



**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2021
HELD REMOTELY**

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Prior to the invocation, Mayor Kaminskas reviewed the logistics for this evening's meeting which, per Governor Inslee's Order 20-25.12, dated January 11, 2021, was being held remotely. Invocation then took place.

INVOCATION – Given by Mayor Kaminskas.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Mayor Kaminskas, City Council, and City Staff.

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Kaminskas called the special meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

City officials who attended the meeting via Zoom: Mayor Kaminskas, Mayor Pro Tem Kennedy, Councilmembers Langford, Folyer, Garcia, Kurtz, Dunne and Severs, City Administrator Katy Allen, Kyle Dixon, Finance Director, Damon Simmons, Chief of Police, Jennifer Camp, Operations & Maintenance Director, Lisa Key, Director of Planning & Engineering, Trevor Ragan, Crew Lead, Stephen Williams, Crew Lead, Kelsey Wright, City Clerk, and City Attorney Sean Boutz. Councilmember Langford left the meeting at 8:28 p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Mayor Pro Tem Kennedy moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by Councilmember Kurtz. Councilmember Severs moved to remove the Code of Ethics of Workshop, seconded by Councilmember Folyer. After brief discussion, Mayor Kaminskas called for a vote. The motion to amend the agenda failed to carry, 2-5; Councilmembers Severs and Folyer voted in favor, Councilmembers Kennedy, Dunne, Garcia, Langford and Kurtz opposed. Councilmember Severs moved to limit the workshop to 45 minutes, which failed for lack of a second. Mayor Kaminskas called for a roll call vote to adopt the agenda as published. The agenda was approved 6-1; Councilmembers Kennedy, Dunne, Garcia, Severs, Kurtz, Langford voted in favor, Councilmember Folyer opposed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Per RCW 42.30.110(1)(a)(ii), Mayor Kaminskas called for executive session to begin at 6:18 p.m. for 30 minutes. Jen Camp provided an update that the executive session had

been extended an additional 30 minutes. The executive session adjourned at 7:09 p.m. Following a quick break, the regular meeting resumed at 7:15 p.m.

WORKSHOP DISCUSSIONS

Code of Ethics/ Social Media: Councilmember Kurtz introduced the topic and expressed her concerns with social media use within the community. Mayor and Councilmembers discussed possible improvements to the City’s social media policy. Mayor and council members agreed to provide redline comments to the current policy for discussion at a future workshop, along with sample disclaimer language to be developed by the City Attorney for discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chris Cargill: Spoke in support of freedom of speech and limiting the City’s regulation of City Officials’ activity on personal and/or private social media accounts. Suggests the City increases the amount of information it provides to citizens with press releases, etc.

Tim Olsen: Spoke in response to the workshop discussion about the importance of integrity, high standards for public officials, and the difference between fact and opinions and the use of a disclaimer.

ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

These minutes were approved October 5, 2021.



Cris Kaminskas, Mayor
City of Liberty Lake



Notes and Transcription by Kelsey Wright. This Council meeting was also audio taped. Anyone desiring to listen to the recording may contact the City Clerk.