

CLARKSTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

August 11, 2014

COUNCIL:

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STAFF:

Chief Hastings Chief Cooper Clerk Storey City Attorney Grow PWD Martin

AGENDA CHANGES:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION BY NASH/KOLSTAD to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2014, Regular Meeting. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. From the Public: Nick Hasselstrom, 909 Walk Lane, pastor of His Banner Church, said he sees how detrimental drugs are to the community. His church has a recovery program that meets two nights a week. He is opposed to legalizing drugs.

Kelly Jackson, 1045 Liberty Drive, said Mr. Hasselstrom's is a church next door to his proposed business and they allow the church to use their parking lot. He said he cares about the kids too. Jackson commented that one of the grow applicants has dropped out, but still continues to grow on his own property. He stated that the Washington Attorney General has entered one of the lawsuits and will declare that entities cannot use federal law to eliminate marijuana business.

Brock Wesselman, 1385 Toby Lane, said he is a medical marijuana user. He has teenage children who live with him and have no interest in using. He said this has been mandated by the people of the state and does not want to see the money that could be generated go to other parts of the state.

B. From the Mayor:

C. From Staff:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance: Councilmember Provost reported the bills were reviewed and approved for payment. Total expenditures for August 11, 2014, of \$485,474.13. MOTION BY PROVOST/MANCHESTER to approve the bills. Motion carried.

Provost said that PWD Martin attended the meeting. Martin reported that as part of the closeout of the WWTP project a change order was approved that involved a time extension. There is a proposed addendum to the engineering contract as a result. Addendum No 7 is for \$12,800. MOTION BY PROVOST/MANCHESTER to authorize the mayor to sign the addendum. Motion carried.

Public Safety: No meeting.

Public Works: No meeting.

Admin Committee: Councilmember Manchester said committee met earlier today. PWD Martin presented the Keller addendum.

Community Development: Councilmember Beadles said committee met on August 5. Councilmember Kolstad brought up the problem with littering on the beaches south of Asotin. The Clarkston South entry project was discussed. Committee would like to see the project move forward. Also

discussed was accumulation of junk on private property. Councilmember Kolstad said committee would like to work with Asotin County and City of Asotin to try to reduce the impact of trash and broken glass on the beaches.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Ordinance No. 1527, Amend Zoning, RV Hardship Exception, 2nd Reading

Ordinance no. 1527 was read by title. MOTION BY BAUMBERGER/KOLSTAD to approve Ordinance No. 1527. Councilmember Blackmon asked what exception would allow a child to have a slumber party and use the RV for the night. Martin said the city would not prevent a use of that type on an occasional basis. Motion carried, 6-1, Blackmon opposed.

B. Ordinance No. 1528, Amend Zoning, Definitions, Matrix, Add Neighborhood Zone – 2nd Reading

Ordinance No. 1528 was read by title. MOTION BY BAUMBERGER/KOLSTAD to approve Ordinance No. 1528. Motion carried.

C. Ordinance No. 1529, Amend Zoning, Definitions & Matrix, re: Recreational Marijuana- 2nd Reading

Ordinance No. 1529 was read by title. MOTION BY BAUMBERGER/KOLSTAD to approve Ordinance No. 1529. Councilmember Beadles said the Kelly Jackson sent an email to the councilmembers pointing out some of the good things about marijuana. Beadles said he did some research on the harmful aspects. He is concerned that it will become more easily available to children. He said it is intoxicating. The small amount of revenue that will be generated will not offset the cost. He also commented that the effect of smoke on the lungs is detrimental.

Councilmember Nash asked if a person could vote in favor of an ordinance and then later bring it back and change his vote. City Attorney Grow said laws are changed all the time but it can be difficult to retrain people. Grow said Robert's Rules say that only a person who voted on the prevailing side can bring it back for reconsideration.

Councilmember Provost said he has concerns about the legalization of marijuana. He said besides smoking there are other ways to ingest marijuana that can have higher content. He is concerned with children having access to marijuana, especially in edible forms. He doesn't see any benefit to recreational marijuana. He said he is not opposed to medical marijuana. Provost said the city will only receive a minimal amount of money from marijuana sales.

Councilmember Nash said he is in favor of medical marijuana, but recreational marijuana scares him.

Councilmember Baumberger said council is here to discuss how to adapt our zoning regulations to the state regulations. Provost said this is the first step of approval and if it is allowed in zoning he doesn't see how you then prohibit it.

Councilmember Kolstad said council is not here to vote on I-502. It has already passed. He said when the moratorium was renewed, the Planning Commission was asked to make a zoning recommendation and that is what is before the council. Councilmember Provost asked Kolstad if he is in a position to benefit from the approval of marijuana sales. Kolstad said he is not. He said supporting the legalized sale of marijuana does not necessarily mean a person is in favor of it.

Vote was taken by roll call. Motion failed, 4-2-1; Baumberger and Manchester in favor; Beadles, Blackmon, Nash and Provost opposed; Mayor Warren said that Kolstad was abstaining.

D. Ordinance No. 1530, Budget Amendment – 2nd Reading

Ordinance No. 1530 was read by title. MOTION BY BAUMBERGER/BLACKMON to approve Ordinance No. 1530. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilmember Beadles commented that he attended National Night Out. He said it was well attended and appreciates the work that goes into it.

MEDIA QUESTIONS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Negotiations

Council went into executive session at 7:35 p.m. to discuss union negotiations. Session is expected to last about 20 minutes with no decision to be made as a result. Council returned to open session at 7:55.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:55p.m.

Vickie Storey, City Clerk

Kathleen A. Warren, Mayor

Total Fund Expenditures, 8/11/14	CK #57139-57213	\$200,435.45
Payroll, 7/31/14	Ck #57086-57138	\$285,038.68