

**WALLA WALLA CITY COUNCIL**  
**Special Work Session Minutes**  
**August 3, 2015**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Cummins called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Present: Councilmembers Jim Barrow, Barbara Clark, Mary Lou Jenkins, Dick Morgan, Chris Plucker and Mayor Jerry Cummins

Absent: Councilmember Allen Pomraning

City staff in attendance: City Manager Nabel Shawa, Parks and Recreation Director Jim Dumont, Recreation Coordinator Angela Potts, and Executive Assistant Carol Pritcher.

**2. ACTIVE AGENDA**

A. Rebuild Veterans Memorial Pool Update.

Parks & Recreation Director Dumont introduced members of the pool review committee and briefly reviewed:

- The history of the pool;
- The voter-approved bond;
- Selecting an architectural firm; and
- The work the group has done to get to this point of presenting the pool design within budget.

If the Council agrees with the design recommendations, it is estimated construction will be complete by the estimated opening date of August 15, 2016.

Parks & Recreation Director Dumont introduced the project architects who reviewed the design concepts. By utilizing much of the current pool layout and a good part of the administrative/locker rooms building, they were able to stay within the budget.

As initially discussed, two separate pools will be built: one is the large pool which is designed for competition and leisure swimming; and the second is the smaller "family" pool. This smaller pool will be from zero to three and a half feet deep with a separation at the two foot depth.

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In addition to the pool design, eleven potential options were presented, with an additional price tag of nearly \$1 million. Parks & Recreation Director Dumont will be approaching clubs, trusts, and various organizations for funding to cover as many of the options as possible.

Some of these options are:

- An upgraded filtration system;
- Interactive pool toys and a slide; and
- Nicer competition timer and blocks.

There was discussion on the various details of the pool design and additional options if funding is obtained.

Mayor Cummins invited public input. The following had comments on the proposed design, pool opening date, programming, and optional pool components:

- Anne North-Jones, 1420 Avalon Street, Walla Walla.
- Becky Kennedy, 609 University, Walla Walla.
- Traci Hickman, 1835 Woodmere Loop, Walla Walla.
- Brad Daly, 601 Village Way, Walla Walla.
- Dominick Elia, 302 S. Roosevelt, Walla Walla.

It was the consensus of a majority of Council to proceed with the project as outlined.

Council asked that the change to the restrooms and locker rooms be discussed with the City's partners in Borleske Stadium: Whitman College, Walla Walla Public Schools; and the Walla Walla Sweets baseball organization.

B. Sudbury Landfill On-Call Engineering Services.

Item was removed from the agenda due to excused absence of the Public Works Director.

### **3. OTHER BUSINESS**

No other business was discussed.

### **4. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:38 p.m.