GRANGER CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

6:00PM January 28, 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

Juan Ceja, Police Chief

Judi Montes

Terry Carter, Fire Chief

Ryan Stonemetz

Fantasia Reyes, Clerk-Treasurer

Alfredo Reyes

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO CONSENT AGENDA

A Review Minutes of Workshop dated January 14, 2025

- B Review Minutes of Council dated January 14, 2025
- C Review the accounts payable dated for January 28, 2025, in the amount of \$83,861.56
- D Review payroll dated January 17, 2025, in the amount of \$58,791.17

Councilmember Bustamante asked what the payment for Dept of Ecology was for City Clerk responded that it is our loan we have out when the WWTP was updated.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Catherine H, N. Granger RD- Catherine expressed what are we going to do to keep children safe if they get separated from families with the whole immigration problem going on. The mayor explained the City has rules we need to abide by, and we can't interfere or stop federal agents. We can't give public dollars and create a sanctuary. The Chief of police said if there was a separation of families because of immigration the police department would take custody of the children and then involved CPS. Catherine expressed that she would like to help children stay safe. Councilmember Bustamante informed her that KDNA would be a good place to reach out for help and would have more information for her to help families. Mayor thanked her for her participation.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Police Department

Interlocal Agreement for housing inmates-Sunnyside Police Dept.

The Chief explained that the only change that happened was an increase of about three to five dollars. Not sure why we received it so late, the price is still better than Yakima County and we also have no other choice.

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Fire Department

Interlocal Agreement with Fire District #5

The Fire Chief explained that this agreement is just if our engine goes out they would provide their engine for us and if their engine goes out we would provide our engine for them to use on county calls.

Public Works

Frank provide an update on how many applications we have received for the open positions and that it closes at the end of next week. Frank also provided an update on the garbage truck. He explained that the truck is not going to work out for us because of the steering. Councilmember Stonemetz asked what corrections we can make on future purchases of items. Frank said we would need to actually go look at it or the Mayor suggested we make a video call. Councilmember Stonemetz asked what money we lost out on, and the Mayor explained nothing because we didn't sign a contract with Enviro-clean. The Mayor explained so we are now back at step one.

DEPARTMENT/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION REPORTS

MAYORS REPORT

The mayor shared AWC meetings coming up that she would like council to attend in June and she will be attending a meeting regarding bills being presented to legislative and I will come back and inform you guys.

COUNCIL REPORTS

ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 PM.

ATTEST:

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Fantasia Reyes, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED TO FORM:

Seann Mumford, City Attorney

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January 28, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

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MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hilda Gonzalez called the meeting of January 28,2025, to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGEINCE

Officer McGuire led the Flag Salute

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Susie Muñoz

Frank Tijerina, Public Works Director

Israel Bustamante

Juan Ceja, Chief of Police

Judi Monte

Terry Carter, Fire Chief-Absent

Rvan Stonemetz

Fantasia Reyes, Clerk-Treasurer

Alfredo Reyes

CONSENT AGENDA

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B Approve Minutes of Council dated January 14, 2025

C Approve the accounts payable dated for January 28, 2025, in the amount of \$83,861.56

D Approve payroll dated January 17, 2025, in the amount of \$58,791.17.

It was moved by Councilmember Munoz to approve the consent agenda with items A-D as follows. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Reyes.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

La Don Linde, Sunnyside WA- I would like to talk about what has been getting a lot of attention regarding immigration. Linde stated that according to he had a conversation today with the Sheriffs and prosecuting attorney, as far as the responsibilities of sheriff it is has not changed and we follow state law. We are not in the business of looking at immigration information however if it is criminal activity then they will pursue them. To his knowledge there has been bounty hunters out there, the sheriffs department has reached out to federal immigration, and they confirmed that there is no such thing. They are not going randomly they have a certain list of people that have committed crimes that they are going after. Hope that helps elevates anxiety there.

Sylvia Zarate, 313 D ST Granger WA 98932- I'm here on behalf of family, myself and group of members that can't be ere. It would be nice if the City of Granger could provide a statement to show where you stand on immigration. People are afraid. I believe a statement would help people come out of their homes.

Vanessa Alviso, 401 Swan Rd Sunnyside WA-I want to echo my concerns of keeping people safe and the governor issued something that would help keep people safe. I wanted to echo the previous speaker hoping your leadership can provide a statement to the community so they can feel safe and have your support.

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Madeline Ramirez, Po Box 913 Granger WA- I am here as a concerned citizen. It is important for the city to release a statement, so the community feels safe. Our community is a community of immigrants and that is why their fearful. I care that the community feels safe and that they are heard.

NEW BUSINESS

Police Department

Interlocal Agreement-Sunnyside Police Department

It was moved by councilmember Stonemetz to approve the interlocal agreement for housing inmates with the Sunnyside Police Dept. Motion was seconded by councilmember Bustamante.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Fire Department

Interlocal Agreement between Granger Fire Dept and Fire District #5

It was moved by councilmember Munoz to approve the interlocal agreement with Fire District 5. Motion was seconded by councilmember Reyes.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Police Department

Mayor swears in Officer Patrick McGuire.

Fund Totals 01/28/2025

Current Expense	\$ 4,000.49
Parks & Rec	\$
Streets	\$ 46.25
Criminal Justice Fund	\$ 198.80
Fed Housing Rehab Grant	\$
Crime Prevention	\$
Festival/Float Fund	\$
Bell Memorial Fund	\$
EMS Fire Trauma	\$ 287.24
Public Safety	\$ 5,448.00
Water	\$ 3,037.27
Sewer	\$ 69,485.65
Garbage	\$ 1,221.58
Consumer Deposit Refund	\$
Irrigation	\$ 136.28
Court Bound Fund	\$
TOTAL	\$ 83,861.56

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Accounts Payable Checks for January 28, 2025: 49175-49193
Payroll for January 17, 2025: ACH \$58,791.17 (includes vendor payments).

COUNCIL

Councilmember Montes mentioned there is after school space at KDNA that students can attend after school.

MAYOR

ADJOURNMENT

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

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Fantasia Reyes, City Clerk Treasurer

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Hilda Gonzalez, Mayor

APPROVED TO FORM:

Seann Mumford, City Attorney