

Oak Harbor City Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
June 7, 2022

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Pro Tem Munns called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Invocation** – Pastor Greg Steible, Whidbey Presbyterian Church

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Led by Mayor Pro Tem Munns

**ROLL CALL**

City Council Present:

Mayor Robert Severns - absent  
Mayor Pro Tem Beth Munns  
Councilmember Tara Hizon  
Councilmember Dan Evans  
Councilmember Shane Hoffmire  
Councilmember Jim Woessner  
Councilmember Bryan Stucky  
Councilmember Eric Marshall

Staff Present/Videoconference

City Administrator Blaine Oborn  
Finance Director David Goldman  
Development Services Director David Kuhl  
Public Works Director Steve Schuller  
City Engineer Alex Warner  
Fire Chief Ray Merrill  
Police Chief Kevin Dresker  
Central Services Supervisor Sandra Place  
Communications & IT Manager Sabrina Combs  
Executive Assistant Macalle Finkle  
City Clerk Julie Lindsey

Also in attendance: City Interim Attorneys  
Hillary J. Evans and Robert Zeinemann of Kenyon Dis-  
end, PLLC

**1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor Pro Tem Munns explained she was conducting the meeting this evening on behalf of Mayor Severns and called for any changes to the agenda. Hearing none, the agenda was approved as presented.

**2. PRESENTATIONS**

- a. Proclamations – None
- b. Honors & Recognitions - None

- c. Community Presentations – None

### 3. CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD

Mayor Pro Tem Munns explained citizens could comment on subjects of interest. Public comment could be submitted via the online webform, electronically to the City Clerk at [jlindsey@oakharbor.org](mailto:jlindsey@oakharbor.org) or by calling 360-279-4571 after 5 p.m. on the Friday preceding the meeting and prior to the meeting. To ensure all comments are recorded properly, please state your name clearly when leaving a message. Please limit comments to three minutes.

The Council received a number of public comments since the May 17, 2022 meeting. Comments were received from Ellen Schwartz, Bill Weinsheimer, Ty Welch, Timothy Haslet, Danyel Boyd, Franci Blumhagen, Richard Nash, Jim Boyle, Shawna K., Jean Hamer Clarke, D. Randy and Karen A. Riggs, Brooke Stout, Wendy Shingleton, Kathleen Quinn, Therese Kingsbury, and Mary Elizabeth Hines, regarding opinions both in favor of and against the Angel of Creativity sculpture. Other comments were received from Maribeth Crandall regarding public restrooms, Charlene Neustal thanking Oak Harbor Police and Fire Fighters, Jon Walkiw regarding school safety, and Cody West regarding the City's new permitting software. These comments were provided to Council and displayed during the meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Munns opened the floor for public comment from any audience member present.

1. Sue Karahalios of Oak Harbor addressed the Council to comment on parliamentary procedure
2. Claudia Samano of Oak Harbor spoke in support of the Angel de la Creatividad sculpture.
3. Kristi Dutton of Oak Harbor spoke in opposition to the Angel de la Creatividad sculpture.
4. Celine Servatius of Oak Harbor spoke in support of the Angel de la Creatividad sculpture.
5. Joel Servatius of Oak Harbor spoke in support of art and particularly the Angel de la Creatividad sculpture.
6. Tina Gluth of Oak Harbor spoke in opposition to the Angel de la Creatividad sculpture.
7. John Kingsbury of Oak Harbor spoke in support of the Angel de la Creatividad sculpture.
8. Vicki Graham, Executive Director of the Greater Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce, provided an update on upcoming Chamber activities, including the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend events and the Military Appreciation Picnic, scheduled for September 10<sup>th</sup> from 12-4.
9. Les Richardson of Oak Harbor spoke regarding the proposed location of the Angel de la Creatividad sculpture and asked that it be placed elsewhere than the proposed Windjammer Park location.
10. Michelle Osula of Oak Harbor spoke in support of the Angel de la Creatividad sculpture.
11. Carrie Wig of Oak Harbor spoke in support of the Angel de la Creatividad sculpture.
12. Glen Cart of Oak Harbor spoke in opposition to the Angel de la Creatividad sculpture.
13. Tiffany Scribner of Oak Harbor spoke in support of the Angel de la Creatividad sculpture.

