

**CITY OF PROSSER, WASHINGTON
601 7TH STREET
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Warden called the Special Meeting of the Prosser City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Members Taylor, Everett, Troemel, Becken, Poteet, Chambers, and Rainer were present.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Mayor Warden thanked members of Grace Fellowship, Bethel Church, First Presbyterian Church, and Young Life for their recent involvement in the ShareFest event in Prosser. Approximately 50 – 75 people volunteered their time to serve in the community on Saturday, March 26, 2011. ShareFest volunteers painted the pavilions at both EJ Miller and Crawford Parks, cleaned-up the East end of Wine Country Road, cleaned-up the Mid-Columbia Library parking area and grounds, spruced-up a number of City facilities and grounds, planted flowers, and are currently painting Wells 2 & 3 across from Halls Chevrolet. Each church was presented a certificate of appreciation by Mayor Warden.

REPORT FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR

None

CLOSED RECORD PUBLIC HEARING

At 7:04 p.m., Mayor Warden recessed the Special Meeting of the Prosser City Council to conduct a closed record public hearing on an area wide rezone. City Planner Steve Zetz advised staff was waiting for additional material to provide to Council and therefore requested the closed record public hearing be continued to April 26, 2011.

A motion was made by Council Member Chambers, seconded by Council Member Poteet to approve continue the closed record public hearing to April 26, 2011. Motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO, 0 ABSENT.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Becken to approve Consent Agenda Items "A-B". Motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO, 0 ABSENT.

- a. Approve Council Meeting Minutes of March 8, 2011
- b. Approve CDBG Grant Invoice Voucher No. 5 from Huibregtse Louman Associates, Inc. to the Department of Commerce – CDBG in the amount of \$600, for the Village Park Improvements Project and authorize the Mayor to sign the Voucher Distribution form

COUNCIL ACTION

ORDINANCE NO. 11-2718 APPROVING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS

A motion was made by Council Member Troemel, seconded by Council Member Taylor, to adopt Ordinance No. 11-2718 approving the Comprehensive Plan amendments. Motion passed 4 YES, 3 NO (Poteet, Chambers, Rainer), 0 ABSENT.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Mid-Columbia Library District Annexation

City Administrator Charlie Bush provided Council with an overview of what it would look like if the City annexed into the Mid-Columbia Library District in order to preserve library services. Deputy City Administrator/Finance Director Cathleen Koch provided Council a financial analysis of what the levy rate would go to if the City annexed into the Library District. Council requested City staff provide what the cost of the ballot measure would be, options for keeping

the levy rate at a net zero, and a written study of what the annexation scenario would look like. City Administrator Bush advised Council that information would be brought back at a future Council meeting for consideration.

Kyle Cox from Mid-Columbia Library District presented Council with hand-out of the proposed renovation project to Council. Mr. Cox advised the cost of the renovation project is upward of \$250,000. Due to the cost associated with the project, the Library will hold the renovation project pending annexation. If the voters did pass the annexation, the Library would move forward with the renovation project and citizens could anticipate the Prosser Branch to be closed for 6 – 8 weeks. During that time, the Library would set-up a temporary site in order to not disrupt services.

City of Vani, Sister Cities

City Administrator Bush provided Council with a presentation on the International Sister Cities program with the Vani Municipality. There was discussion regarding the Sister Cities Association being housed under the Prosser Economic Development Association. PEDDA would oversee funding and operations, coordinate in-bound and out-bound trips amongst delegations and other activities. The cost to join the Association is \$250. City Administrator Bush requested Council provide direction to staff on how to move forward. Council directed staff to bring back the necessary documents to initiate a Sister Cities relationship with the Vani Municipality.

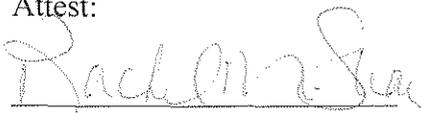
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council at this time, the Special Meeting of the Prosser City Council was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.



Mayor Paul Warden

Attest:



City Clerk Rachel Shaw

