

**NOTES ONLY Minutes of the Montpelier City Council Meeting  
February 26 2020, 6:30pm  
City Council Chambers**

In attendance: Mayor Anne Watson (Chair), Councilors Dona Bate, Conor Casey, Lauren Hierl, Glen Hutcheson, Jack McCullough, and Dan Richardson. City Clerk John Odum acted as secretary.

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Mayor Watson called the meeting to order at 6:31.

- 20-064. The agenda was approved by unanimous consent with the CHP project and PFAS discussions moved to after the audit discussion.
- 20-065. Zach Hughes spoke regarding ice and snow abatement in regards to accessibility.  
  
Elizabeth Parker reported on the work of the: sustainable Montpelier coalition.  
  
Councilor Bate noted the changes to Green Mountain Transit's routes and the coming public hearings.
- 20-066. Councilor Casey moved approval of the consent agenda. Councilor McCullough seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
- 20-067. Steve Luna came forward to discuss the Veteran Homelessness Proclamation. Councilor Richardson moved the Council adopt the proposed proclamation to end veteran homelessness. Councilor Bate seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.
- 20-068. Presenting the audit report was Ron Smith, Miranda Macdonald, Kelly Murphy, and Heather Graves. Discussion followed. No formal action taken.
- 20-072. CHP Project Contract. Chris Cox and Kurt Motyka reported on the CHP project contract. Discussion followed. Councilor McCullough moved to authorize the City Manager to execute the Project Development Agreement with ESG for Phase 2 of Water Resource Recovery Facility Organics to Energy Project – CHP, subject to final review and acceptance by the City Attorney. Councilor Casey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- 20-073. The Council opened a PFAS Water Resource Recovery Facility discussion. Participating were Kurt Motyka, Chris Cox, Kasey Kathan, Chuck Schwer, Amy Palacek, Nick Gianetti, Eamon Twohig participated in discussion. No formal action taken.

At 8:22 the Mayor called a recess. The meeting reconvened at 8:29

- 20-074. The Council heard the Homelessness Task Force FY20 Request. Ken Russell, Zach Hughes, Jodie Kelly, and Mike Miller participated. No formal action taken.
- 20-069. Donna Barlow Casey came forward to discuss the CVT Solid Waste Appointment. After brief discussion, Councilor Bate moved to appoint Donna Barlow Casey. Councilor McCullough seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.
- 20-070. Mike Miller came forward to discuss a possible rental inspection program. No formal action taken.
- 20-071. After discussion, Councilor McCullough moved to adopt the proposed legislative agenda as amended during discussion. Councilor Casey seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
- 20-076. Councilor Bate encouraged residents to show up at Town Meeting.
- Councilor Casey thanked The Bridge for its election coverage and noted that Seattle had banned winter evictions and that he would try to get more information.
- Councilor Hutcheson reported on the Homelessness task Force and Another Way meetings. He also thanked those present for his experience as a City Council Member.
- Councilor Hutcheson thanked The Bridge for its coverage, thanked Councilor Hutcheson for his service, and encouraged residents to vote.
- Councilor McCullough thanked Councilor Hutcheson for his service,
- Councilor Hierl reported on the Social and Economic Justice Advisory Committee report. Discussion followed about committee budgeting. She also offered thanks to Councilor Hutcheson for his service.
- 20-077. The Mayor thanked Councilor Hutcheson for his service.
- 20-078. The City Clerk thanked Councilor Hutcheson for his service, reported on early voting, and invited residents to Saturday morning voting.
- Councilor Bate offered thanks to ORCA for their recent coverage.
- 20-079. The City Manager reported that the Assistant City Manager will be at the Statehouse testifying, noted that he had received a report from the Montpelier

Development Committee, and briefly brushed upon the strategic planning process. He also thanked Councilor Hutcheson for his service.

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 10:18 PM.