

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Hunter T. George called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence for former Councilmember Donald McClain. Councilmembers David M. Viafore, Shannon Reynolds, Brett Wittner, Hunter T. George, Joe Barrentine, Denny Waltier, and Jamie Nixon were present.

PRESIDING OFFICER'S REPORT

A. Planning Commission Appointments

George briefed the Council on the process of nominating the two candidates for the two vacancies on the Planning Commission. **George MOVED to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Andrew Imholt to the City of Fircrest Planning Commission effective March 1, 2020 through June 15, 2023; seconded by Wittner.** George invited councilmember comment; there was none. George invited public comment; there was none. **The Motion Carried (7-0).**

George MOVED to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Ben Ferguson to the City of Fircrest Planning Commission effective March 1, 2020 through June 15, 2021; seconded by Viafore. George invited councilmember comment; there was none. George invited public comment; Mr. Rybolt expressed his support for the appointment of Mr. Imholt to the Planning Commission, however, Mr. Rybolt is concerned with the Planning Commission appointment of Mr. Ferguson and does not feel he is a qualified candidate. A brief discussion was held on the appointment process and the unanimous decision among interview attendees to appoint Mr. Ferguson to the Planning Commission. **The Motion Carried (7-0).**

B. Hunt Middle School Injection Wells

Public Works Director Wakefield reported staff received the Department of Ecology report on the Hunt Middle School Project Tuesday afternoon. Wakefield introduced the civil engineer representing Tacoma School District to answer questions on the Well Head Protection Program. Discussion was held on the type of storm system that is proposed and the steps to clean the storm water before infiltration. There was discussion on what is required from the City of Fircrest as far as a response to the proposal and when the Hunt Middle School Project was set to start construction. There is concern that Council does not have all the information and would like the Tacoma School District to answer questions at a future meeting. Mr. Dugan, representing Tacoma Public Schools, agrees that returning for a future meeting is appropriate.

C. Community Center and Pool Project

Parks and Recreation Director Grover briefed the Council on the progress of the pool and bathhouse construction project and reported that parking curbs and retaining walls will be installed soon. Grover reported there was a great turnout at the February 20, 2020 Special Meeting and staff will be meeting with ARC to discuss the Community Center functionality. There was brief discussion on the LEED Silver requirements and there was consensus to discuss the LEED Silver options at a future meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

George invited public comment; Nancy Atwood, 1204 Farallone Avenue, commented on the upcoming Arbor Day event scheduled on April 25, 2020 and Troop 216 will be in attendance. Ms. Atwood thanked the City for the support.

Waltier departed at 7:59 P.M. and returned at 8:01 P.M.

COMMITTEE, COMMISSION, AND LIAISON REPORTS

A. Parks & Recreation

Reynolds reported that due to scheduling conflicts, she planned to meet with Parks and Recreation Director Grover next week.

B. Pierce County Regional Council

Reynolds reported that she attended the February 20, 2020 meeting and the 2020 Work Plan was adopted.

C. Public Safety, Courts

Nixon reported that court is moving forward with the software pilot program and future hardware upgrades may be required.

D. Street, Water, Sewer, and Storm Drain

Wittner reported that Public Works is having an issue with the street sweeping debris disposal and Public Works Director Wakefield would be discussing the issue in depth during Department Head Comments

E. Other Liaison Reports

None were provided.

CONSENT CALENDAR

George requested the City Clerk read the Consent Calendar as follows: approval of Voucher No. 214390 through Voucher Check No. 214456 in the amount of \$1,036,156.77; approval of Payroll Check No. 13832 through Payroll Check No. 13836 in the amount of \$108,280.31; approval of the February 4, 2020 City Council/ Planning Commission Joint Meeting minutes; approval of the February 11, 2020 Regular meeting minutes as corrected; registering no objections to the Fircrest Golf Club liquor license renewal. **Reynolds MOVED to approve the Consent Calendar as read; seconded by Wittner. The Motion Carried (7-0).**

PUBLIC HEARING

No public hearing was scheduled.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution No. 1643: Land Use Attorney Professional Services Agreement

Planning and Building Administrator Stahlnecker briefed the Council on the proposed resolution that would execute a professional services agreement with Susan Elizabeth Drummond, PLLC for land use attorney services. Stahlnecker reported Ms. Drummond has over 19 years of experience and came highly recommended by her references. **Reynolds**

MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 1643, authorizing the City

Manager to execute a professional services agreement with Susan Elizabeth Drummond, PLLC for land use attorney services; seconded by Wittner. George invited councilmember comment; Viafore clarified the end date of the agreement and Waltier and George stated that the City of Fircrest will be well served by Ms. Drummond. George invited public comment; none were provided. **The Motion Carried (7-0).**

