

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Pro Tempore Denny Waltier called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmembers David M. Viafore, Shannon Reynolds, Brett Wittner, and Blake Surina. Mayor Hunter T. George and Councilmember Jamie Nixon were absent and excused.

PRESIDING OFFICER’S REPORT

Waltier welcomed Matt Ennis, the attorney present in lieu of City Attorney Mike Smith.

A. Community Center and Pool Project

Parks and Recreation Director Grover reminded Council of the February 27, 2019 Steering Committee meeting, stating ARC Architects would be presenting interior options and fine tuning design elements. Grover reported that he and City Manager Pingel discussed the development of public education materials of the project with a sub-consultant of ARC. Reynolds and Wittner indicated they would be absent from the February 27, 2019 Steering Committee and requested meeting notes be shared. Viafore indicated there was a possibility he too would be absent and inquired if there would be a presentation during the March 12, 2019 Council meeting; Pingel confirmed there would be a presentation.

CITIZEN COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Waltier invited public comment; none were provided.

COMMITTEE, COMMISSION, AND LIAISON REPORTS**A. Parks and Recreation**

Waltier commented on the 2018 community events report, and reported that a new Fircrest Park sign would be installed soon and that the postcard mailing for the March 6, 2019 public meeting would be mailed on time.

B. Pierce County Regional Council

Reynolds reported that Pierce County Regional Council did not meet and would resume meeting in March. Reynolds reported that she anticipated the 2019 AWC Board of Directors recruitment would be discussed at the upcoming meeting and would share with Council of any updates.

C. Public Safety, Courts

Surina reported on long-term planning and revisiting the bicycle patrol program for events, and commented on safety apparel, domestic violence training, the future of the public safety building, and meeting with King County police chiefs.

D. Street, Water, Sewer, and Storm Drain

As Nixon was absent, no report was provided.

E. Other Liaison Reports

There were none.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Waltier requested the City Clerk read the Consent Calendar as follows: approval of Voucher No. 212613 through Voucher Check No. 212660 in the amount of \$292,155.87; approval of Payroll Check No. 13570 through Payroll Check No. 13574 in the amount of \$111,775.65; approval of the January 29, 2019 City Council/Planning Commission joint meeting minutes; approval of the February 12, 2019 Council regular meeting minutes; approval of the Fircrest Golf Club liquor license renewal, and approval of the Pint Defiance liquor license renewal. **Reynolds MOVED to approve the Consent Calendar as read; seconded by Wittner. The Motion Carried (5-0).**

PUBLIC HEARING

None scheduled.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS**A. Ordinance No. 1632: MCImetro Franchise Agreement**

Viafore **MOVED to untangle Ordinance No. 1632; seconded by Surina. The Motion Carried (5-0).** Pingel briefed the Council on the proposed franchise agreement with MCImetro, referring to fiber densification plan maps that MCImetro provided showing the location of the anticipated work. Waltier invited councilmember comment; Viafore and Reynolds inquired on what the benefits would be to the City by granting this franchise and commented on the absence of a company representative. Waltier invited public comment; there were none. **The Motion made at the February 12, 2019 regular Council meeting from Reynolds to adopt Ordinance No. 1632, granting a twenty-year franchise to MCImetro Access Transmission Service Corp., d/b/a Verizon Access Transmission Services, to provide a telecommunications system within the City of Fircrest, seconded by Nixon Carried (5-0).**

NEW BUSINESS**A. City Manager Salary Adjustment**

Viafore briefed the Council on the City Manager salary adjustment, stating the Council recently completed the City Manager evaluation and recommended adjusting his salary to the next salary step per the contract. **Viafore MOVED to adjust the City Manager's salary to Step D per the current City Manager salary range effective January 1, 2019; seconded by Reynolds.** Waltier invited councilmember comment; there were none. Waltier invited public comment; there were none. **The Motion Carried (5-0).**

B. Proposed Solid Waste Rate Adjustment

Pingel briefed the Council on the proposed solid waste adjustment, stating the adjustment was consistent with the contract and that a public hearing was held on February 12, 2019. **Reynolds MOVED to adopt Ordinance No. 1634, amending Ordinance No. 1613 and Fircrest Municipal Code 6.08.130 relating to the schedule of rates and charges for solid waste collection; seconded by Surina.** Waltier invited councilmember comment; there was none. Waltier invited public comment; Neil Holden, Westside Disposal, requested the City to consider the recycling commodity surcharge request. After a brief discussion, Reynolds and Wittner indicated they could consider the request at a future meeting with the full council. **The Motion Carried (5-0).**

C. Combined Communications Network

Pingel briefed the Council on the proposed System Access and Use agreement with the Pierce Transit-Pierce County, stating the agreement describes the access to approved mobile and portable radios and associated approved equipment. Police Chief Cheesman commented on the benefits of the agreement, stating the agreement would allow for interoperability with other agencies. **Reynolds MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 1577, authorizing the City Manager to execute a System Access and Use Agreement between Pierce Transit-Pierce County Combined Communications Network and the City of Fircrest; seconded by Surina.** Waltier invited councilmember comment; Reynolds commented in support of the agreement. Waltier invited public comment; none were provided. **The Motion Carried (5-0).**

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

Pingel reminded the Council of the February 27, 2019 Steering Committee special meeting and of the March 6, 2019 public meeting.

DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS

- Chief Cheesman commented on upcoming events, which included the March 7, 2019 Hoops for Heroes and the March 9, 2019 Polar Plunge.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

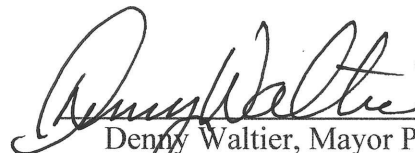
- Viafore commented on the P-1 report on the Daddy Daughter event and cautioned against raising the fee if there was a net profit. Wittner inquired there were any objections to raising the non-resident fee by \$5; there were none. Grover reported that the Daddy Daughter dance registration was open for all at the same time.
- Reynolds provided no comments.
- Wittner thanked the audience for their attendance and apologized for his absence for the February 27, 2019 Steering Committee meeting.
- Surina provided no comments.
- Waltier provided no comments.


EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

Viafore MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 P.M., seconded by Reynolds. The Motion Carried (5-0).


Denny Waltier, Mayor Pro Tempore


Jessica Nappi, City Clerk