

POULSBO CITY COUNCIL VIRTUAL MEETING OF JULY 1, 2020

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor Erickson; Councilmembers Livdahl, Lord (joined meeting at 7:21 p.m.), McGinty, McVey, Musgrove, Phillips, Stern.

Staff: Finance Director Booher, City Clerk Fernandez, Director of Engineering Kasiniak, City Engineer Lenius, Engineer 1 Roberts, Civil Engineer Ranes, Public Works Superintendent Lund, Parks & Recreation Director McCluskey, Police Chief Schoonmaker, Housing, Health, & Human Services Director Hendrickson, IT Manager Stenstrom.

MAJOR BUSINESS ITEMS

- * * * Payable Disbursements for May 2020
- * * * May 22, 2020 City Council Meeting Minutes Approval
- * * * Resolution No. 2020-14, Welcome and Inclusive City Reaffirmation
- * * * Sewer Comprehensive Plan – Phase I Consultant Contract
- * * * Resolution No. 2020-15, Interlocal Agreement with the Interlocal Purchasing System
- * * * Approval of Poulsbo's COVID-19 Response Plan

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Erickson called the meeting to order in the Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion: Move to approve the agenda as presented.

Action: Approve, **Moved by** McGinty, **Seconded by** Stern.

Motion carried.

3. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

City Clerk Fernandez read the following emailed citizen comments into the record, which are summarized below:

Cindy Holmes expressed her gratitude to the Mayor and those Councilmembers who attended the business recovery meetings. She thanked Mayor Erickson for her hard work over the past months, and her willingness to hold meetings which include tough questions. She hoped everyone can work together to make Poulsbo stronger.

Thomas Pelland wrote against taking parking spots away. He does not support closing King Harold Vei and would rather see additional seating be put in the Waterfront Park.

Kristin Klassert wrote against the Summer Fair proposal and why she does not support the closure of King Harold Vei.

Andrew Stokes wrote closing King Harold Vei or taking away parking is a bad idea. He felt there was more than enough room to put tables and chairs in the park.

Jim and Debbie Jo Rock wrote in support of the proposed safety-oriented improvements along Fjord Drive.

Anna Lessor wrote that closing King Harold Vei and taking away parking stalls would be detrimental to the downtown corridor. She felt the Waterfront Park was the best solution for adding tables and chairs.

Risa Owen wrote in opposition to the Summer Fair proposal. She would like the City to provide additional hand sanitizer to businesses with the CARES funding. She does not support the Fjord Drive One-Way project and said that funding should be used for more hand sanitizer.

Doug Owen wrote in opposition to the Summer Fair and Fjord One-Way proposals. He would like CARES funds to be used for health concerns of neighbors and visitors.

Suzanne Selfors wrote asking the Council to vote no on the Summer Fair proposal and closing King Harold Vei.

Lindsey Nelson wrote against taking away parking stalls and using the sidewalks for expanding storefronts and restaurants.

Kathy Holodnak wrote against closing King Harold Vei and reducing parking spots.

Dan Sluys asked the Council to listen to the downtown merchants and not close King Harold Vei. He supports the use of sidewalks for merchants to spread out, but not streets and parking spaces. He would like tables and chairs to be added to the Waterfront Park.

4. MAYOR'S REPORT AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Livdahl recognized that they inhabit the traditional land of the Suquamish people, and she expressed her thanks and gratitude for that. Regarding the citizen comments, she's been attending the Monday business recovery Zoom meetings, and she's been listening to the concerns of the business owners. She clarified that the

Mayor's plan was not supposed to be a solution to parking. This town has a parking problem that will need to be fixed soon if they want to have growth. Expanding businesses outside allows people who are not comfortable being indoors to patronize businesses. They have heard from citizens that they would appreciate businesses spilling onto the sidewalks.

Councilmember Lord has been listening and reading all the communications they have received. She is looking forward to the Summer Fair conversation.

Councilmember McGinty thanked everyone for their comments.

Councilmember McVey recognized Councilmember Stern and his completion as president of the Association of Washington Cities. He thanked him for his service. Councilmember McVey also noted that he was saddened to learn of Police Chief Schoonmaker's retirement announcement. He thanked the citizens for all their comments.

Councilmember Musgrove appreciated receiving all the citizen comments. He also thanked Councilmember Stern for his service with the Association of Washington Cities. He congratulated the Poulsbo Historical Society for raising \$37,000 and thanked Poulsbo residents for donating to them. He congratulated Chief Schoonmaker on his retirement. He is happy and proud to have had him as a part of Poulsbo and our lives.