B. Resolution No. 1644: Alameda Overlay Project Consultant Agreement

Public Works Director Wakefield briefed the Council on the proposed resolution that would execute a professional services agreement with KPG, P.S. for providing final design and bid call services for the Alameda Overlay Project. Wakefield reported the services included in the contract are necessary to provide new improvement plans and is the first step in the process of utilizing the grant to complete the overlay and pavement preservation on this portion of Alameda. **Reynolds MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 1644, authorizing the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement with KPG, P.S. for providing final design and bid call services for the Alameda Overlay Project in an amount of \$68,000.00; seconded by Waltier.** George invited councilmember comment; Viafore commented that he would like to see the final design once complete and inquired about the cost of adding curbs and gutters. Wakefield reported executing this contract will start the design process. George invited public comment; none were provided. **The Motion Carried (7-0).**

C. Resolution No. 1645: Emerson Street Sidewalk Extension Project Consultant Agreement

Public Works Director Wakefield briefed the Council on the proposed resolution that would execute a professional services agreement with KPG, P.S. for providing final design and bid call services for the Emerson Sidewalk Extension Project. Wakefield reported the services included in the contract are necessary to provide new improvement plans and is the first step in the process of utilizing the grant to complete the sidewalks on this portion of Emerson and installing a controlled crosswalk. **Reynolds MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 1645 authorizing the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement with KPG, P.S. for providing final design and bid call services for the Emerson Sidewalk Extensions Project in an amount of \$56,500.00.; seconded by Wittner.** George invited councilmember comment; Viafore inquired if the crosswalk at West Mount Drive and Emerson will remain and would like to be updated on the proposed design. George invited public comment; none were provided. **The Motion Carried (7-0).**

D. Resolution No. 1645: Statewide Imagery Consortium Service Level Agreement

Planning and Building Administrator Stahlnecker briefed the Council on the proposed resolution that would execute a professional services contract with the State of Washington to utilize both web-based and hard copy GIS imagery that will be updated yearly. **Reynolds MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 1645, authorizing the City Manager to execute the service level agreement with the State of Washington Consolidated Technology Services to participate with the Statewide Imagery Consortium Group; seconded by Nixon.** George invited councilmember comment; none were provided. George invited public comment; none were provided. **The Motion Carried (7-0).**

E. End of Year 2019 Financial Report

City Manager Pingel presented the 2019 End of Year report in Ms. Corcoran's absence. Pingel gave a brief overview of the documents provided and highlighted the available cash after taking out bonds. Brief discussion was held on the streetlight fund expenditures and the upcoming Investment Committee Meeting Monday March 2, 2020 at 1:30 P.M. Viafore departed at 8:17 P.M. and returned at 8:19 P.M.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

No comments at this time.

DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS

- Wakefield reported that the Pierce County Health Department conducted an inspection of the street sweeping disposal. The Pierce County Health Department is requiring that debris be stored on a hard surface surrounded on three sides to prevent contamination. Wakefield reported the staff received three bids to complete the work. The expenditure would come from the Storm Capital Fund. A brief discussion was held regarding whether a motion from Council would be required due to the expenditure not being in the budget.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

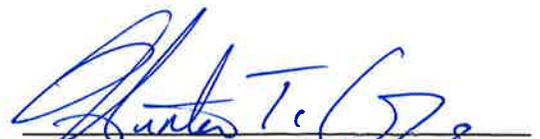
- Viafore provided a brief history of longtime resident and Councilmember Donald McClain public service history and his contribution to the City of Fircrest. Viafore expressed concerns regarding Hunt Middle School injection wells, protecting the water of the City, and thanked everyone for their patience.
- Reynolds commented on upcoming Tree City Proclamation and expressed the importance of the Tree City Program and our trees being a great asset to the City of Fircrest
- Wittner thanked everyone for their attendance and congratulated Councilmember Waltier on his recent wedding anniversary.
- Barrentine commented on his recent tour of the pool jobsite and expressed that the on-site foreman, Ian, and Parks and Recreation Director Grover were courteous and attentive. Barrentine encourages other Councilmembers to tour the jobsite.
- Waltier commented that there may be 8mm tape of the dedication of the Alice Peers Park and expressed the importance of retaining the history of the City.
- Nixon thanked the Council for their patience with his work-related absences in response to Coronavirus. And thanked everyone for their attendance.
- George commented that the February 20, 2020 meeting went great and is receiving a lot of support with fundraising and the possibility of receiving endowments. George will be touring the pool jobsite with potential donors. George expressed excitement about the work at Alice Peers Park and plans to write about it in Town Topics.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

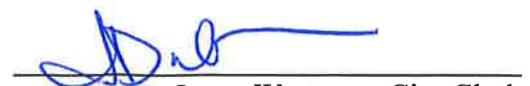
No executive session was scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT

Reynolds **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 P.M., seconded by Nixon. **The Motion Carried (7-0).**



Hunter T. George, Mayor



Jayne Westman, City Clerk