14. Shelly Richardson of Oak Harbor spoke concerning the proposed placement of the Angel de la Creatividad sculpture and her concern for maintenance costs for the sculpture.
15. Debbie Carter McNeil of Oak Harbor spoke in favor of maintaining a Dutch theme.
16. Jean Haner Clarke of Oak Harbor spoke in support of the Angel de la Creatividad sculpture but was opposed to the proposed location.
17. Bill Wischnier of Oak Harbor spoke in support of art and the Angel de la Creatividad sculpture.

Hearing no other comments, the public comment period was closed.

#### **4. CONSENT AGENDA**

##### Consent Items

- a. Approval of Minutes of the May 17, 2022 City Council Meeting, the May 25, 2022 Council Workshop and the June 1, 2022 Special Council Meeting
- b. Approval of Payroll and Accounts Payable Vouchers
- c. Purchase Authorization – Unleaded and Diesel Fuel

Mayor Pro Tem Munns called for any changes to the consent agenda. Hearing none, it was approved as presented.

#### **5. MAYOR, COUNCIL & STAFF COMMENTS**

- a. Mayor - Mayor Pro Tem Munns provided the following comments and updates on behalf of Mayor Severns:

Student Acknowledgements: Congratulations to the following students for their achievements:

Oak Harbor Intermediate School 6th grader Kylie Hawkins was recently chosen for induction into the 2022 AAA School Safety Patrol Hall of Fame for her outstanding leadership and dedication to Traffic Safety.

Oak Harbor High School Senior Saxophonist Ralph Ramier has been selected by the Navy Sea Cadet Corps School of Music to train at the school before performing at multiple ceremonies and the Independence Day Parade in Washington, D.C.

Community Events:

The weekly Farmers Market is taking place at Windjammer Park on Sundays from 11 am – 3 pm this summer.

“Buskers on the Corner” began last week on Friday, June 3. This event will offer live music from local musicians and take place every Friday through August 26 between 5 and 6 pm in the pop-up Plaza Stage at Pioneer Way and Dock Street.

The Sasquatch Walk is June 25 between 1 and 5 pm. Register to join in the fun and enjoy a bite at downtown restaurants. Sign up on the Oak Harbor Main Street Association website.

Fourth of July festivities will take place Saturday, July 2 through Monday, July 4. Visit the Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce website for more details.

## Office Closures:

On June 17, 2022 City offices will be closed to the public beginning at noon to allow our staff to attend the memorial service for Amy Stevens. Amy served the City of Oak Harbor for over three decades working in both Public Works and Finance.

City offices will also be closed on Monday, June 20, 2022 in observance of Juneteenth.

### b. Councilmembers

Mayor Pro Tem Munns turned to Council for their comments and questions.

Mayor Pro Tem Munns and Councilmembers Hoffmire, Evans, Stucky, Marshall and Woessner provided their respective questions and comments.

## 6. PUBLIC HEARINGS & MEETINGS

### a. Ordinance No. 1945: 2019 Department of Ecology Stormwater Manual Adoption Action

City Engineer Warner presented the ordinance, which was reviewed at the Council's May 25, 2022 Workshop. He explained the City owns and operates a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Phase 2 Permit issued by the Washington State Department of Ecology. Continued legal operation of our MS4, is predicated on compliance with the requirements of the permit. The permit requires, inter alia, that owners of MS4s adopt certain standards applicable to ensuring that pollutants in stormwater are reduced to the maximum extent possible using all known, available, and reasonable methods of prevention, control, and treatment. These standards are published in a document known as the Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington. The permit requires the City to adopt the latest published edition, the 2019. The Oak Harbor Municipal Code must be updated to reflect this to comply with the permit.

Engineer Warner reviewed the revisions made after discussion at the workshop which were subsequently further reviewed and approved by the City Attorney. He explained these revisions are specific to the 2019 Stormwater Management Manual and will be amending Sections 1 of Ordinance No. 1945: 12.30.310, 20.02.020, and 21.10.070, as well as adopting Section 12.30.311, all of which were necessary to comply with the permit.

Mayor Pro Tem Munns opened the Public Hearing and confirmed no public comments were received on this item. She opened the floor for public comment from those present. Hearing no comments, the Public Hearing was closed.

There were no questions or comments from the Council.

**Motion:** Councilmember Woessner moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1945: amending OHMC Section 12.30.310, adopting OHMC 12.30.311, and amending OHMC 20.02.020 and amending OHMC 21.10.070. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Stucky. The vote on the motion carried unanimously.