Councilmember Phillips gave Chief Schoonmaker a shout out for his 31 years of police service. He noted that they have an inclusive resolution on the agenda, of which they received zero comments on; however, they received dozens about parking struggles. He stated a few weeks ago they received many emails regarding racial injustice, and he said back then that he was afraid people would fall back into their norm. Tonight, they have fallen back into their norm. He would like to see more dialogue on how to deal with racial injustice instead of how people struggle to get into a parking lot.

Councilmember Stern mentioned the Kitsap Great Give, which happened a month ago and benefitted all the local non-profits. He noted that Coffee Oasis raised over \$62,000.

Mayor Erickson thanked the merchants for their engagement. She wanted to reassure everyone that her motivations were pure. She has nothing to gain from the Summer Fair. She is concerned for the entire Poulsbo community. She thanked everyone voicing their opinion.

a. Department Head Comments

Police Chief Schoonmaker appreciated the comments from Council and the other comments he has received since his retirement was announced. He had an employee, Mary Carol Howerton, who retired after 42 years of service.

Police Chief Schoonmaker also informed the Council about a memorial caravan that will be occurring on July 3rd to honor Stonechild Chiefstick. They are doing a caravan from Suquamish to downtown Poulsbo, and they are expecting to have over 200 vehicles. One of the concerns they are trying to work on is parking for everybody, especially from 7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The parking request is coming from the Police department and the organizers to see if they can get an area of Waterfront Park blocked off to allow an area for people who are coming to the memorial to park.

Mayor Erickson shared a Google Earth picture of the Anderson Parkway parking lot and pointed out the parking they're planning on blocking off. The Council is supportive of blocking off the proposed parking spaces.

Police Chief Schoonmaker hopes the community can be patient with the caravan and recognize the significance of the tribe and family memorializing someone they lost.

City Clerk Fernandez recognized Mary Carol Howerton. She enjoyed working with her over the past four years.

City Engineer Lenius noted that they are busy on development review front, and the second floor is doing well.

Housing, Health, and Human Services Director Hendrickson noted that there will be an update on the Poulsbo CARES initiative that the City is working with Poulsbo Fire and the Police department. She gave an update of the meal and shelter service, sharing that Gateway church has been offering food and shelter to people since April in response to the COVID-19 crisis. Many homeless people lost their ability to shower, do laundry, and rest during the daytime. Gateway opened its doors to people who needed the respite. They have fed hundreds of people who were affected during the economic downturn. Gateway's prepared over 4,000 meals. Gateway received County and private money for their effort. Although, if the City cannot find money for Gateway, they may need to shut down the program soon.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Move to approve Consent Agenda as provided.

The items listed are:

- a.** Payable Disbursements for May 2020
- b.** May 22, 2020 City Council Meeting Minutes Approval

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Stern, **Seconded by** Lord.
Motion carried.

6. BUSINESS AGENDA

a. Resolution No. 2020-14, Welcoming and Inclusive City Reaffirmation

Councilmember Phillips presented the agenda summary, noting the City of Poulsbo wants to reaffirm its commitment to being a welcoming and inclusive city by adopting the proposed resolution. He looks forward to the day when they no longer must pass resolutions for being welcoming and inclusive, a day where equality is inherent in everything we do. Everyone needs to start on equal footing. But until that time, we need to stand up to the face of discrimination, unwanted behavior, treatment that anyone is less or inferior. We are all the same. We have the common goal of living a peaceful life together. Everybody has to belong, and everybody wants to belong. We as a City needs to start that conversation, because it looks like it is going to taper off. This resolution is a statement of facts. He feels most of society probably holds true these values and views, but there are some in our society, either explicitly through hate groups or implicitly through learned behaviors, who still condone discrimination. We, as a City, cannot and will not tolerate this behavior. Everyone is afforded the right to be treated equal under the laws of the United States. He said the City Council will be doing a workshop soon. He said unconscious bias is a hard topic to understand. He noted slavery was not that long ago. Jim Crow laws were not that long ago. People were put on unequal footing. We can call them equal all we want right now, but they are not. Jim Crow Laws have inhibited us to move forward. We may be better off where we are at, but we have a long way to go. They need citizen input. He would like to see more outrage of where we are as a society, than heading into a parking lot. That is an issue for him.

Councilmember Lord thanked Councilmember Phillips for taking the lead. She thinks it is a good first step for the City, it sends a message. She is looking forward to the workshop on Monday.

