

**CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND ROLL CALL**

Mayor Brett L. Wittner called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmembers David M. Viafore, Shannon Reynolds, Hunter T. George, Nikki Bufford, and Jim Andrews were present. Councilmember Joe Barrentine was absent and excused.

**PRESIDING OFFICER’S REPORT**

There were no reports.

**CITY MANAGER COMMENTS**

There were no reports.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS**

- Public Works Director Bemis provided an update on Well House 6 and 7 and stated that there was a vehicle impact to the Well House. The Public Works Department will be keeping track of expenses.
- Interim Police Chief LaTour provided an update on the Well House incident and investigation. There was a brief discussion on the City’s point of contact list and DUI recovery cost log. Lastly, he informed the Council of a candidate’s conditional job offer.

**COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS**

- Councilmember Andrews; no comment.
- Councilmember Bufford commented on pest issues at Thelma Gilmur Park and commented on the pedestrian crosswalk safety issues.
- Councilmember George; no comment.
- Councilmember Reynolds; no comment.
- Councilmember Viafore commented on the Parks and Recreation Department P-1s.
- Mayor Wittner; no comment.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Mayor Wittner invited public comment; none were provided.

**COMMITTEE, COMMISSION, AND LIAISON REPORTS**

**A. Parks & Recreation**

There was no report.

**B. Pierce County Regional Council**

Councilmember Reynolds reported that PCRC is currently on recess for the month of August.

**C. Public Safety, Courts**

There was no report.

**D. Street, Water, Sewer, and Storm Drain**

Councilmember Bufford reported on the Electron Way crosswalk Request For Qualifications design, the City’s proposed Inflow and Infiltration (I&I) program, Advance Metering

Infrastructure (AMI) installations, and consultant interviews for the Regents Blvd. grind and overlay project.

**E. Other Liaison Reports**

There were no other reports.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Mayor Wittner requested the Acting City Clerk read the Consent Calendar:

- A. Approval of Check No. 220012 through 220084 in the amount of \$576,479.77  
Approval of payroll electronic funds transfer in the amount of \$174,760.28.
- B. Registering no objections to Sammy’s Pizza Liquor License Renewal.  
Registering no objections to Pint Defiance Liquor License Renewal.  
Registering no objections to OMG Food Mart Liquor License Renewal.
- C. Setting a public hearing on October 24, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. or shortly thereafter to receive comments on the 2024 preliminary budget.
- D. Setting a public hearing on October 24, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. or shortly thereafter to receive comments on the 2024 revenue sources.
- E. Setting a public hearing on November 14, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. or shortly thereafter to receive comments on the 2024 preliminary budget.
- F. Approval of the July 25, 2023, Regular Meeting minutes.  
Approval of the August 08, 2023, Regular Meeting minutes.

**Councilmember Bufford MOVED to approve the Consent Calendar as read; seconded by Councilmember George. The Motion Carried (6-0).**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

There was no public hearing scheduled.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Resolution No. 1843: Authorizing Execution of Letter of Understanding for Stormwater Agreements**

Councilmember George stated that he resides in an eligible Homeowners Association and asked to excuse himself to avoid any potential conflict of interest. Public Works Director Bemis reported on the proposed resolution and highlighted that the City will have the ability to provide Homeowner Associations an annual storm drain fee credit. **Councilmember Bufford MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 1843, authorizing the City Manager to execute a Letter of Understanding with the Fircrest Greens and 11th Tee Homeowners Associations (HOAs) to allow for application for an annual Storm Drain Fee Credit; seconded by Councilmember Viafore.** Mayor Wittner

invited Councilmember comment. There was a brief discussion on the commencement of the fee credits. Mayor Wittner invited public comment; none were provided. **The Motion Carried (5-0), with Councilmember George excused.**

**CALL FOR FINAL COMMENTS**

There were no final comments.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was none scheduled.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Councilmember Bufford MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 P.M.; seconded by Councilmember George. The Motion Carried (6-0).**

  
Brett L. Wittner, Mayor

  
Arlette Burkhardt, Acting City Clerk