### b. Ordinance No. 1950: Zoning Code Revisions - Housekeeping

Development Services Director Kuhl reviewed the ordinance updates as follows, noting the text amendments had been approved 4-1 by the Planning Commission at their May 24, 2022 meeting:

Fire Sprinklers (Section 8.05.050) For the purpose of increasing fire safety between multi-family units a code change is proposed. The language will require installation of residential fire sprinkler systems in duplex and townhouse dwelling units.

Existing Buildings (8.05.020) The second proposed code change involves cleaning up a section of the existing building code that establishes any alteration or restoration of a building at 60% of the current replacement value of a particular building or structure. The non-conforming section of the OHMC establishes this at 50% of the replacement value excluding foundations. This proposal would match the language in the existing building code with the non-conforming code and would bring both code sections into alignment.

Permitted Principal Uses in Industrial Zoning (19.20.730) The third area of clarification is the industrial permitted uses section (19.20.730). With the recently approved Zoning Matrix, there was a section of code that was inadvertently left in the code. This code section should be deleted as it is redundant with the same provisions in the new matrix. This is a simple fix.

Accessory Dwelling Units (19.42.050) The fourth area proposed for a code change is the requirement for a property owner to reside on the site of an accessory dwelling unit. This was once a common approach to control what happens on a suburban property, but with the increase in density in neighborhoods, this approach is no longer needed.

Director Kuhl explained there had been questions from Council regarding Sections 8.05.050 and 8.05.020 – Fire Sprinklers. He noted the Council could elect to approve some or all of the revisions and if changes were desired, staff will bring those back to the Council in a workshop meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Munns opened the Public Hearing and confirmed no public comment was received on this item. Hearing no comments, the Public Hearing was closed.

Councilmembers Hizon, Woessner and Mayor Pro Tem Munns provided their respective questions and comments and requested input from Fire Chief Merrill in regard to the proposed sprinkler systems requirements. He explained the State of Washington Building Council does require sprinklers in town homes, however the City of Oak Harbor has not yet adopted that requirement.

**Motion:** Councilmember Hoffmire moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1950: recommend approval of the OHMC Text Amendment relating to “housekeeping”, OHMC Section 8.05.050, 8.05.020, 19.42.050, 19.20.730, 19.42.060. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Woessner. Councilmember Woessner offered a friendly amendment to delete Sections 8.05.050 and 8.05.020 from the proposed Ordinance. The friendly amendment was seconded by Councilmember Hoffmire. The vote on the friendly amendment passed unanimously. Mayor Pro Tem Munns called for a vote to approve Ordinance No. 1950 as amended. The motion passed unanimously

c. Ordinance No. 1951: Amending the 2021-22 Biennial Budget – ARPA Funding

Finance Director Goldman presented the item, the purpose of which was to appropriate American Rescue Plan funding to City Council approved projects / initiatives as discussed at the March 2022 City Council Workshop and the May 3, 2022 City Council Meeting. He explained Budget Amendments only affect the currently adopted City Council budget (through the end of 2022); projects/initiatives/temporary positions that extended beyond 2022 will automatically be included in the 2023-2024 preliminary biennial budget presented to the City Council in the fall. Remaining items include:

Funding for a limited term Economic Development Coordinator position through the end of 2024. \$57,000 (reduced from \$65,000) would be included in this budget amendment for 2022 to cover a half

a year expenses (based on approximate annual salary of \$75,000 plus benefits). The remainder of the funding (\$212,780) would be included in the next biennial budget. During the 2021-22 biennial budget process in 2020, the City Council developed seven budget goals. The first goal is economic development and the first objective listed is the creation of a staff position with specific objectives to promote and develop economic diversity and targeted growth. This proposed position aligns with that goal.

\$100,000 for the Serendipity Lane project (reduced from \$200,000). The Main Street group approached the City of Oak Harbor with a proposal to build a walkable lane in the downtown. This lane would connect Pioneer Way with Bayshore Drive. The goal is to tie the two streets together and provide a protected walkable corridor that will lead to the park and shoreline at Flintstone Park. The challenge our downtown faces involves an activity level that needs improvement. Although there are viable shops and businesses downtown, the area lacks an awareness by tourists that it exists. Adding this component will provide an aesthetic experience for people visiting downtown the first time and will draw people back to the area. Further, this lane would provide a sense of connectivity that does not exist now, and it would provide better circulation from Pioneer to Bayshore.