Councilmember Stern thanked Councilmembers Phillips, Livdahl, McVey, and Housing, Health, & Human Services Director Hendrickson for their work on this. He suggested amending the beginning of resolution to reflect that before Poulsbo was founded, the land was occupied by the Suquamish people. After "City of Poulsbo, Washington," he would like to add "čičuḥac (Tse Tse Lats), Salish Sea" in parentheses.

Councilmembers Phillips, McVey, and Livdahl support the amendment.

Councilmember McVey said during a meeting with some Tribal Council members he heard personal stories from them of how they have not felt comfortable or welcomed in some businesses in Poulsbo. He is happy to be following through with the resolution. It is a first step, there will need to be further commitment behind it. He thanked Councilmember Phillips for taking the lead on the resolution and drafting it.

Councilmember Livdahl thanked Councilmember Stern for the amendment. She said this is a first step, they have to start somewhere.

Councilmember Musgrove said racism and all forms of discrimination by anyone towards anyone for any reason or excuse is unacceptable and stupid.

Councilmember McGinty thanked the three councilmembers for their work. It shows we are listening and moving forward.

Mayor Erickson said men got to vote in 1870, women in 1920. Discrimination in any form – racial, cultural, gender – it is unacceptable in our town.

Motion: Move to approve Resolution No. 2020-14 as amended, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Poulsbo, Washington, reaffirming a commitment to being a welcoming and inclusive city.

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Phillips, **Seconded by** Musgrove.

Motion carried.

b. Sewer Comprehensive Plan – Phase I Consultant Contract

Director of Engineering Kasiniak presented the agenda summary, noting a contract with BHC Consultants will help them complete the Phase I analysis for the Sewer Comprehensive Plan, which plans for the population growth of the next 20 years. The scope of work will include aid to the City in the decision-making process for the preferred long-term conveyance and treatment of future City wastewater flows. This work is funded by Sewer Reserves and was approved as part of the 2019-2020 budget.

Councilmember Lord said the Public Works Committee reviewed this project and recommended approval.

Motion: Move to approve the contract with BHC Consultants in the amount of \$117,040.00 for the completion of phase I analysis for the City of Poulsbo Sewer Comprehensive Plan and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract on behalf of the City.

Action: Approve, **Moved by** McVey, **Seconded by** Lord.

Motion carried.

c. Resolution No. 2020-15, Interlocal Agreement with The Interlocal Purchasing System

Finance Director Booher presented the agenda summary, noting the Finance Department requests the City Council to authorize the City of Poulsbo to enter into an interlocal purchasing agreement with Region 8 Education Service Center, located in Pittsburg, Texas (Camp County), pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Act, as amended and codified in RCW Chapter 39.34.

Councilmember Stern reported the Finance-Administration Committee reviewed this and recommended approval.

Motion: Move to approve Resolution No. 2020-15, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Poulsbo, Washington on the subject of establishing an interlocal agreement between the City of Poulsbo, Washington and The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS).

Action: Approve, **Moved by** McGinty, **Seconded by** Stern.

Motion carried.

d. Approval of Poulsbo's COVID-19 Response Plan

Mayor Erickson presented the agenda summary, noting she is seeking Council approval for the City's COVID-19 Response Plan. She reiterated that the \$335,000 the must be used, or it will go back to the State. The projects Mayor Erickson is seeking approval on include:

- Poulsbo Cares Grant Program
- Fjord Drive Pedestrian Safety Improvements (One-Way) Fjord
- Summer Fair Proposal

Poulsbo Cares Grant Program. The idea is to give grants, upon application, to small businesses throughout the City. They currently have \$50,000 slated for the grants,

but if they spend less money in other areas of the budget, they may be able to grant more.

Councilmember McVey supports the business grant program. They discussed making an addition to the document at a previous meeting, but he does not see it. He said it is important that the grants are for public facing businesses, not home-based or consulting businesses. He would like to see that reflected.

Mayor Erickson noted they will add a line stating that the businesses must be forward facing, meaning they have a lot more direct customer contact.

Councilmember McGinty asked how the approval process will take place. Mayor Erickson answered that they would draft an application form along with the policy, and businesses would have to submit certain documents that support the business license, documents demonstrating that the business does not have more than 15 employees, along with other documents that support the policies. The Council will review the applications, along with a few staff members, to approve the grants.

