

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Hunter T. George called the regular meeting to order at 7:01 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmembers David M. Viafore, Shannon Reynolds, Brett Wittner, Denny Waltier, Blake Surina, and Jamie Nixon were present.

PRESIDING OFFICER’S REPORT

A. Community Center and Pool Project

ARC Architects Emily Wheeler continued her presentation from the May 14, 2019 6:30 P.M. special meeting and there was a brief discussion on the community center and pool project, which included the basketball hoop and volley ball locations, fencing along the Contra Costa Avenue, bid protections, and bid alternates for parking, fencing, flooring, and water features. Waltier departed at 7:03 P.M. and returned at 7:05 P.M. ARC Architects Emily Wheeler stated the estimated construction costs increased from \$4.9 million to \$5.1 million, which included the addition of the parking lot, stainless kitchen, and markups. Council requested engineer estimates, the detailed cost breakdown for the pool, and a detailed landscaping report, and bathhouse project. Wheeler indicated the costs would be shared soon after the design team confirmed the engineer estimates. There was additional discussion on the decorative tile around the pool, signage, linoleum versus polished cement flooring, faucet alternates, locker room wall tiles, party room heating and ventilation, and landscaping. George indicated that the May 20, 2019 Council study session would include more information to continue the community center and pool discussion.

Reynolds requested a five minute recess; George called a five minute recess at 7:51 P.M. The Council reconvened at 7:57 P.M.

B. May 28, 2019 Regular Meeting: Mayor Pro Tempore

In preparation for the anticipated absence of Mayor George and Mayor Pro Tempore Waltier at the May 28, 2019 regular Council meeting, George invited volunteers to preside at the May 28th meeting. Reynolds volunteered and Wittner nominated Councilmember Viafore. After a brief discussion, **Wittner MOVED to appoint Councilmember Viafore to serve as Mayor Pro Tempore at the May 28, 2019 regular Council meeting; seconded by Reynolds.** George invited councilmember comment; none were provided. George invited public comment; none were provided. **The Motion Carried (7-0).**

CITIZEN COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

George invited public comment; Alison Clifton, 1030 Bel Air Court, Fircrest, and Ruth Schlattmann, 4810 52 Avenue Court W, University Place, commented on the May 18, 2019 Color Run event, invited Council to attend, and thanked the City for their support. Council thanked the Whittier Elementary PTA for their partnership and their efforts.

COMMITTEE, COMMISSION, AND LIAISON REPORTS

A. Administration

Reynolds reported that staff was working on a continuity of operations plan and processing Parks and Recreation summer hires, and commented on the Civil Service Commission vacancy.

B. Environment, Planning and Building

Wittner commented on the progress of the condominium project, home remodels, and Planning and Building Administrator’s upcoming vacation leave.

C. Finance, IT, Facilities

Viafore reported that staff submitted State reports and that staff was receiving bids for the bullet-proof glass, and commended that REET was significantly declining due to the real estate market, Court revenues were above normal, and investments were performing well. George inquired on any impacts to the City from recent legislative changes to REET; City Manager Pingel indicated those changes impacted the State’s portion only.

D. Other Liaison Reports

George commented that the May and June meetings of the mayor’s forum on affordable housing were canceled due to schedule conflicts.

CONSENT CALENDAR

George requested the City Clerk read the Consent Calendar as follows: approval of Voucher No. 212944 through Voucher Check No. 213035 in the amount of \$569,734.32; approval of Payroll Check No. 13622 through Payroll Check No. 13627 in the amount of \$109,404.32; approval of Payroll Check No. 13627 through Payroll Check No. 13630 in the amount of \$7,860.85; approval of Payroll Check No. 13631 through Payroll Check No. 13637 in the amount of \$91,893.78; approval of Payroll Check No. 13638 through Payroll Check No. 13641 in the amount of \$105,753.25; approval of the April 23, 2019 City Council regular minutes; and setting a public hearing on May 28, 2019 to receive comments on the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program. **Reynolds MOVED to approve the Consent Calendar as read; seconded by Wittner. The Motion Carried (7-0).**

PUBLIC HEARING

None scheduled.

OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

George moved New Business item E Greater Tacoma Community Foundation Agreement to be considered first.

E. Greater Tacoma Community Foundation Agreement

Pingel briefed the Council on the Fund Agreement with the Greater Tacoma Community Foundation, which would authorize them to accept donations on behalf of the City for the community center and pool project, and introduced Linda Kaye Briggs who briefed the Council on the benefits of this partnership. There was a brief discussion on State code compliance, investment proceeds, and Finance Director involvement. **Wittner MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 1582, authorizing the City Manager to execute the Universal Fund Agreement and Fund Agreement Addendum with the Greater Tacoma Community Foundation to hold and distribute capital campaign funds for and to the City of Fircrest; seconded by Surina.** George invited councilmember comment; Viafore inquired if the

Finance Director was in accord with the agreement, Pingel confirmed. George invited public comment; none were provided. **The Motion Carried (7-0).**

A. Fircrest Soccer Club Field Use Agreement

Parks and Recreation Director Grover briefed the Council on the revised agreement between the Fircrest Soccer Club and the City of Fircrest, stating the modified agreement included language to make the agreement automatically renewable unless the City or Soccer Club wanted to make changes to the agreement and that if the City chose to revise the fees, those revisions would be brought back to the Council for consideration. **Wittner MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 1583, authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement between the Fircrest Soccer Club and the City of Fircrest for the use of Fircrest and Whittier Park Soccer Fields from July through December 2019; seconded by Nixon.** George invited councilmember comment; Viafore commented on his concerns regarding state audits, requiring roster documentation, and revenue collection. Pingel indicated the Department would request the roster documentation and if that was not possible, he would bring forth a contract amendment. Waltier commented on reviewing how the City collects resident and non-resident fees. George invited public comment; none were provided. **The Motion Carried (7-0).**

