

**CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF DECEMBER 5-6, 2022**

The Council held a hybrid meeting with Councilors Gary Medvigy and Karen Dill Bowerman, Chair, joining via WebEx and Councilors Temple Lentz, Julie Olson, and Sue Marshall present in the Hearing Room, 6<sup>th</sup> floor, Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, Washington.

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2022  
2:00 P.M.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Bowerman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Introduction of newly elected Councilor Sue Marshall, District 5
- Addition of one executive session at the end of the meeting

**PUBLIC HEARING: 2023 ANNUAL BUDGET**

Held a public hearing to provide the opportunity for elected county officials and the public to comment on the proposed 2023 annual budget for Clark County.

The following elected officials testified (in-person):

1. Alishia Topper, Treasurer
2. Peter Van Nortwick, Assessor
3. Greg Kimsey, Auditor
4. Chuck Atkins, Sheriff (statement read by Amber Emery, Deputy County Manager)
5. Tony Golik, Prosecuting Attorney
6. Scott Weber, County Clerk
7. Derek Vanderwood, Superior Court Judge (provided presentation)

Open Public Comment:

1. John Ley
2. Kris Michaels
3. Douglas Perednia
4. Kimberlee Elbon

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*NOTE: The county council generally will hold executive sessions, which are closed to the public for the purposes set forth in RCW 42.30.110, at the end of a public meeting.*

The Council met at 2:48 p.m. in an executive session pertaining to collective bargaining. Legal counsel was present and there was no action. The session lasted until 3:22 p.m.

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**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2022**

**9:45 AM**

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*Convene as the Emergency Medical Service District #1 Board*

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT #1 BOARD**

Request approval of minutes from November 16, 2021 and to consider the Ordinance / Resolution for levying property taxes for EMS District #1 and 2023 Levy Certification.

**ACTION ITEM**

*Request approval of the minutes for November 16, 2021.*

**ACTION:** Moved by Medvigy to **APPROVE** the minutes for November 16, 2021. Motion seconded by Lentz. All aye/motion carried.

**ACTION ITEM**

To consider the Ordinance / Resolution for levying property taxes for EMS District #1 and 2023 Levy Certification

Presented by Chief Shaun Ford, North County EMS

**ACTION:** Moved by Olson to **APPROVE** Resolution 2022-12-03. Medvigy seconded the motion. All aye/motion carried.

[Minutes done separately]

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**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Bowerman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION**

Led by John Meindersee, Clark County Chaplaincy

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**AGENDA AMENDMENT**

Public Hearing: OLR-2022-00147 SYNCHROUS COVENANT RELEASE was moved ahead of the 2023 Annual Budget hearing.

**RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC SERVICE**

Chair Bowerman and County Manager Kathleen Otto presented plaques to Councilors Temple Lentz, Julie Olson, and Richard Rylander, recognizing their service to the citizens of Clark County.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

*Consent Agenda items will be considered together and will be approved on a single motion. Any person desiring to remove an item for separate consideration should so request before approval of the agenda.*

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON CONSENT AND SEPARATE BUSINESS ITEMS**

1. Rob Anderson
2. Wynn Giersch
3. Patrick Lock
4. Kimberlee Elbon

**CONSENT AGENDA (ITEMS 1-20)**

Chair Bowerman requested that items 3 & 5 be pulled for separate consideration.

**ACTION:** Moved by Medvigy to **APPROVE** items 1, 2, 4, & 6-20. Lentz seconded the motion. All aye/motion carried.

**ACTION:** Moved by Lentz to **APPROVE** item 3. Olson seconded the motion. All aye/motion carried.

**ACTION:** Moved by Lentz to **APPROVE** item 5 as presented. Olson seconded the motion. Councilors Lentz, Olson, Medvigy and Marshall voted aye; Bowerman voted nay. Motion carried. (Please note: the item will be revised to reflect CREDC's suggested amendments and come back for Council approval January 3, 2023.)

**SEPARATE BUSINESS**

*Staff members presented the nine items.*

**ACTION:** Moved by Medvigy to **APPROVE** item 1. Lentz seconded the motion. All aye/motion carried.

**ACTION:** Moved by Medvigy to **APPROVE** item 2. Lentz seconded the motion. All aye/motion carried.

**ACTION:** Moved by Lentz to **APPROVE** item 3. Olson seconded the motion. All aye/motion carried.

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**ACTION:** Moved by Medvigy to **APPROVE** item 4. Marshall seconded the motion. All aye/motion carried

**ACTION:** Moved by Olson to **APPROVE** item 5. Lentz seconded the motion. All aye/motion carried.

**ACTION:** Moved by Medvigy to **APPROVE** item 6. Bowerman seconded the motion. All aye/motion carried.

**ACTION:** Moved by Lentz to **APPROVE** item 7, ORD. 2022-12-01. Marshall seconded the motion.

Roll call vote on Ordinance 2022-12-01:

Lentz: aye

Olson: aye

Marshal: aye

Medvigy: aye

Bowerman: aye

Motion carried.

