

Kelso City Council Agenda

Regular Meeting, 6:00 pm
August 4, 2015

'National Night Out'
Tam O'Shanter Park
Kelso, WA 98626



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Invocation:

Roll Call to Council Members:

1. Approve Minutes:

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2. Proclamation:

2.1. National Night Out

3. Consent Items:

4. Citizen Business:

5. Council Business:

6. Action/Motion Items:

Other Items:

- City Manager Report
- Staff/Dept Head Reports
- Council Reports
- Other Business
- Executive Session

Mayor David Futcher led the flag salute. The Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council was called to order by Mayor Futcher. Councilmembers in attendance were Jared Franklin, Gary Archer, Dan Myers, David Futcher, Todd McDaniel, Gary Schimmel, and Rick Roberson.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Schimmel, 'Approve the Minutes of the 7/07/15 Regular Meeting,' Motion carried, all voting yes.

PRESENTATIONS:

2015 Legislative Session Review: Gordon Thomas Honeywell Government Affairs Consultants Alex Soldano and Briahna Taylor provided an overview of the Washington State Legislative Session results relating to items and issues specific to the City of Kelso. They also advised on how to move forward.

Open Budget Kelso: Socrata Inc., Representatives Ankur Sharma and Ben Varon provided a presentation demonstrating the open data application.

End of Year Finance Report: Finance Director Brian Butterfield provided an overview of the City's financial highlights for 2014.

CITIZEN BUSINESS:

Patrice Bradley, 515 South 3rd Avenue, spoke about a complaint filed with the City regarding geese in her yard.

Joey A. Wardell, 306 North 19th Avenue, spoke about ideas to promote tourism in Kelso.

Nancy Nazareth, 602 Academy Street, spoke about publicity for the city council elections and about the National Alliance on Mental Illness organization.

Rod Wright, 97 Banyon Drive, He spoke about the City Manager's and City Engineer's wages.

Pathways 2020 Annual Community Report Card: Pathways 2020 Director Paul Youmans presented the Cowlitz County 2015 Community Report Card. He commented that an electronic copy is available on their website.

Tanner Waterbury, 303 South Maple Street, asked about the economic forecast for Kelso.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Auditing of Accounts: \$1,726,745.97

Upon motion by Councilmember Schimmel, seconded by Councilmember Archer, ‘Approve the Consent Agenda and the Auditing of Accounts in the amount of \$1,726,745.97,’ motion carried, all voting yes.

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

Administrative Services Agreement Addendum No. 2 – Southwest Washington

Regional Airport: Upon motion by Councilmember Roberson, seconded by Councilmember McDaniel, ‘Approve the Addendum to the Agreement.’ Councilmembers Franklin, Archer, Myers, Futcher, McDaniel, and Roberson voted yes. Councilmember Schimmel stepped away from the dais for a moment and was not present for this vote.

Nuisance Abatement Code Amendment Workshop: City Manager Taylor and City Attorney Janean Parker provided a presentation outlining the proposed changes. Lengthy discussion followed. A revised code will be brought back to Council for consideration.

MANAGER’S REPORT:

Steve Taylor: Provided an update on the public defense grant application.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 8:36 p.m., Mayor Futcher announced that the Council will convene into executive session to discuss pending litigation. The executive session is expected to last approximately 10 minutes and no action will be taken. The city attorney was present.

At 8:46 p.m., Mayor Futcher announced that the executive session will be extended 5 more minutes.

The Council reconvened into regular session at 8:53 p.m.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

With Council’s consensus, Mayor Futcher waived the reports.

There being no further business, Mayor Futcher adjourned the meeting at 8:53 p.m.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

Proclamation

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

August 4, 2015

WHEREAS, The National Association of Town Watch (NATW) is sponsoring a unique, nationwide crime, drug and violence prevention program on August 4, 2015, entitled 'National Night Out'; and

WHEREAS, "National Night Out" provides a unique opportunity for the City of Kelso to join forces with thousands of other communities across the country in promoting cooperative, police and community crime prevention efforts; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens of Kelso be aware of the importance of crime prevention programs and the positive impact that their participation can have on reducing crime and drugs in our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, neighborhood spirit and cooperation is the theme of the "National Night Out" project and plays an important role in helping the Kelso Police Department fight the war on crime and drugs in our community; and

WHEREAS, this initiative is much more than a single night, as it symbolizes a strong partnership between communities and law enforcement united in the common cause of public safety, intolerant of crime in all its forms, generating support for local anti-crime programs;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, David Fatcher, Mayor of the City of Kelso, formally declare August 4, 2015, as "National Night Out", and encourage all citizens of the City of Kelso to shine their lights and add their voices to the outcry against criminal acts that compromise the quality of life in our City.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the city of Kelso to be affixed this 4th day of August, 2015.

David Fatcher
Mayor of the City of Kelso