Councilmember Musgrove suggested dividing the money fairly and equally between businesses in Poulsbo using the criteria that they are public facing, forced to shut down, and had less than 15 employees. If they meet the criteria, it would be easy to review and distribute. He also suggested a different scope, rather than handing out money, they could leverage the money. They could do things that would help them more. For example, the City could reduce city business license fees to zero. He shared other options being done by other jurisdictions. He read the guidelines for the federal CARES Act funding. He said they could feed people who need it and helping people from losing their homes and going onto welfare, they will save more money. In a general sense, they could leverage this money much better to directly help all of Poulsbo, and not just certain individuals.

Councilmember Lord suggested that the money is divided in a fair way, like the lodging tax. The application amounts will probably be more than they have available to give, but then they can figure out how to be equitable in dividing the money.

Councilmember Phillips likes Councilmember Musgrove's idea about taking the number of applications divided by the available money, giving all applicants the same amount. He suggested allowing businesses who have been open before January 1, 2020, being eligible for grants.

Motion: Move to approve with modifications the policy as presented to establish the Poulsbo Cares Grant Program.

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Phillips, **Seconded by** McVey.

Discussion: Councilmember McVey noted that they are just discussing the policies, and later they can debate how they divide the funds. This has been discussed for a couple of weeks. It would have been helpful to receive suggestions earlier.

Councilmember Lord asked if they could add to the motion that they will hammer out at a later point how to divvy up the funds.

Motion to amend: Move to amend the motion adding they will determine how the money will be distributed at a later date.

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Lord, **Seconded by** Livdahl.

Motion to amend carried.

Councilmember Musgrove clarified his earlier comments were to suggest the CARES Act funding could easily be spent very quickly if they never did anything for businesses. He also said he has been voicing personal ideas and ideas of businesses for weeks during the business meetings and Council meetings, and he and other business members of the community are frustrated because it seems no one is listening.

Amended motion carried.

Fjord Drive One-Way Proposal. Public Works Superintendent Lund presented the Fjord Drive One-Way project. The proposal is to take the northbound lane and make that a shared use path, and the southbound lane will be one-way from Hostmark to 6th Avenue. Since the last meeting, the traffic study is under review, plus they did site visits with citizens and pedestrians. They met with the Fire Department, who were supportive of the idea.

City Engineer Lenius pointed out that the purpose of the traffic study is to look at what would happen when you insert the one-way southbound vs. northbound. Results were slightly better southbound. The study showed the impact at 6th and Hostmark is not as big as they initially thought it would be based on the modeling.

Councilmember Stern asked if the budget could accommodate adding speed tables on Fjord as well as the ones that will be added to 6th Avenue. Public Works Superintendent Lund noted that one-waying will give cars a little more room, but the striping will still look like a narrow road. In the future, they can look into additional radar speed signs.

Councilmember McVey asked City Engineer Lenius if the traffic study suggested not putting a stop sign at Hostmark and 6th. She confirmed that the model did not warrant a 3-way stop on 6th. It is something that they will monitor.

Councilmember Lord stated that while she supports the concept of one-waying Fjord, they have had problems with Fjord for a long time, and they really need to analyze all of Fjord. With the roundabout coming, traffic is going to change dramatically. She has a problem using CARES Act funds for a project they have been thinking about since before COVID. The \$60,000-\$70,000 budget would go a long way in helping the community during the pandemic. She has no objections to one-waying Fjord southbound. She prefers using money from their reserves.

Councilmember Livdahl doesn't believe they would be having the conversation for Fjord right now if it wasn't for COVID. This is a temporary fix for the problem, but one they need now.

Councilmember Phillips fully supports one-waying Fjord. Yes, it may have been an issue before this, but they are addressing it now, and he is curious why it has taken so long.

Councilmember Musgrove agreed with Councilmember Lord. There is no doubt that there is a problem with Fjord Drive. They have been working for years to create a solution. He fears if it is done this way, it will be a piece that is done, and orphaned. If this is a COVID emergency item, then this could be paid for with emergency dollars if the Mayor did an emergency traffic revision. This could have been done weeks ago, which would have been a safety issue. He wants to use different funding sources to take care of Fjord properly. They need a permanent inclusive plan for that neighborhood and do it right for the people that live down there.

Mayor Erickson said this is a COVID emergency. It takes time to make sure the engineering is done correctly and make sure what they do is accurate.

Motion: Move to approve the COVID-19 modification to Fjord Drive as presented, making the travel lanes one-way southbound from Hostmark Street to 6th Avenue.

Action: Approve, **Moved by** McVey, **Seconded by** Phillips.

