THE CITY OF WHITTIER

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WHITTIER CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2021
7:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Dave Dickason called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. OPENING CEREMONY
Mayor Dave Dickason led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL
A. Council members present and establishing a quorum: Peter Denmark, Dan Blair, Tom Wagner, Victor Shen, and Dave Dickason

B. Administration Present:
Jackie Wilde, Assistant City Manager
Naelene Matsumiya, City Clerk
Kris Erchinger, Finance Director
Scott Korbe, Public Works Director
Andre Achee, Police Chief
Holly Wells, City Attorney (Executive Session)

Others present: Charlene Arneson, Jesse Walts, Clark Brown, and Kylo Medez

4. APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
MOTION: Victor Shen made a motion to approve the Special Meeting Agenda
SECOND: Tom Wagner
DISCUSSION: Add New Business Item B. Letter of Recognition for Jesse Walts; to be heard at 4 a.
Move Executive Session to item 10, Adjourning now becomes item 11.
VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

5. RESOLUTIONS

A. Res. #34-2021 – A Resolution of the Whittier City Council Certifying the Results of the October 5th, 2021, Regular Election.

MOTION: Dan Blair made a motion to adopt Res. #34-2021
SECOND: Peter Denmark
DISCUSSION: None
VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

B. Res. #35-2021 – A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Whittier, Alaska, Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into A Professional Consulting And Lobbying Services Agreement With Kristopher Knauss DBA Confluence Strategies, Inc, To Provide Consulting And State Lobbying Services And For Related Purposes

Kris gave a brief summary as to what the contract is. Answered questions from the Council.

MOTION: Victor Shen made a motion to adopt Res. #35-2021
SECOND: Tom Wagner
DISCUSSION: None
VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

C. Res. #36-2021 – A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Whittier, Alaska, Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into A Professional Consulting Services Agreement With Robertson, Monagle & Eastaugh, P.C., A Professional Corporation, To Provide Professional Consulting Services In The Field Of Federal Government Relations, Legislation And Budgetary Issues, And For Related Purposes

MOTION: Victor Shen made a motion to adopt Res. #36-2021
SECOND: Tom Wagner
DISCUSSION: None
VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

D. Res. #37-2021 – A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Whittier Alaska, Authorizing The City Manager To Continue Professional Services With Appraisal Company Of Alaska, LLC. To Provide Financial Personal And Real Property Appraisal Services For The FY 2022 Tax Year, And For Related Purposes.

Council asked about the contract. Kris explained that the City is planning to put out an RFP but the deadline is too close. She explained further.

MOTION: Victor Shen made a motion to adopt Res. #37-2021
SECOND: Tom Wagner
DISCUSSION: None
VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION (Item was moved to 10)
A. Discussion Pertaining to Property Leases - Matters that, if immediately disclosed, would tend to affect the finances of the City; WMC 2.08.040(I)

MOTION: Victor Shen made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:35 pm
SECOND: Dan Blair
DISCUSSION: None
VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

Council entered into Executive Session at 6:32

MOTION: Tom Wagner made a motion to come out of Executive Session and direct the Administration to write a letter addressing the situation consistent with the discussion with the City Attorney
SECOND: Victor Shen
DISCUSSION: None
VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

Council exited Executive Session and resumed Special meeting at 8:12

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Topic Discussion: Proposed Budget Proposal
Kris directed Council to the Proposed Budget Schedule in the packet and spoke to it with the Council.

8. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Dan Blair asked about election results. Naelene Matsumiya read the numbers to Dan.

9. CITIZEN'S DISCUSSION

None

10. ADJOURNMENT

All were in favor of adjourning the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

ATTEST:

Naelene Matsumiya
City Clerk

Dave Dickason
Mayor