

February 9, 2021 City Council Special (Interviews) and Regular Meeting Minutes  
Approved: February 23, 2021

**City of Covington  
Special and Regular City Council Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, February 9, 2021**

**NOTE:** *These City Council meetings were held telephonically and virtually to comply with state executive and legislation actions that indefinitely prohibit public agencies from meeting in person. This prohibition will remain in effect until the termination of the COVID-19 state of emergency, or until rescinded by gubernatorial or legislative action.*

**INTERVIEW:** The Council conducted interviews for the Youth Council; Arts Commission; Equity, Cultural, and Social Justice Commission; Youth Council Adult Leader; and Planning Commission from 5:20 to 7:00 p.m. Applicants interviewed included: Luke Smith, Jennifer Grajewski, Ashleigh Griffin, Chuck Ijadi, and Darren Groth.

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Covington was called to order Tuesday, February 9, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., with Mayor Wagner presiding.

**COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jeff Wagner, Joe Cimaomo, Jennifer Harjehausen, Jared Koukal, Elizabeth Porter, Sean Smith, and Kristina Soltys.

**STAFF PRESENT:**

City Manager Regan Bolli, Covington Police Chief Andrew McCurdy, Public Works Director Don Vondran, Community Development Director Gina Estep, Finance Director Casey Parker, City Attorney Mark Orthmann, Information Technology Manager Mayson Morrissey (in person); and Executive Assistant/Deputy City Clerk Krista Bates.

All attendees present via Zoom except as noted.

Mayor Wagner opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

The agenda was approved as amended to remove Item C-3, Authorize City Manager to Execute a Public Works Agreement with Olson Brothers Pro-Vac LLC for Stormwater System Cleaning.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mayor Wagner called for public comments from the public attending via Zoom.

There being no comments, Mayor Wagner closed the public comment period.

**APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:**

C-1. Minutes: City Council January 26, 2021 Special Meeting (Interviews) and Regular Meeting Minutes.

C-2. Vouchers: Vouchers #41890 - #41937, including ACH payments and electronic funds transfers in the amount of \$282,370.49, dated January 29, 2021; and Paylocity Payroll Voucher #1013291357 - #1013291363 inclusive, plus employee direct deposits and wire transfers, in the amount of \$214,889.50, dated January 22, 2021.

C-3. Removed.

C-4. Consider Resolution Declaring One Piece of Equipment as Surplus Property.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
COVINGTON, WASHINGTON, DECLARING ONE PIECE OF  
EQUIPMENT AS SURPLUS PROPERTY.

C-5. Acceptance of SoCo Park Demolition and Removal Project, CAG 094-2020.

The consent agenda was approved as amended to remove Item C-3.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Consider Appointment of Adult Leader to the Youth Council.

**Council Action: Councilmember Cimaomo moved and Councilmember Soltys seconded to appoint Chuck Ijadi to a two-year term as an adult leader on the Covington Youth Council expiring February 28, 2023. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.**

2. Consider Appointments to Equity, Cultural, and Social Justice Commission.

**Council Action: Councilmember Harjehausen moved and Councilmember Porter seconded to appoint Ashleigh Griffin to fill Position No. 10 on the Equity, Cultural, and Social Justice Commission with a term expiring September 30, 2023. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.**

**Council Action: Councilmember Cimaomo moved and Councilmember Koukal seconded to appoint Chuck Ijadi to fill Position No. 11 on the Equity, Cultural, and Social Justice Commission with a term expiring September 30, 2023. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.**

3. Consider Appointment to the Arts Commission.

**Council Action: Councilmember Harjehausen moved and Councilmember Soltys seconded to appoint Jennifer Grajewski to fill Position No. 3 on the Arts Commission with a term expiring May 31, 2023. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.**

4. Consider Appointment to the Planning Commission.

**Council Action: Councilmember Soltys moved and Mayor Pro Tem Smith seconded to appoint Darren Groth to fill an open replacement position on the Planning Commission with a term expiring August 31, 2021. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.**

5. Consider Appointment to the Youth Council.

**Council Action: Councilmember Porter moved and Councilmember Soltys seconded to appoint Luke Smith to fill Position No. 8 on the Youth Council with a term expiring the last day of the month of graduation from high school. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.**

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

Councilmembers reviewed future agenda items.

**COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS:**

Councilmembers and staff made comments.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mayor Wagner called for public comments from the public attending via Zoom.

Planning Commission Chair Jonathan Ingram provided public comments.

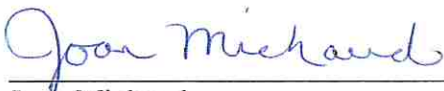
There being no further comments, Mayor Wagner closed the public comment period.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- To Review the Performance of a Public Employee Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1) (g) from 7:53 to 8:06 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.



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Joan Michaud  
City Clerk