

**City of Covington  
Special and Regular City Council Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, June 8, 2021**

**NOTE:** *These City Council meetings were held telephonically and virtually in compliance with state executive and legislative actions responding to the COVID-19 emergency.*

**INTERVIEW:** The Council conducted an interview for the Equity, Cultural, and Social Justice Commission from 6:40 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Applicant interviewed: David Scalabrini. The applicants for the Youth Council and Human Services Commission did not attend their scheduled interviews.

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Covington was called to order Tuesday, June 8, 2021, at 7:02 p.m., with Mayor Wagner presiding.

**COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

**COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:**

Jared Koukal.

**STAFF PRESENT:**

City Manager Regan Bolli, Covington Police Chief Andrew McCurdy, Public Works Director Don Vondran, Finance Director Casey Parker, City Attorney Mark Orthmann, City Engineer Bob Linskoy, Planning Manager Ryan Harriman, Senior Planner Ann Mueller, Desktop Support Technician Keith Drury (in person), and Executive Assistant/Deputy City Clerk Krista Bates.

All attendees present via Zoom except as noted.

**Council Action: Councilmember Harjehausen moved and Councilmember Cimaomo seconded to excuse Councilmember Koukal. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.**

Mayor Wagner opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

The agenda was approved as amended to remove New Business Items No. 2 and No. 3.

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:**

- Angela San Filippo, AICP, South King Housing and Homelessness Partners provided an update.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

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

Members of the public providing comments: Paul (attempted to speak but was unable due to technical difficulty) and Laura Slaney.

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

**APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:**

- C-1. Minutes: City Council May 11, 2021 Special Meeting – Joint Study Session with Covington Economic Development Council and Covington Chamber of Commerce Board Minutes and City Council May 11, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes.
- C-2. Vouchers: Vouchers #42303 - #42367, including ACH payments and electronic funds transfers in the amount of \$709,678.50, dated May 21, 2021.
- C-3. Authorize City Manager to Execute Local Agency Agreement Supplement Number 6 with Washington State Department of Transportation, Obligating the Remaining Connecting Washington Funds for the Covington Connector Project (CIP 1201) and Executive Amendment Numbers 2 and 3 with Transpo Group for Additional Construction Management Services and Execute a Washington State Department of Transportation Construction Agreement.
- C-4. Authorize City Manager to Execute a Public Works Agreement with Wolfskill Construction, LLC for Forest Crest Detention Pond Restoration Project.

The consent agenda was approved as presented.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

- 1. Receive Public Testimony and Consider Ordinance Regarding the Privately Initiated Comprehensive Plan Amendments to the Land Use Element and Economic Development Element to Allow an Increase in the Maximum Dwelling Units and Commercial Square Footage Development Within Lakepointe Urban Village Subarea and Associated Amendments to Ordinance No. 04-14, The Planned Action for the Lakepointe Urban Village Subarea.

Senior Planner Ann Mueller began the presentation on this item. Ms. Mueller then turned the presentation over to Lisa Grueter, Principal Planner, with BERK Consulting. Police Chief McCurdy provided information on this item. Public Works Director Don Vondran provided information on this item. Nancy Rogers, land use attorney representing Oakpointe, provided further information on this item.

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

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

Public comments were received via email and U.S. mail for the public hearing by Debra Beach, Louise Davenport, Bill Meservey, and Manuel Rodriguez.

Councilmembers provided comments and asked questions, and Ms. Mueller, Ms. Rogers, Kim Pratt (Madrona Law representing city), Police Chief McCurdy, and Mr. Vondran provided responses.

ORDINANCE NO. 04-2021

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO THE CITY OF COVINGTON 2015-2035 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY AMENDING THE LAND USE ELEMENT AND THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ELEMENT, CITY FILE NUMBER. LA18-0002; AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 02-2016; ADOPTING FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Council Action:** Councilmember Harjehausen moved and Councilmember Cimaomo seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 04-2021 relating to amendments to the Land Use Element and the Economic Development Element of the city's 2015-2035 Comprehensive Plan. The city clerk shall transmit a copy of the comprehensive plan amendments to the Washington State Department of Commerce within 10 days of the council's final adoption. Vote: 5-1 (voting yes: Smith, Soltys, Harjehausen, Cimaomo, and Wagner; voting no: Porter). Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 05-2021

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, WASHINGTON, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 04-14, THE PLANNED ACTION ORDINANCE FOR THE HAWK AREA PROPERTY, NOW REFERRED TO AS THE LAKEPOINT URBAN VILLAGE SUBAREA; ADOPTING FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Council Action:** Councilmember Soltys moved and Councilmember Cimaomo seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 05-2021 relating to amendments to Ordinance No. 04-14, the Planned Action for the Lakepointe Urban Village Subarea. The city clerk shall transmit a copy of the amended planned action ordinance to the Washington State Department of Commerce and Department of Ecology within 10 days of council's final adoption. Vote: 5-1 (voting yes: Smith, Soltys, Harjehausen, Cimaomo, and Wagner; voting no: Porter). Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

2. Consider Appointment to Youth Council (removed from agenda).
3. Consider Appointment to Human Services Commission (removed from agenda).
4. Consider Appointment to Equity, Cultural, and Social Justice Commission.

**Council Action: Councilmember Porter moved and Councilmember Harjehausen seconded to appoint David Scalabrini to fill Position No. 13 on the Equity, Cultural, and Social Justice Commission with a term expiring September 30, 2023. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.**

5. Consider Resolution Adopting Six-Year 2022-2027 Transportation Improvement Program.

City Engineer Bob Lindskov gave the staff report on this item.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, WASHINGTON, ADOPTING THE 2022-27 SIX-YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

**Council Action: Councilmember Cimaomo moved and Councilmember Harjehausen seconded to pass Resolution No. 2021-06 adopting the City of Covington 2022-27 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.**

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

Councilmembers reviewed future agenda items.

Councilmembers Porter, Harjehausen, Cimaomo, and Mayor Pro Tem Smith approved to bring to a future meeting to evaluate the city's growth targets. There was discussion and clarification sought and received by Mr. Bolli.

**COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS:**

Councilmembers and staff made comments.

There was Council consensus to accept \$5.9 million in American Rescue Plan Act funds.

There was Council consensus to reschedule the two applicants who missed their interviews to June 22 starting at 6:20 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

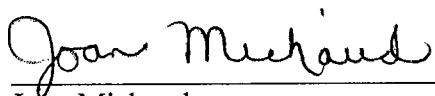
Mayor Wagner called for public comments from the public attending via Zoom.

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

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Approved: July 27, 2021

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joan Michaud". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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Joan Michaud  
City Clerk