

**TOPPENISH CITY COUNCIL**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**January 13, 2020**

Mayor Oaks called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Mark Oaks and Councilmembers Loren Belton, Naila Duval, George Garcia, Elpidia Saavedra and Blaine Thorington.  
Absent: Councilmember Clara Jiménez.  
Staff: City Manager Lance Hoyt (CM Hoyt), Administrative Services Director  
Present: Debbie Zabell (ASD Zabell), Fire Chief Tim Smith, City Clerk Heidi Riojas and Mid Valley Television Manager Judy Devall.

**PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Oaks recited the Proclamation to proclaim the week of January 20, 2020 through January 26, 2020 as Martin Luther King, Jr. Week.

**PRESENTATION BY CAMP HOPE DIRECTOR PASTOR DAVE HANSON**

Pastor Dave Hanson, Sunrise Outreach Executive Director, summarized for Council the experience his organization has with providing temporary homeless shelters in Yakima. Pastor Hanson noted that the Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic has agreed to offer its building at 508 West 1st Avenue to offer an extreme weather project for a temporary homeless shelter from January 15, 2020 to March 2, 2020. He and his staff shared with Council the safety measures with the controlled entrance and exit plan, the safety training for volunteers and the safety plan for required fire watch procedures.

Kathleen Ross, Mary Ellen Robinson, Tom Stegeman, Enedo Garza, Maria Socorro Jiménez and Fire Chief Smith spoke in support of Council approving the emergency temporary homeless shelter at 508 West 1st Avenue from January 15, 2020 to March 2, 2020.

Alex Mejia spoke against the Council approving the emergency temporary homeless shelter at 508 West 1st Avenue from January 15, 2020 to March 2, 2020.

Councilmember Belton moved, seconded by Councilmember Duval to approve a temporary homeless shelter at 508 West 1st Avenue from January 15, 2020 to March 2, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Pro Tem Thorington moved, seconded by Councilmember Saavedra to approve Consent Agenda items a through f:

- a. Approve Minutes of the December 9, 2019 Regular Council Meeting.
- b. Approve Minutes of the January 6, 2020 Study Session.
- c. Approve Payroll Checks Number 34789 through 34830 and 34842 through 34852 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$257,811.29 dated December 15, 2019 and void Checks Number 34816 through 34819 and 34822.
- d. Approve Payroll Checks Number 34831 through 34841 and 34853 through 34855 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$170,085.98 dated December 31, 2019.
- e. Approve Claims Checks Number 91286 and 91320 through 91392 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$167,804.47 dated January 9, 2020 and void Checks Number 91172 and 91286.
- f. Approve Claims Checks Number 91287 through 91319 and 91393 and electronic transfers in the total amount of \$304,278.55 dated January 13, 2020 and void Check Number 91287.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Resolution 2020-02: A Resolution Auditing Offer(s) for the Purpose of Authorizing the Issuance of Checks and Electronic Transactions for Claims Prior to the City Council's Approval.**

Councilmember Belton moved, seconded by Councilmember Duval to approve Resolution 2020-02. Motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution 2020-03: A Resolution Approving the Local Agency Agreement Supplement No. 1 With the Washington State Department of Transportation and for the Jackson Street Extension Project.**

Mayor Pro Tem Thorington moved, seconded by Councilmember Duval to approve Resolution 2020-03. Motion carried unanimously.

**Award Bid to Low Bidder for the Lincoln, Dayton, Beech Project.**

Councilmember Belton moved, seconded by Councilmember Garcia to award bid of \$1,389,964.40 for the Lincoln, Dayton, Beech Project to Tapani, Inc. Motion carried unanimously.

**Approve Architecture Fee Proposal for New Public Works Complex.**

Mayor Pro Tem Thorington moved, seconded by Councilmember Duval to approve the BORArchitecture, PLLC Fee Proposal of \$175,000 for the architectural and engineering services and \$32,000 for extra services for the New Public Works Complex. Motion carried unanimously.

**Set Agenda for the February 3, 2020 Study Session.**

It was the consensus to set the February 3, 2020 Study Session agenda to be Open Government Training to comply with RCW 42.30.205 and RCW 42.56.150 for elected officials to receive training within 90 days of taking Oath of Office or to complete refresher training every four years.

### **COUNCIL MEETING REPORTS/COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councilmember Garcia had nothing to report.

Councilmember Duval reported her attendance at a January 11 meeting to train volunteers interested in helping at the emergency homeless shelter.

Mayor Pro Tem Thorington had nothing to report.

Councilmember Saavedra had nothing to report.

Councilmember Belton had nothing to report.

Mayor Oaks had nothing to report.

### **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

CM Hoyt updated Council on the following:

- MLK Peace March on January 20, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. starting at the O'Reilly's/Dollar Store parking lot.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.



MARK OAKS, MAYOR



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