



SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING / STUDY SESSION MINUTES

4:00 PM May 24, 2023

City Hall - 300 Fourth Street – 1st Floor Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Scott Korthuis opened the meeting at 4:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

City Council Members: Gary Bode, Ron DeValois, Jerry Kuiken, Brent Lenssen, Nick Laninga, Mayor Scott Korthuis,

Staff: Steve Banham, Jon Hutchings, Mark Sandal, John Williams, Mike Kim, Jessica King

Public Present: Gary Vis, Angie Estey (Trane), Kenneth Gray (BHC), Sarah McCauley (Lynden Tribune)

NEW BUSINESS:

Wastewater Treatment Plant Maintenance Building Design - Build

Estey presented the project background, the Omnia Partners Program and process, the benefits of design-build, and the planned design and construction schedule. Council members and guests discussed the layout of the building and the logistics of the plan, including peat removal, additional parking, and options for bays. They also discussed the budget for this project and whether it could affect sewer rates.

There was overall interest from the members in including the two bid options for additional bays to allow for future growth.

Korthuis asked Estey if there were grant opportunities available for this project. She said there may be, but not right now. Gray added that there could be future grant opportunities for solar panels and installation of electric vehicle charging infrastructure since they may be needed in the future.

Council also discussed the possibility of adding natural gas lines for the future use if needed to supplement electrical use.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

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Scott Korthuis, Mayor

6/12/2023

Date

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Jessica King, Sr. Admin. Assistant

6/12/2023

Date