Discussion: Councilmember McGinty has been listening to both sides of the debate. He doesn't see a viable funding source for the project, and feels the project needs to move forward. Councilmember Musgrove said they have to stay on this project, he wants better for that neighborhood.

Vote: (summary: Yes = 5, No = 2, Abstain = 0).

Yes: Livdahl, McGinty, McVey, Phillips, Stern

No: Lord, Musgrove

Motion carried.

Summer Fair. Mayor Erickson spoke about the proposed Summer Fair, and she wanted to clarify that it does not close Front Street. The Summer Fair is a voluntary program that allows businesses to flow into spaces that they normally have not had access to because of the code. It is not just for downtown - it is for all of Poulsbo. The idea is to reduce government regulation by giving businesses more space if they choose. Mayor Erickson showed many places around town where businesses already have and where they could get creative with their Summer Fair. She pointed out that the downtown merchants were not happy with the idea of closing King Harald Vei, so if the Council wants to, they can get rid of that location.

Mayor Erickson stated that if they would like to buy some tables and chairs for Waterfront Park, there is a potential line item for it. Another merchant suggested changing the Front Street parking to 20-minute parking to facilitate restaurant takeout.

Councilmember Livdahl agreed with the 20-minute time limit on Front Street. The idea of sitting street-side in a parking space with tables does not have to appeal to everyone. It is an option for people who would rather sit outside in a parking space than inside the restaurant. They all have different preferences. This gives businesses flexibility.

Councilmember McVey thanked Mayor Erickson for the work she has done on the proposal. He has read all the comments he has received. He supports many aspects of the proposal. He is not in favor of closing off King Harald Vei, nor is he in favor of expanding businesses into parking spaces or sidewalks on Front Street. For him, it is a public safety issue. He also wants included in the application that the business

provide the City with a certificate of insurance naming the City as additionally insured for up to \$1MM, and ask them to indemnify the City.

Councilmember Phillips liked the 20-minute parking limit on Front Street and tables and chairs in Waterfront Park. While many customers would enjoy dining in the King Harold Vei area, since businesses do not want to it closed, it is a dead issue. He agreed with Councilmember McVey about Front Street.

Councilmember Stern concurred with Councilmember McVey. He believes 20-minute parking without enforcement is toothless. He thinks the execution is impossible.

Councilmember Lord thanked Councilmember McVey for his thoughts and agreed with him. She thinks it is a great proposal, excluding King Harold Vei closure and Front Street.

Motion: Move to accept the Summer Fair plan that was presented to them this evening with the exception of under "Temporary Outdoor Area" adding "with the exception of King Harald Vei and Front Street" to the first sentence.

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Lord, **Seconded by** McGinty.

Discussion: Councilmember McGinty reiterated that the proposal is to attempt to help City businesses. He thinks this is a good start.

Councilmember Musgrove thinks it was an error in not having all the comments that people sent to Council read out loud. He said it is a great idea, and it works in some areas, but not others. He wants to make sure they are not helping some and hurting others. There is not enough parking downtown, it is a different situation than other areas in the City. The business owners have been specific about what will and will not work. He made an amendment to the motion, to not allow using any parking in the downtown C-1 Commercial District. The amendment was not seconded.

Councilmember Livdahl stated that saying no using parking and sidewalks downtown does hurt some businesses who want to move outside. She understands they want to keep it safe for everyone; it is an application process, and if they cannot meet the criteria for safety, then they cannot participate. She understands the parking situation, but she feels it would only be a few spaces what would be used.

Councilmember McVey continues to believe that Front Street is too narrow to move outside. He is not willing to take the extra liability if a car hit someone in the street. He feels exempting all of downtown is too restrictive.

Councilmember McGinty wondered how many parking spaces they may lose if businesses move outside. Mayor Erickson answered that no one has asked for spaces in Anderson Parkway. The Burrata Bistro and Paella Bar have repeatedly asked for outdoor spaces.

Councilmember McVey asked Mayor Erickson who would review the applications. Mayor Erickson answered that it would be treated like a special event application. It's taken by the Clerk's office and reviewed by Community Services.

Motion carried.

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance-Administration Committee: Councilmember Stern reported they looked at the implications of Phase 3 not being granted. They asked about pending litigation, and the Mayor will start providing the Council with updates. For the Official Newspaper RFP, all proposals came back incomplete, the Seattle Times was selected for final negotiation. Revenues are tracking a little stronger than they originally feared, but sales tax and real estate excise tax are down. They also reviewed open positions in City Hall. The Auditor's Exit interview is July 22. They reviewed Neighborhood Streets and will re-review the City Administrator position with Council at the beginning of next year.

