

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Paul Helenberg called the February 22, 2021 regular meeting of the Castle Rock City Council to order at 7:32 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The following councilmembers were present via phone or computer: Art Lee, Lee Kessler, Earl Queen, Paul Simonsen, and Ellen Rose.

Also present: Acting Chief Charlie Worley, City Attorney Frank Randolph, Public Works Director Dave Vorse, City Engineer Tom Gower, and Clerk-Treasurer Carie Cuttonaro.

Please note:

1. *This meeting was a call-in meeting due to Washington State Governor issued Proclamation 20-28 which includes temporarily prohibiting in-person public attendance at meetings subject to the Open Public Meeting Act (OPMA). Call-in instructions were provided on the Agenda.*

AGENDA APPROVAL

Councilmember Kessler made a motion, seconded by Rose to approve the Agenda. Motion carried by roll call vote. Councilmembers Lee, Kessler, Queen, Simonsen, and Rose voted 'Aye'.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

-none

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Acting Police Chief Charlie Worley

-Officer Zimmerman was involved in a response call with the Sheriff's Office and Fire Department. Female in her 40's was unresponsive. Officer Zimmerman and Deputy Plank arrived and found her to be unresponsive with no vital signs. They began CPR along with other life saving measures. Officer Zimmerman retrieved a recently purchased AED from his patrol car and initiated it prior to the arrival of the Fire Department. Minutes later vital signs returned and she was even coherent and talking in the ambulance. Officer Zimmerman and Deputy Plank have both been nominated for a life saving award by Shift Sergeant Deputy Corey Robinson.

Clerk-Treasurer Carie Cuttonaro

-Cowlitz County is now in Phase II of the Safe Start Washington COVID-19 Recovery. We can begin having hybrid meetings starting with the March 8th regular council meeting.

Council and Ad Hoc Committees

-Mayor Helenberg requested City Council consider looking at the option of hiring a City Administrator in the future.

CONSENT AGENDA

-none

OLD BUSINESS

1. Tree located in City Right-of-Way (ROW) at 839 Front Ave SW.

Councilmember Kessler made a motion, seconded by Queen to apply for the AWC Loss Control Grant and have the tree removed.

Further discussion: Public Works Director recommended Council consider requiring the homeowners remove all structures including fencing from the ROW prior to having the tree removed, and not allow them to put any structures back in the ROW.

Councilmember Kessler amended his motion to require the property owners that have placed property within the ROW remove said property and be instructed not to put any of those items back in the ROW. Councilmember Rose seconded the amended motion.

Vote on the amended motion: Motion carried by roll call vote. Councilmembers Lee, Kessler, Queen, Simonsen, and Rose voted 'Aye'.

2. Resolution No. 2021-01, a resolution of the Castle Rock City Council initiating a process to vacate two small areas of unimproved right-of-way behind the sidewalk on the west side of Front Avenue NW and abutting parcel #30216 located at 441 Front Avenue NW and setting a public hearing date, on second reading.

Councilmember Queen made a motion, seconded by Kessler to approve Resolution No. 2021-01 on second reading. Motion carried by roll call vote. Councilmembers Lee, Kessler, Queen, Simonsen, and Rose voted 'Aye'.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution No. 2021-02, a resolution adopting the amended and restated Interlocal Agreement of the Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Planning Organization, on first reading.

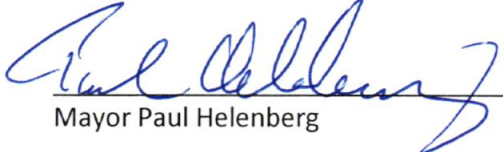
Councilmember Kessler made a motion, seconded by Queen to approve Resolution No. 2021-02 on first reading. Motion carried by roll call vote. Councilmembers Lee, Kessler, Queen, Simonsen, and Rose voted 'Aye'.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Helenberg adjourned the meeting at 7:55 PM.



Clerk-Treasurer Carrie Cuttonaro



Mayor Paul Helenberg