\$400,000 for City-wide Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) initiative. \$305,000 of General Fund, Utility Funds, and other funds has been included in the 2022 budget and 2023 Capital Improvement Plan. This would use ARPA funding in place of future allocations of those funding sources (\$305,000) and add \$95,000 to bring the budget up to a level that 1) we are finding from discussions with comparable local governments and 2) provide funding for additional modules that will enhance productivity. As presented to the City Council in January 2021, our current financial, payroll, human resources, budgeting, and project accounting system (EDEN) is 17 years old and the vendor (Tyler Technologies) has stopped innovating it. We recently received communication from the vendor that they will be sunsetting EDEN in a few years. EDEN customers have been slowly migrating to other ERP systems, including Tyler Technology's Munis ERP system which is becoming the standard system in more and more local governments. After receiving this communication, we contacted a few nearby cities that still use EDEN and some have responded that they will be using ARPA funds to upgrade their system in the next 12-24 months. Upgrading our system provides an opportunity to move to a system with the latest technology but also take advantage of new modules, processes, and efficiencies that will save time and labor costs city-wide.

\$100,000 for City-wide Enterprise Resource Planning initiative funding for a part-time eighteen-month temporary part-time (20 hours per week) staffer to focus on successful implementation. Research shows that the most important aspect of transitioning to a ERP is in the proper implementation. Having a dedicated staffer to assist with the coordination of the implementation process will be key to helping ensure that implementation goes as planned. The wage and salary schedule and plan of classification has been updated to reflect 2022 wage ranges and current positions status.

\$100,000 to construct Portland Loo type restrooms at Flintstone Park. The \$100,000 of ARPA funding will replace \$75,000 of General Fund money and add \$25,000. The project will include demolition of the old restrooms, slab poured, asphalt work, camera system relocated, plumbing and electrical work, and the installation of new restrooms.

Mayor Pro Tem Munns opened the Public Hearing and confirmed no public comment was received on this item.

1. Vicki Graham, Executive Director of the Greater Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce addressed the Council regarding the Portland Loos.

Hearing no further comments, the Public Hearing was closed.

Councilmembers Hizon, Hoffmire, Stucky, Marshall, Evans, Woessner and Mayor Pro Tem Munns provided their respective questions and comments.

**Motion:** Councilmember Hoffmire moved to Adopt Ordinance No. 1951 Budget Amendment #8 amending the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget as presented with the exception \$75,000 towards Portland Loos, and a Planning Initiative Consultant instead of a part-time staffer and adopt an updated wage and salary schedule and plan of classification. Councilmember Woessner seconded the motion. Councilmember Marshall offered a friendly amendment to hold over the funding for the Economic Development Coordinator position until the Council had a chance to research and vet it. The friendly amendment was seconded by Councilmember Evans. The vote on the friendly amendment carried with 4 in favor (Councilmembers Evans, Marshall, Hizon, and Mayor Pro Tem Munns) and 3 opposed (Councilmembers Woessner, Stucky and Hoffmire). The vote on the motion as amended carried 6-1 with Councilmember Woessner opposed.

## 7. ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

- a. Ordinance No. 1952: Amending OHMC 6.12.090 to Allow Limited Camping in City Parks

City Administrator Oborn reviewed the revisions, noting they were presented in detail at the May 25, 2022 Council Workshop. The City of Oak Harbor has a long history of being part of the Washington Water Trails with camping permitted at Windjammer Park (formerly City Beach). However, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 1876 on May 21, 2019, prohibiting camping in City parks with no exceptions.

The Washington Water Trails Association (WWTA) along with City staff recommend amending the Oak Harbor Municipal Code (OHMC) to allow an exception for overnight camping in a designated area of Windjammer Park for nonpowered boaters (i.e., kayak, canoe, rowboat) traveling the Cascade Marina Trail. If the OHMC is amended to allow restricted overnight camping, then staff will seek Council approval to update the agreement with the WWTA for water access and camping to be allowed by permit at the historically designated area at Windjammer Park. There have also been requests to allow limited camping in Catalina Park and the Oak Harbor Marina during special events. City staff also recommends amending the OHMC to allow an exception for overnight camping at Catalina Park and the Marina as part of a Special Event Permit and with Harbormaster approval. The proposed Ordinance No. 1952 will allow two specific exceptions to No Camping in City parks as noted above.

Mayor Pro Tem Munns confirmed no public comment had been received on this item and called for any comments from those in attendance.

Margaret Bootz of Washington Water Trails noted if the Ordinance was approved, their Association has stewardship programs for maintenance.

Mayor Pro Tem Munns and Councilmember Hizon provided their respective questions and comments.