Planning and Economic Development Committee: Councilmember Lord reported on a project status update. Housing and development has not slowed down (500 single family lots and 649 multi-family units, and 34,000 sf of commercial/industrial in queue). Long range projects include: Housing Action Plan, Buildable Lands update, and a consultant is working on the Best Available Science Update for the Shoreline Master Program. They have coordination on the "centers" designation, which comes down from PSRC. The Planning Department has two interns from Western Washington University. One will work on wayfinding signage, and the other will work on projects as they come along. Nikole Coleman has been promoted to the Senior Planner position.

8. BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS

Councilmember Phillips reported that the North Kitsap School District has two models for fall. The first model is a hybrid of two days in class, three days online. The second model is online school only. It looks like families get to choose which one they want.

Councilmember Stern reported at the PSRC Economic Development District meeting they recognized John Powers, who is retiring from KEDA and discussed a grant application that went to the Economic Development Administration in Washington, D.C. for a set aside for the Central Puget Sound District. If it is awarded, they will be looking at broadband needs and in-fill within the four counties.

Mayor Erickson attended the annual PSRC meeting.

9. CONTINUED COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Rick Eckert, NKSD, stated the Superintendent sent out next year's tentative plan, which will be a hybrid model or families choosing an online model. It is only tentative, and they will wait and see.

Motion: Move to extend the agenda to complete the business agenda.

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Stern, **Seconded by** Livdahl.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Erickson asked City Clerk Fernandez to share the rest of the comments with Councilmembers, which she noted that all Council comments were already forwarded.

Councilmember Musgrove asked that all comments not read at the meeting be attached to the meeting record.

The following written comments asked to be read during the meeting:

- Elise Lee wrote in opposition of closing King Harold Vei due to traffic, parking, and sanitation concerns.
- Leanne Musgrove wrote in opposition of closing King Harold Vei or taking away parking downtown. She supports adding tables and chairs to the Waterfront Park.
- The HDPA Board of Directors shared results from a poll they sent to their members. Regarding closing King Harold Vei: 33 No, 4 Yes. They asked the Council to vote no to closing King Harold Vei.
- Susannah May wrote in opposition of closing King Harold Vei and losing parking; she does not want to add stress to shoppers who want to come and support downtown businesses.
- Terry and Mary May asked the Council to not make it harder for them to shop downtown by closing King Harold Vei and/or removing parking.
- Rebecca May wrote in opposition to closing King Harold Vei and limiting parking, it creates difficulties accessing downtown and finding parking to visit merchants.
- Tracey Joines wrote about the Fjord Drive One-Way proposal and asked that the City not make the road one way, but instead add speed control measures to both

Fjord Drive and 6th Avenue and educate pedestrians on how to safely social distance.

- Liz Le Dorze and Jeff Rulffes wrote that they disagree with closing King Harold Vei.
- Thomas Wilson wrote regarding his dissatisfaction of the Mayor and Council's responses regarding the death of Stonechild Chiefstick and the internal investigation. He invited them to attend the memorial on July 3 for Stonechild.
- Stephanie Sluys wrote stating the Summer Fair proposal was not a good fit for downtown businesses due to lack of parking. She supports adding tables and chairs to the Waterfront Park. She asked that Front Street be removed from the Summer Fair proposal and that King Harold Vei be left open.
- Lynn Myrvang wrote that Fjord Drive should remain open with two lanes, and add pedestrian/bike path to 6th Avenue, or fix the south end of 3rd Ave; and how the Summer Fair proposal would be detrimental to downtown businesses.
- Jennifer David asked the Council use other areas than the parking for overflow for business merchants because parking is already too hard to find during the summer months.

10. MAYOR & COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Lord thanked the Mayor and Council for all for all the work they do. They don't always agree, but they respect each other, and she appreciates that.

Councilmember Musgrove noted they need to look at things that they are going to get hit with due to COVID soon. For example, starting worker training for childcare. There is a whole population of parents who will need childcare so they can go to work when kids are learning from home.

Mayor Erickson thanked everyone for a robust conversation. She brought these ideas forward, because she is worried about businesses not being able to recover, and she is still worried.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Move to adjourn at 10:02 p.m.,

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Stern, **Seconded by** McGinty.

Motion carried unanimously.

Rebecca Erickson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rhiannon Fernandez, CMC, City Clerk