## CITY OF GEORGE STATE OF WASHINGTON July 15, 2025

**COUNCIL MEETING: Regular Meeting** 

**PLACE:** Grant County Fire District #3 – 101 Richmond Ave

**PRESENT:** Council Member Melissa Moldonado, Council Member Kate Schooler (remote), Council Member Debby Kooy, Council Member Julia Schooler, Council Member Patty Neff, City Planner Alex Kovach, City Engineer Mike Meskimen; City Clerk Amy Grace; City Public Works Superintendent Aaron Harwood; City Attorney Emily Romanenko.

**ABSENT:** Mayor Juan Villalpando

Mayor Pro Tem Julia Schooler called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m., followed by the flag salute.

Council Member Julia Schooler moved to excuse Mayor Juan Villalpando absence. Council Member Patty Neff seconded. Motion passed 5-0

Council Member Julia Schooler made a motion to add an agenda item under old business item 7A W. Montmorency multi-use pathway placement decision. Council Member Patty Neff seconded. Motion passed 5-0

Citizens wishing to speak under items 7 or 8. None

Public comment: None

Council Member Patty Neff made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and approval of vouchers #19193 in the amount of \$137.47; vouchers #19232-19265 in the amount of \$98,858.54 and electronic checks in the amount of \$29,729.96. Council Member Debby Kooy seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

City Engineer Michael Woodkey updated the council on the previous meeting that included council discussion on the multi-use pathway. The Council consensus is for the sidewalk to be placed south of the Community Hall trees with a straight design and connect to the GQ Extended Stay sidewalk.

City Planner Alex Kovach presented to Council the 2025-2027 contract documents from the Department of Commerce for the Climate Planning Grant in the amount of \$100,000. Mr. Kovach recommends the City accepts the grant and authorize the Mayor to sign.

Council Member Patty Neff made a motion to accept the 2025-2027 contract documents from the Department of Commerce for the Climate Planning Grant in the amount of \$100,000 and authorize the Mayor to sign. Council Member Kate Schooler seconded. Motion passed 5-0

City Planner Alex Kovach presented to Council the George Town Center Phase 2 – Preliminary Major Plat Submittal with the Planning Agencies recommendations. Mr. Kovach requested that the City hold a Public Hearing to receive comment on the proposed on the George Town Center Phase 2 Major Plat along the undeveloped portion of Republican Ave. on August 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00p.m. before the regularly scheduled Council meeting.

Council Member Julia Schooler made a motion to set a Public Hearing on the George Town Center Phase 2 Major Plat along the undeveloped portion of Republican Ave. on August 19, 2025 at 7 p.m. Council Member Patty Neff seconded. Motion passed.

City Engineer Michael Woodkey led the 2025 TIB application deadline discussion. He updated Council on the street projects that have been completed so far and the projects that will be completed this year. Mr. Woodkey asked for recommendations on what projects the Council would like to apply for. Council discussion took place.

Council Member Patty Neff made a motion to move forward with applying for curb replacement located on W. Montmorency. Council Member Melissa Maldonado seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Council comments and questions: None

Amy Grace, City Clerk-Treasurer

Meetings: City Planner Alex Kovach reminded the Council that there will be a Public Hearing on July 21, 2025 at 3 p.m. located at City Hall to receive comment on the proposed 2025 annual Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Map, and Development Regulation amendment cycle.

Council Member Patty Neff made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Melissa Maldonado seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Approved by the City Council at an Open Public Meeting the 19th of August, 2025.

Juan Villalpando, Mayor

ATTEST: