

## CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

January 18, 2022  
6:00 P.M.  
Minutes



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**Location:** The physical location of the Council Meeting was at the Bonney Lake Justice & Municipal Center, 9002 Main Street East, Bonney Lake, Washington. The public was also given the option to call in or attend virtually the Council Meeting.

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Michael McCullough, called the workshop to order at 6:00 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL:** City Clerk Sadie Schaneman called the roll. In addition to Mayor McCullough, elected officials attending were Deputy Mayor Terry Carter, Councilmember Justin Evans, Councilmember Gwendolyn Fullerton, Councilmember J. Kelly McClimans, Councilmember Dan Swatman, and Councilmember Tom Watson.

Staff members in attendance at the physical location were City Administrator John Vodopich, Chief of Police Bryan Jeter, Public Services Director Ryan Johnstone, Interim Administrative Services Director/Information Services Manager Chuck McEwen, Public Works Superintendent Jack Niehuser, Recreation & Special Events Manager David Wells, Human Resources Generalist Melissa Johnson, Recreation Coordinator Alexis Latham, City Clerk Sadie Schaneman, and City Attorney Kathleen Haggard.

Staff members in virtual attendance using the City's BlueJeans conference line were Chief Financial Officer Cherie Reiersen, Human Resources Manager Debbie Mills, Court Administrator Kathy Seymour, and Administrative Specialist III Carol Paul.

### III. AGENDA ITEMS:

#### A. Council Open Discussion:

Communities For Families (CFF). Councilmember Watson said that he and Councilmember Fullerton, and Police Chief Jeter attended the CFF meeting on January 6th. The public speaker was the new Mayor of Sumner, Kathy Hayden, who talked about the plans that Sumner has this year for the City. Councilmember Watson informed Council of the Point in Time Count on January 28, 2022 if anyone was interested in helping, reported that the school district has 178 homeless children and Dr. Dent discussed safe schools and that being open is a priority. The school district has lots of home test kits to help keep kids safe. He also reported that the food bank has about 3900 clients, Prairie Ridge has 102, and Lions 4 Kids have 201 clients. The library and family center has home test kits, but they are going fast and the state has the home test kit program starting also.

Water Shut Off Notices. Councilmember Evans stated that he would have preferred to know ahead of time about the water shut off notices going out. He would like to

have offered a link to apply for help with the water bill for those that need help by offering a grant or other options.

Procedure For Agenda Bill Items. Deputy Mayor Carter stated that he has been having great meetings with staff and recently had one with City Clerk Schaneman. He said that they discussed a possible new procedure for bringing items to Council for approval. The Council had discussed having a 3-touch system back in 2021 and he was looking into different ways to achieve this. City Clerk Schaneman had suggested to have agenda bill items be brought to a Council Workshop to discuss the item and what Council would like to see in order to pass the agenda bill, then have them go to the Committees to discuss and prepare the agenda bill for Council. The agenda bill would then be brought back to a Council Workshop with the items that Council had asked for and to answer any further questions that Council may have, afterwards the agenda bill would go to a Council Meeting for Consent Agenda. This would give Council an opportunity to get opinions and questions they may have to staff, give staff a better direction to what Council is needing to pass the agenda bill, and for the Council to interact with the community on the item. Deputy Mayor Carter said he felt this would benefit staff and Councilmembers.

Councilmember Watson stated that the Committees are supposed to prepare and have everything ready before bringing the agenda bill to Council, then a Council Workshop for discussion and finally to a Council Meeting.

Mayor McCullough asked City Attorney Haggard what the Council would have to do to change the procedure. She responded that the city code would need to be updated with an ordinance.

Councilmembers McClimans and Fullerton agreed with Deputy Mayor Carter. They would like to have a chance to provide input before the items go to Committee, this would help the staff and Committees to know what the Council is wanting to see. Councilmembers Swatman and Evans stated that they would prefer to do a trial of the proposed changes to see how it would flow and any issues that may arise. Some items don't need to be brought to full Council or they need to be expedited and then the procedure would not work. By trying it out first, Council could discuss what works and what doesn't. All Councilmembers receive the agendas for all the Committees and can always reach out and ask questions before an item goes to Committee.

Coffee With The Council. Deputy Mayor Carter asked Council if they are still interested in trying to have a once-a-month group of 2 or 3 Councilmembers that meet with community members to have coffee and discuss things. This was brought up by Councilmember Evans last year. There was a general consensus of the Council to begin having Coffee with the Council meetings.

**B. Review Of Council Minutes: January 4, 2022 Council Workshop and January 11, 2022 Council Meeting.**

Councilmember Watson and Fullerton and Deputy Mayor Carter reported that they had provided City Clerk Sadie Schaneman with a number of corrections to the draft

minutes. There was a general consensus of the Council to move the revised minutes forward to the next Council meeting for approval.

**C. Discussion: Parks & Recreation Program**

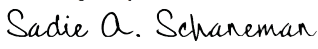
Recreation & Special Events Manager David Wells, presented to Council a PowerPoint presentation on the Recreation Program. He gave a short history of the qualifications of the Recreation Program staff, the onboarding procedure, the different programs and number of participants, contributions, and how payments are taken.


Councilmembers asked several questions about the program to which Recreation & Special Events Manager David Wells, Human Resources Manager Debbie Mills, and Human Resources Generalist Melissa Johnson answered and explained. Mayor McCullough explained that the City is in discussions with the School District about how the agreement for the Recreation Program can be changed and be supported by both the City and the School District.

**IV. EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION: None.**

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

**At 7:32 p.m. the Meeting was adjourned by Mayor McCullough with the common consent of the City Council.**

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Michael McCullough, Mayor

Items presented to Council at the January 18, 2022 Workshop:

- (1) *The Recreation Department PowerPoint – Recreation & Special Events Manager David Wells.*

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