

**CITY OF WEST RICHLAND
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2012**

1. **Call to Order** – Mayor Noski called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Roll Call** – Mayor Noski and Mayor Pro Tem Rich Buel were present. Council Members Tony Benegas, Gail Brown, Brent Gerry, Ron Hayden, and Robert Perkes were also present. Staff members present were Finance Director Jessica Platt, City Engineer Drew Woodruff, City Attorney Bronson Brown, and City Clerk Julie Richardson.

Upon motion by Councilmember Gerry, seconded by Councilmember Brown, Council unanimously excused Councilmember Bloom from the meeting.

3. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Councilmember Benegas led the Council, staff, and audience in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **Approval of Agenda** – *Upon motion by Councilmember Benegas, seconded by Councilmember Brown, Council unanimously approved the agenda as presented.*
5. **Presentations – Mayor’s Proposed 2013-2014 Budget** – Mayor Noski presented her proposed preliminary 2013-2014 biennial operating and capital budgets for all city funds. She advised that the budgets are balanced with current revenues matching expenditures. She advised that the first public hearing on the budget will be held on October 16th.

Finance Director Platt added that the proposed Mayor’s budget will be published on the city website. Copies of the worksheets will also be emailed to Council Members.

6. **Consent Agenda** - *Upon motion by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Benegas, Council unanimously approved the consent agenda as presented.*
 - a. **Approve Payment of Bills** – FSA Checks #5322 through #5323; Accounts Payable Checks #50102 through #50195 and Electronic Wire Payments #003.09.2012 through #004.09.2012 in the amount of \$1,030,960.46; and Payroll Checks #15732 through #15744 and Direct Deposit in the amount of \$91,848.84
 - b. **Approve Minutes of Council Meeting and Work Session of September 18, 2012 and Special Meetings of September 25, 2012**
 - c. **Approve Settlement Agreement with West Richland Police Officers Association for Animal Control Duties**
 - d. **Approve Memorandum of Agreement with West Richland Police Officers Association for a Part Time Animal Control Officer**
 - e. **RES – Amending the 2012 Salary Schedule**
 - f. **Award 2012 Sewer Re-Line Project**
 - g. **Accept Melinda Drive Waterline Replacement & PRV Stations Project As Complete**
 - h. **Authorize Mayor to execute \$479,000 Stormwater Grant with Ecology**
 - i. **ORD – Amending WRMC 17.54.050, Area and Dimensional Regulations**
 - j. **Approve Memorandum of Agreement with of Academy of Soccer Excellence**
7. **Ordinances, Resolutions, Motions, and Public Hearings** – There were none.
8. **Unfinished Business** – There was no unfinished business.
9. **New Business** – There was no new business.
10. **Citizens Public Comment** – Mayor Noski opened the meeting to citizen public comment on items not on the agenda.

John Hundahl, Van Giesen Street, referred to the City's noise ordinance, and said he is well versed on it. He expressed his concerns about the noise pollution from events at the Sandberg Event Center. When there is an event, he and his wife are unable to enjoy their home, sit outside by their pool, or watch television. Sometimes, the music causes his windows to rattle. He has called the police and spoken with the owners, but feels that will not resolve the issue. It was particularly loud and raucous on September 14th, and that resulted in his neighbors meeting on the problem. The season is almost over now, but they plan to be vocal and push for a resolution next year. He offered to meet with the Mayor and Staff on the issue.

Mayor Noski thanked Mr. Hundahl for commenting at the meeting. She will meet with Staff on the issue, and be in contact with him.

Valerie Welty, 41st Street, commented that the outdoor events get loud. At 10:00, it slows down due to the 10:00 p.m. time restriction in the ordinance.

11. Announcements, Reports & Comments - a. Staff Reports

b. Council Reports

Mayor Pro Tem Buel reported on the Citizens for Good Schools committee, and said no final decision has been made on school locations. He said the meetings have been moved to Tuesday evenings so he will only be able to attend on Tuesdays when there is no Council meeting.

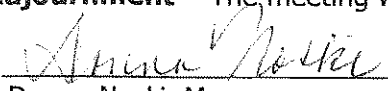
Councilmember Benegas reported on the all area park board meeting. He also encouraged everyone to get informed on the issues and vote.

Councilmember Hayden said the deadline to register to vote is nearing and encouraged everyone to register and to vote. He also announced that October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

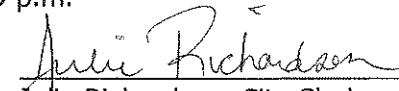
Councilmember Brown added that October is also Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

12 Executive Session – There was no executive session.

13. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.



Donna Noski, Mayor



Julie Richardson, City Clerk