**ACTION:** Moved by Medvigy to **APPROVE** item 8. Olson seconded the motion. All aye/motion carried.

**ACTION:** Moved by Medvigy to **APPROVE** item 9. Marshall seconded the motion. All aye/motion carried.

**OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. Heidi Piper Scholtz
2. Michael Langsdorf
3. Jim Potter
4. Kimberlee Elbon

**PUBLIC HEARING: OLR-2022-00147 SYNCHROUS COVENANT RELEASE**

The County Council will consider a proposal to fully release a covenant on two parcels, (195971005 and 195971010) of approximately 2 acres with a Rural Commercial Comp Plan Designation and CR-1 zoning. Located at the corner Of NE 179<sup>th</sup> Street and NE 72<sup>ND</sup> Avenue. The covenant currently limits the uses allowed on the parcels. Removal of the covenant would allow all of the uses in the CR-1 zone.

Presented by Jose Alvarez, Planner III, Community Planning

Public comment:

1. Martin Snell
2. Kimberlee Elbon

**ACTION:** Moved by Lentz to **APPROVE** Resolution 2022-12-02. Medvigy seconded the motion. All aye/motion carried.

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*Convene as the Greater Clark Parks District Board*

**PUBLIC HEARING: 2023 GREATER CLARK PARKS DISTRICT BUDGET**

The board will consider adoption of the proposed 2023 Greater Clark Parks District budget in the total amount of \$4,100,000. The Greater Clark Parks District property tax levy for 2023 will also be considered at this time.

Presented by Rocky Houston, Program Manager III, Public Works

Public comment:

1. Kimberlee Elbon

**ACTION:** Moved by Olson to **APPROVE** Levy Resolution 2022-12-06, with the 1% and bank capacity. Lentz seconded the motion. All aye/motion carried.

**ACTION:** Moved by Lentz to **APPROVE** Resolution 2022-12-05 to adopt the 2023 Greater Clark Parks District budget. Marshall seconded the motion. All aye/motion carried.

*Convene as the Clark County Council*

**PUBLIC HEARING: 2023 ANNUAL BUDGET**

To allow public comment on the proposed 2023 annual budget.

Presented by Kathleen Otto, County Manager.

Public comment:

1. Richard Rylander
2. Kari Reardon
3. Kimberlee Elbon

**ACTION:** Moved by Olson to **APPROVE** the County Manager's amendments to the initial recommendations. Lentz seconded for the purpose of discussion and made the following additional amendment. Councilor Lentz moved to amend the recommendation regarding BGT-21-23AD, the compensation study placeholder, to adjust it from 2% to 4% as requested by other county elected officials. Olson seconded the motion. A vote was taken on the second amendment to increase the compensation study from 2 to 4%. Councilors Lentz, Olson, Medvigy, and Marshall vote aye; Chair Bowerman voted nay. Motion carried. A vote was taken to approve the initial recommended amendments. All aye/motion carried.

**ACTION:** Moved by Olson to **APPROVE** Resolution 2022-12-07, Property tax general fund levy with the 1% and the general fund bank capacity. Marshall seconded the motion. Councilors Lentz, Olson, and Marshall voted aye; Chair Bowerman and Councilor Medvigy voted nay. Motion carried.

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**ACTION:** Moved by Olson to **APPROVE** the 2023 Proportional (Option B) for the General Fund Subordinate levy. Lentz seconded the motion. All aye/motion carried.

**ACTION:** Moved by Olson to **APPROVE** Resolution 2022-12-08, adoption of the 1% Levy increase for the Road Fund with no banked capacity. Marshall seconded the motion. Councilors Olson and Marshall voted aye; Councilors Lentz, Bowerman, and Medvigy voted nay. Motion failed.

**ACTION:** Moved by Lentz to **APPROVE** Resolution 2022-12-08, adoption of the 1% Levy increase for the Road Fund with the bank capacity. Olson seconded the motion. Councilors Lentz, Olson, and Marshall voted aye; Chair Bowerman and Councilor Medvigy voted nay. Motion carried.

**ACTION:** Moved by Lentz to **APPROVE** Resolution 2022-12-09 for the 2023 Annual Operating and Capital Budgets. Olson seconded the motion. Councilors Lentz, Olson, and Marshall voted aye; Chair Bowerman and Councilor Medvigy voted nay. Motion carried.

**COUNCILOR COMMUNICATIONS**

- Councilor Olson expressed her thanks to the County Manager, staff, and the community.
- Councilor Lentz expressed her thanks to the community and county staff and added that she appreciated all the effort during these difficult times.

**COUNTY MANAGER REPORT**

County Manager Otto stated that this was the last hearing of the year and wished everyone Happy Holidays.

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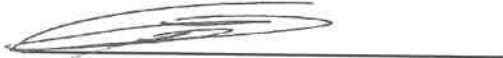
Karen Dill Bowerman, Chair, District 3

abstained

Glen Yung, District 1

abstained

Michelle Belkot, District 2



Gary Medvigy, District 4



Sue Marshall, District 5

ATTEST:



Rebecca Messinger, Clerk to the Council



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