B. Fun Days Vendors and Entertainers Agreements

Grover briefed the Council on the proposed resolution that would provide control of expenditures and provide flexibility for performers at the 2019 Fun Days event. **Wittner MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 1584, authorizing the City Manager to execute agreements with vendors and entertainers for 2019 Fun Days not to exceed \$10,200; seconded by Reynolds.** George invited councilmember comment; George commented on the event components and praised the Community Events Coordinator's efforts. George invited public comment; none were provided. **The Motion Carried (7-0).**

C. AWC Employer Master Participation Agreement – Vision Plan

Pingel briefed the Council on the proposed resolution that would authorize an amendment to the Employer Master Participation Agreement with the Association of Washington Cities to include the zero dollar copay Vision Services Plan for City of Fircrest bargaining employees and their families, and on the Police Guild Memorandum of Agreement. **Reynolds MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 1585, authorizing the City Manager to amend the agreement with the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Employee Benefit Trust for the AWC Employer Master Participation Agreement to include the zero dollar copay Vision Services Plan for bargaining employees; seconded by Nixon.** George invited councilmember comment; Viafore inquired about who authored the Police Guild Memorandum of Agreement. Pingel indicated it was the City's Labor Attorney, John Lee. Viafore commented on his concerns regarding the July 1, 2019 effective date and Council being informed; Pingel indicated it could be effective July 1, 2019 or as soon as practical. George invited public comment; none were provided. **The Motion Carried (7-0).**

D. Amendments to FMC Chapter 2.44 Personnel System

Pingel briefed the Council on the proposed ordinance that would update Fircrest Municipal Code Chapter 2.44 Personnel System, which included updates to life insurance, holidays,

travel expenses, vision, vacation leave, and sick leave. Pingel indicated with the approval of this ordinance, the recently approved Personnel Policies and Procedures manual would be in compliance with the Fircrest Municipal Code. **Reynolds MOVED to adopt Ordinance No. 1636, amending Ordinance No. 1241 Section 2 and FMC 2.44.130 relating to Life Insurance; Ordinance No. 1241 Section 3 and FMC 2.44.150 relating to Holidays; Ordinance No. 1241 Section 4 and FMC 2.44.180 relating to Travel Expenses; Ordinance No. 1581 Section 1 and FMC 2.44.120 relating to Vision and Hearing Care; Ordinance No. 1251 Section 1 and FMC 2.44.160 relating to Vacations; and Ordinance No. 1155 Section 9 and FMC 2.44.170 relating to Sick Leave; seconded by Wittner.** George invited councilmember comment; Viafore inquired about the life insurance policy amount and vision benefits. Reynolds called attention to a Scribner’s error in the motion, which omitted “FMC” from “... Ordinance No. 1251 Section 1 and 2.44.160 relating to Vacations...” George invited public comment; none were provided. **The Motion Carried (7-0).**

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

Pingel reported that he communicated to Westside Disposal regarding Council’s intent to not approve the recycling commodity surcharge but rather the Council’s willingness to open the contract and negotiate for it. Pingel requested clarification from Council on how to proceed regarding negotiating with Westside Disposal or to go out to bid and obtain proposals. After a brief discussion, there was a general consensus to obtain a proposal from Westside Disposal to determine what was in the best interest of the City.

Pingel reported that the Whittier Irrigation project was put out to bid with a project cost of \$40,000 and that the City received only one bid with an adjusted bid of \$62,000 to include prevailing wages. After a brief discussion on how to proceed, there was a general consensus to move forward with the extra cost due to the importance of the project and to add the contract to the May 20, 2019 Council study session for action.

DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS

- Public Works Director Wakefield reported on the High Tank painting project progress, indicating the project would be weather dependent and completed within a 60-day window, and that the tank color would be London fog. Wakefield indicated the City received the sanitary survey results from Washington State Department of Health on the City’s water system, stating there were no significant deficiencies or findings and some recommendations that staff would be working on.
- Grover reported on the successful repair of the pool liner on the steps and that staff was working on coordinating the repair for the pool liner tear in the deep end of the pool. Grover indicated that due to these repairs, the opening date for the pool of May 25, 2019 would most likely be affected and would communicate if the opening date was delayed. There was a brief discussion on the innovation solution to the pool liner repair and Council requested to be informed of the pool status.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

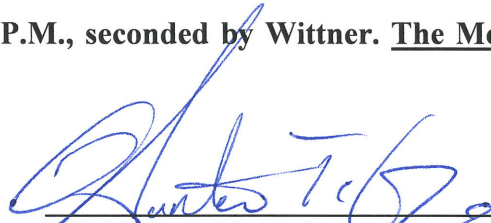
- Councilmembers Nixon, Surina, Waltier, Wittner, and Reynolds had no comment.
- Viafore requested to postpone the Executive Session item on the performance of a public employee to a future meeting, and commented on his concerns regarding staying within budget on the pool project and requested all the steering committee meeting notes. Viafore commented on his concerns regarding the Town Topics spelling errors, trees on Emerson Street, and traffic pavement stencils.
- George thanked the audience for their attendance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

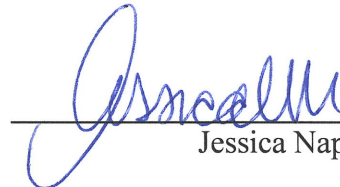
George requested to postpone the performance of a public employee to the second meeting of June; there were no objections.

ADJOURNMENT

Reynolds MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 P.M., seconded by Wittner. The Motion Carried (7-0).



Hunter T. George, Mayor



Jessica Nappi, City Clerk