

**CITY OF SUMNER
Council Meeting
Minutes – May 3, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER

The Sumner City Council met in regular session at 6:00pm, with Mayor William L. Pugh presiding. City Hall remains closed during Governor Inslee’s “Healthy Washington – Roadmap to Recovery” order, a consequence of the Covid-19 pandemic. The Mayor, Council and staff members attended through ZOOM either telephonically or through their computer. The public was allowed to attend via ZOOM, PCTV livestream and by telephone.

Staff present via electronic device: City Administrator Jason Wilson, Assistant City Attorney Christy Palmer, City Attorney Andrea Marquez, Development Services Director Doug Beagle, Administrative Services Director Jeff Steffens, Communications Director Carmen Palmer, Community Development Director Ryan Windish, Police Chief Brad Moericke, Associate Planner Scott Waller, Assistant City Engineer Andrew Leach, Chief Financial Officer Kassandra Raymond and City Clerk Michelle Converse

Mayor and Councilmembers present via electronic device: Mayor Bill Pugh, Councilmembers Bitetto, Brown, Hamilton, Hayden, Hochstatter, Neuman and Reed.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the minutes from the regular council meeting of April 19, 2021 and April 26, 2021 study session.
2. Approval of the checks and electronic payments in the amount of \$1,125,058.22.
3. Resolution No. 1577 - Interlocal Agreement (WSDOT)
4. Fryar Ave Trail - Consultant Supplement

PUBLIC HEARING

One was not scheduled tonight.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none tonight.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no Public Comment tonight.

NEW BUSINESS

Appointment to the Design Commission – Kristen Martinson

MOVED BY HOCHSTATTER, SECONDED BY TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO APPOINT KRISTEN MARTINSON TO THE DESIGN COMMISSION WITH A TERM ENDING APRIL 2025.

Associate Planner Scott Waller spoke to the Council.

Ms. Martinson is an active member in the community and will be an excellent addition to the commission.

Ms. Martinson was unable to attend the meeting.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

Appointment to the design Commission – Scott Fletcher

MOVED BY HOCHSTATTER, SECONDED BY REED TO APPOINT SCOTT FLETCHER TO THE DESIGN COMMISSION FOR A TERM ENDING IN APRIL 2025.

Associate Planner Scott Waller spoke to the Council.

Mr. Fletcher is an active member in the community and has over 20 years in the construction industry.

Mr. Fletcher was at the meeting and thanked council for the opportunity, he is looking forward to contributing to the commission.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

Resolution No. 1582 – Authorizing the Use of Body Worn Cameras

MOVED BITETTO SECONDED BY TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 1582 – AUTHORIZING THE USE OF BODY WORK CAMERAS.

Police Chief Brad Moericke addressed the Council.

The police department desires to field test and ultimately deploy body worn camera technology. RCW 10.109 strongly encourages local legislative bodies to authorize the use of police body worn cameras by ordinance or resolution. This resolution would authorize members of the Sumner Police Department to use body worn cameras in the performance of their official duties. The resolution also authorizes the police chief to develop policies governing the use of body worn cameras with public input and to start the procurement process.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

American Rescue Plan Council Committee Selectin

MOVED BY HAYDEN, SECONDED BY TO HOCHSTATTER TO SELECT THREE MEMBERS AND ONE ALTERNATE MEMBER TO SERVE ON THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN COUNCIL COMMITTEE THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2021.

City Administrator Jason Wilson addressed the Council.

Last month Congress passed the \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Under the plan, U.S. cities and towns will receive \$65.1 billion in direct and flexible funds. The funding will begin to arrive in the next couple of months and will be distributed in two installments, the first in 2021 and the second in 2022. Sumner is anticipated to receive \$2,270,241.

Cities can use the ARPA funding for: 1) Responding to the Covid-19 pandemic, 2) covering costs incurred from the public health emergency, 3) replacing lost, delayed, or decreased revenues due to Covid-19, 4) addressing the negative economic impacts on local businesses and nonprofits, and 5) making necessary investments in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure.

At the April 19, 2021 council meeting, council adopted Resolution No. 1581 creating a temporary council committee with the purpose of working with staff to review and make formal recommendations to the full council for consideration of ARPA fund allocations. Council must select three members and one

alternate for the committee, with an initial term ending December 31, 2021. The current Council Rules of Procedure (20.2.f) states, "Membership will be determined by deliberation of the full Council and upon reaching consensus or by majority vote." Historically council committees have been chosen by seniority pick. Staff is recommending that council use the same methodology for selecting members for this committee

Councilmembers by seniority: Brown, Hochstatter, Hayden, Reed, Bitetto, Neuman, Hamilton

Councilmembers who volunteered for the committee were: Hochstatter, Hayden and Reed.
Councilmember Bitetto as an alternate.

The term of the committee will be for one year and will be chosen for another year term at the first council meeting in January 2022.

Resolution No. 1583 – 2021 Housing Action Plan

MOVED BY HAYDEN SECONDED BY NEUMAN TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 1583 – 2021 HOUSING ACTION PLAN.

Community Development Director Ryan Windish addressed the Council.

The City of Sumner and City of Bonney Lake have jointly developed a Housing Action Plan (HAP). This is in response to State Growth Management Act requirements to address the need for affordable housing. This project was funded by a grant through the Washington State Department of Commerce. The goal of the project is to identify gaps in access to affordable housing, and to develop strategies to remedy those gaps.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on the HAP on March 4, 2021 and voted unanimously on a recommendation to approve on April 1, 2021. The Council was briefed on the Housing Action Plan as proposed and recommended on April 12, 2021.

Mr. Clay White, Director of Planning, LDC and the prime consultant thanked the council for the opportunity to work with the City.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

COUNCIL REPORT

Councilmembers Reed and Hochstatter had nothing to report.

Councilmember Neuman thanked staff and the City Administrator Jason Wilson for the very well written explanation of the City's stance on car shows. It helps Council when asked questions by the public.

Deputy Mayor Hayden thanked Mr. Wilson for the car show memo.

Councilmember Hamilton received his second COVID-19 shot today. It was easy and very well organized. If anyone is on the fence about getting their shot because it might take too much time, etc., just do it! There are several vaccine locators on-line.

Councilmember Brown thanked the two newest Design Commissioners for volunteering their time. He also complemented the Housing Action Plan, and called it, “Amazing”!

Councilmember Bitetto was reminded by a Facebook posting of the YMCA groundbreaking. She reminded the council and the public the YMCA is open from 5am to 7pm Monday-Friday and from 6am-1pm on Saturdays.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

City Administrator Jason Wilson reported to Council the following:

Upcoming Policy Issues:

- Next Week’s Study Session
 - Sumner Main Street Association Update (Jill Starks)
 - Permit Process Review
- Next Regular Council Meeting on May 17th
 - Four Ordinances adopting our 2020 Comprehensive Plan amendments including East Sumner Neighborhood Plan
 - Ordinance amending our Public Facilities and Parks rules

MAYOR REPORT

Mayor Pugh shared his frustration at the lack of people getting the Covid-19 vaccination and the higher rates of infection. We will never get to some type of normal if we don’t get the pandemic under control. Unfortunately, social media is spreading false information about the vaccine and rising rates of infections.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was none scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Council, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:43pm. Councilmembers concurred.

ATTEST:

William L. Pugh, Mayor

Michelle Converse, CMC City Clerk