

Pastor Jeremy Hilton, from the Faith Center, gave the invocation. Mayor Mike Karnofski led the flag salute. Mayor Karnofski called the Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council to order. Councilmembers in attendance were Kcenan Harvey, LaDonna Page, Kim Lefebvre, Mike Karnofski, Brian Wood, and Lisa Alexander. Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Wood, 'Approve Councilmember Jim Hill's request to remotely attend the meeting via Zoom,' Councilmembers Page, Lefebvre, Karnofski, and Wood voted yes. Councilmembers Alexander and Harvey voted no. Motion passed, 4 to 2.

**Agenda Approval:** Upon motion by Councilmember Harvey, seconded by Councilmember Alexander, 'Approve the Agenda as presented.' Councilmembers Page, Alexander, Lefebvre, Karnofski, Harvey, and Wood voted yes. Due to technical difficulties, Councilmember Hill was not present at the time of the vote. Motion passed, 6 to 1.

**Minutes:** Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Alexander, 'Approve the Minutes of the August 2, 2022 Regular Meeting.' Due to technical difficulties, Councilmember Hill was not present at the time of the vote. Motion passed, 6 to 1.

At 6:07 pm, Council convened into a short recess to allow time to resolve the Zoom audio issue. At 6:08 pm, the issue was resolved and the Council reconvened back to regular session.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**Vacating a Portion of Right of Way on Minor Road along the frontage of Parcel No. 20721:** At 6:08 pm, Mayor Karnofski opened the public hearing. Community Development Director/City Engineer Mike Kardas briefed the Council on the petition for the proposed right of way vacation.

There being no comment from the public, Mayor Karnofski closed the public hearing at 6:10 pm.

**CITIZENS BUSINESS:**

Upon motion by Councilmember Harvey, seconded by Councilmember Page, 'Approve a temporary suspension of the Citizens Business General Rules of Conduct to allow time for discussion with Fire Chief Scott Neves. Motion passed, all voting yes.

**Cowlitz 2 Fire and Rescue Fire Chief Scott Neves:** Presented the Fire District 2022 Organizational Action Plan.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- Auditing of Accounts: \$2,087,942.82

Upon motion by Councilmember Harvey, seconded by Councilmember Lefebvre, 'Approve the Consent Agenda and the Auditing of Accounts in the amount of \$2,087,942.82.' Councilmember Wood commented that he was unable to perform the required second audit of the claims prior to tonight's meeting. Discussion followed. Councilmember Harvey amended his original motion, seconded by Councilmember Page, 'Approve the Auditing of Accounts in the amount of \$2,087,942.82 contingent on the audit by Councilmember Wood,' motion passed, all voting yes.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

**Southwest Washington Regional Airport (SWRA) Annual Budget Report:** Airport Manager Chris Paolini provided the proposed Airport Budget for the year 2023. Discussion followed. Upon motion by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Lefebvre, 'Adopt the 2023 Draft Budget for the SWRA as presented,' motion passed all voting yes.

**Playground Equipment for the Lads and Lassies Park Discussion:** Councilmember Alexander spoke about replacing the playground equipment at the park. Discussion followed.

**MOTION ITEMS:**

**Ordinance No. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading) Amending Chapter 9.04 of the Kelso Municipal Code relating to Enforcement of Civil Protection Orders:** The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Page, 'Pass on 1<sup>st</sup> reading, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON AMENDING CHAPTER 9.04 KMC TO AMEND SECTION 9.04.010 TO ADD SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 7.105 RCW TO THE LIST OF STATUTES ADOPTED BY REFERENCE INTO THE KELSO MUNICIPAL CODE AND DELETE REPEALED STATUTES.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

**Ordinance No. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading) Vacating a Portion of Right of Way on Minor Road along the frontage of Parcel No. 20721:** The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Lefebvre, seconded by Councilmember Page, 'Pass on 1<sup>st</sup> reading, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO VACATING A PORTION OF UNDEVELOPED RIGHT OF WAY ON MINOR ROAD ALONG THE FRONTAGE OF PARCEL # 20721.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

**Resolution No. 22-1269 Adopting Cowlitz County 2022 Hazard Mitigation Plan:**

The Deputy Clerk read the proposed resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Harvey, 'Pass Resolution No. 22-1269, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON ADOPTING THE 2022 COWLITZ COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN AS THE CITY'S NATURAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

**Resolution No. 22-1270 Amending the Master Fee Schedule:** The Deputy Clerk read the proposed resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Page, seconded by Councilmember Alexander, 'Pass Resolution No. 22-1270, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON, AMENDING SCHEDULE "A" OF THE CITY'S MASTER FEE SCHEDULE.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

**Resolution No. 22-1271 Declare Surplus of Certain City Property, KPD 2018 Ford Interceptor:** The Deputy Clerk read the proposed resolution by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Harvey, 'Pass Resolution No. 22-1271, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON, DECLARING CERTAIN PERSONAL PROPERTY OF THE CITY OF KELSO TO BE SURPLUS AND DIRECTING THE DISPOSITION THEREOF.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

### **MANAGER'S REPORT:**

**Andrew Hamilton:** Attending the meeting remotely via Zoom, he commented that, due to technical issues, he was only able to view the workshop prior to this meeting.

**Community Development Director/City Engineer Mike Kardas:** 1) Provided updates on the Oak/S. Pacific Street Project and the Tam O' Shanter Phase 3 Project. 2) At the request by Mayor Karnofski, he reported on the grant award from the Cowlitz Wahkiakum Council of Governments (CWCOG) for funding assistance toward a traffic study on the Minor Road, South Kelso Drive, and Exit 39 interchange intersection.

**Public Works Manager Devin Mackin:** 1) Provided an update on street and curb striping. 2) Spoke about projects registered with the United Way Day of Caring program. 3) Spoke about two sinkhole repair projects and other current activities in the department.

**Chief of Police Darr Kirk:** 1) Provided a staffing update. 2) Provided an update on regionalizing the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission Police Academy.

### **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

**LaDonna Page:** Spoke about the push back on the recently approved Transit Authority Board policy regarding ridership age requirements and free bus passes.

**Lisa Knight Alexander:** 1) Reported that she audited the claims. 2) Reported on the Transit Authority Board meeting she recently attended.

**Kim Lefebvre:** Spoke about the Transit Authority Board meeting she recently attended.

**Brian Wood:** 1) Commented that he will be attending the upcoming Airport Board Meeting. 2) Commented that he will audit the claims right after tonight's meeting.

**Keenan Harvey:** 1) Spoke about the recent City Employee Barbeque. 2) Spoke about upcoming meetings he will be attending.

**Jim Hill:** No report.

**Mike Karnofski:** Reported on a meeting with a representative from the Economic Development Agency (EDA), the CWCOG, City of Longview Mayor MaryAlice Wallis, and Cowlitz County Commissioner Dennis Weber regarding EDA funding.

There being no further business, Mayor Karnofski adjourned the meeting at 7:13 PM.

  
MAYOR

  
CITY CLERK