**Motion:** Councilmember Hizon moved to approve Ordinance No. 1952 as presented, Amending Oak Harbor Municipal Code Section 6.12.090 to allow limited Camping in City Parks; Providing for Severability; and establishing an Effective Date. Councilmember Woessner seconded the motion. Councilmember Stucky inquired of Chief of Police Dresker if he had concerns with the proposed amendment. Chief Dresker noted he had reviewed and had no objections to the updates proposed. The vote on the motion to approve Ordinance No. 1952 carried unanimously.

**Motion:** Councilmember Hizon moved to suspend the Council rules and extend the meeting to 10:00 p.m., seconded by Councilmember Marshall. The vote on the motion passed unanimously.

- b. Resolution 22-11: Authorizing funds from the Creative Arts Fund to install the Patrick McVay "Acorn" Sculpture

City Archeologist Cauffman presented the item. City Council approved the location of Patrick McVay's Acorn at their meeting of February 15, 2022 through Resolution 22-02. The purpose of this action is to provide funding for the installation, which will require fabrication of a 3/8" sheet of steel to resemble a Garry Oak leaf and anchoring it to the existing sidewalk. Archeologist Cauffman provided background information regarding the design and installation of the sculpture, as well as a proposed timeline. He thanked Project Manager Arvidson and Building Official Pennington for their assistance.

The request to Council was to approve \$12,000 for installation, using the Creative Arts Fund.

Mayor Pro Tem Munns confirmed there were no comments received from the public on this item.

Councilmembers Evans and Woessner provided their respective questions and comments. Councilmember Evans noted he would prefer the language in the motion to be "up to \$12,000".

**Motion:** Councilmember Woessner moved to adopt Resolution 22-11, authorizing up to \$12,000 from the Creative Arts Fund to be used for the installation of Patrick McVay's The Acorn. Councilmember Hoffmire seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## 8. CONTRACTS & AGREEMENTS

- a. Confirm Mayoral Appointment of Hillary J. Evans as the City Attorney and Authorize Execution of an Agreement for Legal Services with Kenyon Disend, PLL Services Agreement: Amendment No. 5 – Moffatt & Nichol for Marina Boat Ramp Dock Emergency Repair

City Administrator Oborn explained the City is currently represented by the legal firm of Kenyon Disend, PLLC with Hillary J. Evans serving as the City's Interim City Attorney. The City first contracted with Kenyon Disend for legal services on October 4, 2021, after a solicitation process. The City Attorney is principally responsible for performing all legal work for the City, except prosecution of criminal cases, matters where defense is provided exclusively through insurance coverage, matters in which a conflict of interest exists, or as may otherwise be assigned by the Mayor.

The City put out an Request for Proposal (RFP) for Attorney services earlier this year and received just one proposal, which came from Kenyon Disend. At the request of the advisory committee for legal services, which included three members of Council, the City also advertised for an in-house attorney and received zero applications. The advisory committee recommends the appointment of Hillary J. Evans as the City Attorney. City Administrator Oborn acknowledged the excellent legal services of Hillary J. Evans and the Kenyon Disend team.

Mayor Pro Tem Munns confirmed no public comment had been received on this item.

Mayor Pro Tem Munns and Councilmember Hoffmire provided their respective questions and comments.

**Motion:** Councilmember Stucky moved to confirm the Mayoral appointment of Hillary J. Evans as the City Attorney and authorize execution of an agreement for legal services with Kenyon Disend, PLLC. Councilmember Hizon seconded the motion, which carried unanimously

b. 2022 Hot Mix Asphalt Overlay Contract Award

City Engineer Warner presented the item. He explained the City of Oak Harbor residents passed the Transportation Benefit District (TBD) initiative in November 2019. For the past two years the City has contracted with Island County to perform the Transportation Benefit District Projects which provided asphalt overlays and chip sealing for local residential streets.

This year Island County is performing only the chip seal work, and the overlays are being handled in-house under a separate contract. The overlay work has been designed by the City of Oak Harbor Engineering Division as the first project in our In-House Engineering Program (IHEP). Our engineer's estimate for this overlay work is in the range of \$1,100,000.00 to \$1,300,000.00.

All the streets other than E Whidbey Ave will be paid by the TBD in the amount of \$718,074.00.

E Whidbey Ave will be paid by the Annual Overlay Streets Fund in the amount of \$309,501.00.

