

CITY OF STANWOOD
Regular Meeting of the City Council
Thursday, July 27, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.
In-Person & Zoom Online Meeting
MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Roberts called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember Robb led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

City Planner Schroeder, standing in for the City Clerk, called the roll with the following Councilmembers Present: Dani Gaumont, Marcus Metz, Darren Robb, Tim Pearce, Steve Shepro, Andreena Bergman, and Tim Schmitt. The meeting was quorate.

Also present: City Administrator Shawn Smith, Community Development Director Patricia Love, Finance Director David Hammond, City Attorney Nikki Thompson, City Planner Tansy Schroeder, Economic Development and Marketing Manager Sarah Cho, Carly Ruacho Parks Planning Manager, Associate Planner Audrey Rotrock, Chief of Police Jason Toner, Fire Chief John Cermak, Public Works Lead Kevin Pellham.

3. Approval of the Agenda

*Motion by Councilmember Metz, second by Councilmember Pearce to approve the agenda as published. **Motion carried unanimously.***

4. Presentations - none

5. Public Comments - none

6. Staff / Department Reports

Parks Team Update – First Year Report

- Parks Planning Manager Ruacho gave an update on what the Parks Team has accomplished in their first year, and what projects are yet to come.
 - Councilmembers congratulated the Parks Team for a job well done.

7. Council Committee Reports

- a. Community Development Committee Meeting Minutes – July 7, 2023
- b. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – June 12, 2023
- c. Parks and Trails Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – June 20, 2023
- d. Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes – July 13, 2023

8. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Vouchers and Payroll Checks
- b. Approve City Council Regular Meeting Minutes – July 13, 2023

*Motion by Councilmember Robb, second by Councilmember Gaumond to approve the consent agenda items A and B. **Motion carried unanimously.***

9. Unfinished Business

Storefront Improvement Program (SIP) Amendments

- Economic Development and Marketing Manager Cho gave an update on potential amendments to the Storefront Improvement Program (SIP).
 - The Councilmembers were pleased with the success of the SIP and the recommendations.

*Motion by Councilmember Metz, second by Councilmember Robb to approve the amendments as published. **Motion carried unanimously***

10. Public Hearing - None

11. New Business

- a. 72nd Avenue Property Surplus Resolution #2023-11

Community Development Director Patricia Love described that surplus of the property on 72nd Avenue NW is the first step in moving forward to a sale agreement.

*Motion by Councilmember Pearce, second by Councilmember Shepro to authorize the Mayor to sign Resolution 2023-11 to surplus City owned property on 72nd Avenue NW. **Motion carried unanimously.***

- b. Country Store Street Vacation Resolution #2023-12

City Planner Schroeder explained that the Country Store has requested a street vacation to eliminate old, unused right-of-way that runs through their parking lot, and will dedicate the roadway along the eastern and northern boundaries of their property. The purpose of this agenda item is to set a public hearing date of September 14, 2023, for that dedication.

*Motion by Councilmember Metz, second by Councilmember Pearce to pass Resolution 2023-12, setting a Public Hearing Date of September 14, 2023, to vacate a portion of an alleyway located north of 271st Street NW between 88th Avenue NW and 90th Avenue NW. **Motion carried unanimously.***

- c. Solid Waste Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with Snohomish County

City Administrator Smith explained that the current ILA is set to expire at the end of 2023. This new ILA will be directly between Stanwood and the county, rather than including all Snohomish County cities, which will be easier to administer.

*Motion by Councilmember Shepro, second by Councilmember Gaumond to authorize the Mayor to sign an Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish County for Solid Waste Management. **Motion carried unanimously.***

12. Public Closing Comments – None

13. Executive/Legislative Reports

a. Mayor's Report

- As of July 13th, Heritage Park has new Pickleball courts and an updated skate park.
- The City of Stanwood Arch was completed on July 26th.
- A "Push-In" ceremony will be happening at Fire Station 99 on July 28th of their new ambulance that was made possible by a city contribution of \$150,000.
- The sidewalk construction on 80th Avenue NW has begun.
- The Mayor was impressed by a tour of Volunteers of America in Arlington this week.
- Next council meeting is on August 10th preceded by a workshop starting at 5:00pm.

b. City Administrator Report

- Striping near the bowling alley happens on July 28th and that will conclude the sidewalk project there.
- The Hamilton Landing construction project starts next week.
- The City of Stanwood arch will get power next week.
- Met with the Port of Everett to discuss the expansion of Port boundaries to all of Snohomish County.
- National Night Out is next Tuesday.
- The fair is August 4th – 6th.
- The parade will be on their usual route next Saturday.

c. Councilmember's Report/Questions

- Why has the 92nd Avenue and 271st Street project gone on longer than expected? *There have been multiple issues encountered during this project, but the drainage and stormwater issue is what has slowed the project down the most.*
- Will there be a banner hung on the new arch for the fair? *There will likely be a banner for the fair in future years, but the City has not received any permits for one this year.*
- Councilmembers are happy with all the progress of projects around the City. Councilmembers Pearce and Robb have both bought Pickleball paddles.
- When will Viking Way be continued to 92nd Avenue? *Surplus of the property by PUD will happen in September.. The first step will be to pre-load the site with dirt so it can settle (for about six months). The contract will go out for bid in November or December, with completion of the project next spring.*

14. Recess to Executive Session: - None

15. Adjourn

There being no further business before the Council, and hearing no objection to adjournment, Mayor Roberts adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

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Tim Pearce, Mayor Pro Tempore

ATTEST:


Lisa Sokolik, City Clerk