

GRANGER CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

6:00PM
April 22, 2025,

City Hall
102 Main Street

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hilda Gonzalez called the workshop to order at 6:00 p.m.

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Susie Munoz	Francisco Tijerina, Public Works Director
Israel Bustamante	David Marks, Lieutenant
Judi Montes	Terry Carter, Fire Chief
Ryan Stonemetz	Fantasia Reyes, Clerk-Treasurer
Alfredo Reyes-Absent	Grant Rhode, Public Works

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO CONSENT AGENDA

- A** Review Minutes of Workshop dated April 8, 2025
- B** Review Minutes of Council dated April 8, 2025
- C** Review the accounts payable dated April 22, 2025, in the amount of \$76,193.81
- D** Review payroll dated April 18, 2025, in the amount of \$65,941.95
- E** Review quarterly payments for 1st Quarter of 2025 in the amount of \$16,932.75

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Joe Cruz – Works with Community First Realty - Land Rental w/ option to buy

His client has been leasing this piece of land for quite some time. We have gone ahead and got the land surveyed and have an offer of \$20k in cash. Per mayor there is a process to doing such a sale and will have to have a discussion with council and attorney before moving forward.

OLD BUSINESS

JP Investors Conditional Use Permit

Mayor introduced the topic and had a series of questions for the council (appearance of fairness questions). Attorney Foster explained who she was and what the series of questions was for? Council member Montes asked if these questions had to be answered publicly to which Foster responded “yes”. Council member Stonemetz asked why these questions weren’t asked at the previous meeting when speaking of this topic. Foster responded that she was not aware that this discussion was going to take place but recommends this question be asked whenever considering a land use matter. The mayor included that she didn’t know about this until she reached out to our city attorney to get advice and guidance on how to go about the process. Council member Stonemetz stated “so it was a good thing we tabled the matter” to which Foster replied it was okay that the matter was tabled. Council member Bustamante and Montes followed up with asking if they have been our city attorneys for a while why we haven’t been asked these questions before. Per Foster she said she is not sure but now that it has been brought to her attention, she recommends using these questions to keep the process fair. Bustamante asked if these questions are required to which Foster said no but they are very beneficial. Bustamante stated he doesn’t feel confident with Menke Jackson representing us now. (this is just an opinion). Per mayor not a topic on the agenda. Per Stonemetz asking why these questions are not in the council packets. Montes, where are these questions coming from? Foster researched different jurisdictions to put them together. Montes doesn’t feel comfortable answering she hasn’t reviewed. Mayor asked for guidance on how to proceed. Foster stated we can force anyone to answer. Foster explained she will just be giving an overview of what the hearing examiner determined and what they recommended. Attorney Cuillier recommended approval. Albert Miller from YVCOG, who reviewed the application for the conditional use permit was present and ready to answer questions presented. Stonemetz asked about the

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hotel, mini storage and event center being submitted all together. Miller answered they were submitted at the same time not all in one. Stonemetz asked if for the hotel there a bar will be and if it was included in the permit. Miller stated that he did not review that application, but he doesn't believe so. There were questions about other permits related to JP Investors. Foster reminded council we are here for this specific conditional use permit. Mayor clarified that the city was not aware of the business owner wanting to have recurring events not just special events for renters. There was no prior conversations of the owners holding a liquor license themselves so they can hold events. They were considered a banquet. They are not a night club that is just the closest description under the liquor license, but they will still have to apply for a special event permit as well. Foster reminded council that the ruling needs to be based on factual bases of municipal codes. Stonemetz reinstated his question from last council about what the standard for is having security. Per Foster the state requires 1 per 100 people for the liquor but the police department has the authority to request more if seen fit.

NEW BUSINESS

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HLA – Railroad Water Main Improvements

Fantasia explained we posted for bids and received the bid from Ascent Foundation and More for \$252,027.72. We will need to approve that award. Stonemetz asked about this low of a bid and the reputation of this bid. Mayor explained they have done a lot of work in Cle Elum with some work in Selah as well.

Public Works

Expenditure Request- Commercial Tire

Frank explained we need new tires for our garbage truck we haven't purchased since May of 2023. We need 8 tires at just over \$400 for each one.

MAYORS REPORT

Mayor reminded council tomorrow is the GHS school board meeting and we will put out a quorum notice. Mayor also congratulated Lions Club on a successful Cherry Festival.