Bids were publicly opened at City Hall on May 25, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. The results of the bid opening are as follows: Engineer's Estimate \$1,100,000.00 to \$1,300,000.00 Krieg Construction \$1,027,575.00 Lakeside Construction \$1,258,188.00 Staff recommends the contract be awarded to the responsive and responsible bidder Krieg Construction. In addition, per Oak Harbor's Purchasing Policy Manual, change order allowance shall be 20% of the original contract awarded or an accumulated total of \$100,000.00, whichever is less administered by the Department Director. Schedule Following award of the contract, construction is expected to begin in June 2022 and conclude in October 2022

Mayor Pro Tem Munns confirmed no public comment had been received on this item.

Councilmember Hizon provided her respective questions and comments.

**Motion:** Councilmember Hizon moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the construction contract with Krieg Construction for the 2022 Hot Mix Asphalt Overlay Project in the amount of \$1,027,575.00 and authorize the Public Works Director to execute change orders up to \$100,000.00 in total. Councilmember Hoffmire seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## 9. OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

a. Whidbey Camano Land Trust: Conservation Easements

Development Services Director Kuhl introduced Ryan Elting, Conservation Director for the Whidbey Camano Land Trust. Mr. Elting provided a presentation and explained they were bringing to the Council a proposal to allow the Whidbey Camano Land Trust, a 501c3 non-profit, to acquire a conservation easement on Bell's Farm North - 130 acres, and in the Joint Planning area of Oak Harbor and Island County - 70 acres. This property totals approximately 200-210 acres and would be funded through a grant application with the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP). Mr. Elting explained the mission of the Land Trust and noted they only work with willing landowners. He stated this conservation easement proposal was backed by Senator Ron Muzzall.

Director Kuhl explained State law, RCW 79A.15.110 requires that the applicant notify the local legislative body of the intent to apply for a state grant to acquire real property from the WWRP, administered by

the Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO). The City may, at its discretion submit a letter to the RCO identifying its position regarding the conservation easement acquisition project. The law also requires that the WWRP “confer” with the City of Oak Harbor prior to the acquisition. The grant deadline for the WWRP is July 13, 2022.

Mayor Pro Tem Munns confirmed no public comment had been received on this item.

Councilmembers Hoffmire, Evans, Stucky, Woessner and Mayor Pro Tem Munns provided their respective questions and comments. The consensus of the Council was not in favor of the proposal.

From the City’s law firm of Kenyon Disend, attorney Bob Zeinemann provided additional guidance.

**Motion:** Councilmember Evans moved for the City Administrator to provide a written response (to the request proposed by the Whidbey Camano Land Trust) with Council’s opposition before the due date. Councilmember Hizon seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Mayor Pro Tem Munns requested that a copy of the written response be provided to Council as well.

Break: at 9:37 the Council took a five-minute break and then resumed the meeting at 9:42 p.m.

## **10. REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **a. Oak Harbor Police Department**

Chief of Police Dresker provided his report for the period of 2019-2021 for Police and Corrections. He focused on the department’s Mission, Vision and Values and provided updates on the organizational structure and staffing changes.

Highlighted in the report were staffing challenges with 50% of the present officers having been hired in 2019 or later, awards and accreditations received, partnerships, body worn cameras, minor facility upgrades, and fleet improvements.

**Motion:** Councilmember Hizon moved to suspend Council Rules of Procedure and extend the meeting to 10:30 p.m., seconded by Councilmember Hoffmire. The motion carried unanimously.

Chief Dresker continued his presentation to review the department’s involvement with provision of a School Resource Officer, their records and evidence management, animal control, and National Night Out. He reviewed metrics and statistics for department responses to calls and incidences in the community.

Chief Dresker thanked the community and Council for their support of the department in challenging times. He praised the excellent work of the men and women of the department.

Councilmember Hoffmire and Mayor Pro Tem Munns provided their respective questions and comments.

## **11. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Executive Session to consider the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase per RCW 42.30.110 (1)(b). Action may or may not be taken upon return to the open session. Executive Sessions are not open to the public.

Mayor Pro Tem Munns announced the Council would now enter into Executive Session to consider the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase, per RCW 42.30.110 (1)(b). The anticipated duration of the Executive Session was fifteen minutes and action might or might not be taken upon return to the open session. Executive Sessions are not open to the public.

The Council entered into Executive Session at 10:09 p.m.

At 10:24 p.m. the Council came out of Executive Session and resumed the open session. Mayor Pro Tem Munns announced no action would be taken regarding the matter discussed.

## **ADJOURN**

**Motion:** Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Munns to adjourn, seconded Councilmember Hoffmire. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote, therefore the meeting adjourned at 10:24 p.m.

Certified by Julie Lindsey, City Clerk