. A Council-member may request that an item be removed for the Consent Agenda so that the Council may consider the item separately. Items on the Consent Agenda are voted upon as one block and approved with one vote.

- Approve the minutes of the April 19, 2021 Council meeting as submitted.
- Receive and File: Payroll for period ending 04/15/21; and Claims dated 03/31/21 and 04/15/21.
- Adopt a Resolution appointing Kevin Briske to the Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Utilities District Board of Directors through December 31, 2022.
- Adopt a Resolution requesting an agreement with area stakeholders establishing the Four Corners Planning Area in preparation for future development.

CITY MANAGER & COUNCIL COMMENTS/REPORTS –

- Matt Kazer, City Attorney, brought the information that the Pierce County Council is planning to take action tomorrow on hazard pay for grocery workers in both incorporated and unincorporated areas of Pierce County. Kaiser asked Council to draft letter of the City opinion on the issue, specifically as it deals with the authority of the County Council to make official policy for incorporated areas. Each member of the Council spoke and was adamantly opposed to the County Council initiating legal requirements for incorporated areas. The members felt that the County

Council was overstepping its bounds, and they asked the City Attorney where this perceived authority came from. He cited one 1972 case but seemed to indicate that it was not a strong precedent. Kazer will draft a letter in morning with Mayor's signature *strongly* (emphasis theirs) rejecting such authority over University Place. The Mayor will also call the County Council, as will Council Member Keel.

- City Manager Sugg also reported he is meeting weekly with the vaccination task force... both public and private sector are working to get as many vaccination rates up, and, in fact, they did kick up last week.

Council Member Comments:

- McClusky – Attended National Yard Care session on Container gardening.
- Mayor Belleci attended a public (Zoom Meeting) in which the GGLO (Design Firm) presented plans for upgrading Homestead Park. She felt it was a good presentation, but is concerned that if we don't open public meetings soon, we will lose much citizen participation.

STUDY SESSION –

UPMC TITLE 23 TELECOMMUNICATION AMENDMENTS

Planning Director David Swindell presented a PowerPoint on revisions to UPMC Title 23 which will enable the city to develop small wireless communications facilities to provide access to 5G networks. About 12 are needed around the city to provide universal access at this point, and franchises will be making bids on setting them up. Title 23 defines the procedure for determining bids and sets standards.

Planners incorporated in section Wireless Communications Facilities for Persons and Government. Talking about Small Wireless Facility Options. (See below)



5G rollout requires a much more dense system of smaller facilities. Small cell mounted on structures of 50 feet or less, cannot be 10% higher than any adjacent structure, each antenna no more than 28 cubic feet in volume, etc. Built-in networks designed to provide wireless service. Range of 6000 feet between towers. Full network in city with 12 antennae. Need to develop franchise agreements, right of way permits, the application and review process. There are design zones and city parks and city facilities. Four possible types of structures as above which are used to mount.

Discussion of details of the issues are included in the attached Council materials, starting at page 29:

http://cityofup.com/sites/default/files/pdfs/City_Clerk/CouncilMeetingPackets/2021/05-03-21%20RM.pdf

The matter will be voted on at a later meeting.

The Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.