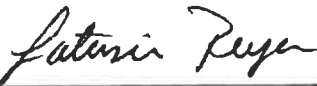
ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councilmember Montes to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Bustamante.

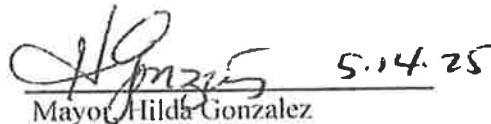
MOTION CARRIED 4-0

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 PM.

ATTEST:



Fantasia Reyes, Clerk-Treasurer

 5.14.25
Mayor Hilda Gonzalez

APPROVED TO FORM:



Scann Mumford, City Attorney

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April 22, 2025,
7:00 p.m.

City Hall
102 Main Street

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hilda Gonzalez called the meeting of April 22, 2025, to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGEINCE

Lt. Marks led the Flag Salute.

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Susie Muñoz	Frank Tijerina, Public Works Director
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It was moved by Councilmember Stonemetz to approve the consent agenda with items A-E as follows. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Munoz.
MOTION CARRIED 4-0

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None.

OLD BUSINESS

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JP Investors Conditional Use Permit

It was moved by councilmember Munoz to approve the conditional use permit to operate a commercial special event facility at the granger event center based upon the hearing examiners findings and conclusions and to adopt the findings and conclusions as the city councils. Motion was seconded by councilmember Stonemetz.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

NEW BUSINESS

City Hall

HLA- Railroad Ave Water Main Improvements Bid

It was moved by councilmember Munoz to approve the award for Railroad Ave Water Main improvements. Motion was seconded by councilmember Stonemetz.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

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Public Works

Expenditure Request- Commercial Tire

It was moved by councilmember Stonemetz to approve the expenditure request to purchase new tires for the brown garbage truck and not to exceed four thousand five hundred dollars. Motion was seconded by councilmember Munoz.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Fund Totals 04/22/2025

Current Expense	\$ 6,679.29
Parks & Rec	\$ 1,774.20
Streets	\$ 27,656.98
Criminal Justice Fund	\$ 5,993.58
Fed Housing Rehab Grant	\$
Crime Prevention	\$
Festival/Float Fund	\$
Bell Memorial Fund	\$
EMS Fire Trauma	\$ 611.78
Public Safety	\$ 14,054.03
Water	\$ 12,025.40
Sewer	\$ 6,755.58
Garbage	\$ 393.82
Consumer Deposit Refund	\$
Irrigation	\$ 249.15
Court Bound Fund	\$
TOTAL	\$ 76,193.81

Accounts Payable Checks for April 22, 2025: 049362-049397

Payroll for April 18, 2025: ACH \$65,941.95 (includes vendor payments).

1st Quarter 2025 Quarterly Payments: ACH \$16,932.75

COUNCIL

Councilmember Montes wanted to share about how Ms. King Class created and published a book. The students will be recognized by the University of WA on May 4th at 3:00pm, it is open to the public. Councilmember wanted to recognize them for their hard work and great accomplishment. Councilmember Montes shared that Dr. Smith that has been at the clinic downtown, said that she will be leaving the clinic for another opportunity and would like to wish her the best of luck and thanked her for the services she provided to our community. Councilmember Munoz wanted to thank the Granger Lions Club for all the hard work that was put into the Cherry Festival, and it was a great turnout and event.

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MAYOR

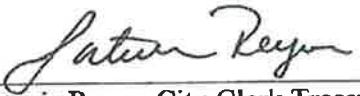
Mayor informs council of the Granger School Board Meeting tomorrow at 6pm here in the council chambers. Mayor also informed council of an RMSA meeting scheduled for May 6th at 2pm, they are more than welcome to join and to give city hall a heads up so they can publish for possible quorum. Mayor also wanted to let Granger Lions Club know they did a great job with Cherry Festival. Mayor also wanted to share that HLA had a career day and fourteen students from the Granger High School attended the career day and they represented Granger very well.


ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councilmember Montes to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Stonemetz.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

The meeting was adjourned for 7:16 p.m.


Fantasia Reyes, City Clerk Treasurer

 5.14.25
Hilda Gonzalez, Mayor

APPROVED TO FORM:


Seann Mumford, City Attorney