

WALLA WALLA CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 27, 2016

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Barrow called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Councilmembers Barbara Clark, Jerry Cummins, Dick Morgan, Steve Moss, Tom Scribner, and Mayor Pro Tem Jim Barrow.

Absent: Mayor Allen Pomraning.

City staff in attendance: City Manager Nabel Shawa, City Attorney Tim Donaldson, Development Services Director Elizabeth Chamberlain, Senior Planner Jon Maland, Engineer Jay Peninger, and City Clerk Kammy Hill.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE

Councilmember Cummins led the pledge of allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

3. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

A. Proclamation declaring May, 2016 as "Bicycle Safety Month".

Mayor Pro Tem Barrow read and presented the proclamation declaring May 2016 as "Bicycle Safety Month" to Councilmember Clark. Councilmember Clark commented on the importance placed on safe behaviors by the Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee. The committee will be sponsoring a "VIP Ride-Walk" on May 10 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Max Barkley, no address provided, expressed concerns with the current care of the cemetery and asked that additional care be provided. City Manager Shawa reported this is an issue he was recently made aware of and staff will be stepping up their maintenance efforts at the cemetery.

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5. CONSENT AGENDA

City Clerk Hill introduced the Consent Agenda, Items A through G, as follows:

- A. Accept resignation of Andrea Petersen from the Planning Commission effective May 3, 2016.
- B. Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board: New liquor license application for The Walls, 219 W. Main Street.
- C. Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board: New liquor license application for Passatempo, 215 W. Main Street.
- D. Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board: Change of location liquor application for Walla Walla Bread Company, 225 E. Main Street.
- E. Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board: New liquor license application for Tricycle Cellars, 6 E. Rose Street.
- F. Resolution No. 2016-57 revising the date from April 27 to May 11 to consider a ten percent annexation petition for approximately four acres located south of Reser Road (Herbert annexation).
- G. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting held April 13, 2016.

Council suggested that the resignation of Andrea Petersen be accepted with regrets.

Mayor Pro Tem Barrow invited public input.

Richard McFarland, 3731 Middle Waitsburg Road, Walla Walla, suggested the City develop educational materials on the annexation and planning processes.

Councilmember Cummins moved to adopt Consent Agenda Items A through G with an amendment to Item A to accept the resignation with regret. Councilmember Scribner seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 6 yes votes and 0 no votes.

6. ACTIVE AGENDA

- A. Resolution No. 2016-58 approving the final plat for Spring Hill No. 4, a thirty lot subdivision of approximately 6.63 acres located west of South 3rd Avenue, east of Alco Avenue and south of Bandra Drive. (Closed record quasi-judicial)

Senior Planner Maland reviewed the application and conditions of approval. Staff concurs and recommends approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Barrow polled the City Council for any conflicts of interest, appearance of fairness, or ex-parte contacts. None were reported by any member of Council.

Councilmember Cummins moved to approve Resolution No. 2016-58. Councilmember Morgan seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 6 yes votes and 0 no votes.

- B. Resolution No. 2016-59 approving an amendment and final plat for the Garden Gates Planned Unit Development located south of Abbott Road on Paramount Street.

Mayor Pro Tem Barrow polled the City Council for any conflicts of interest, appearance of fairness, or ex-parte contacts. None were reported by any member of Council.

Senior Planner Maland reviewed the application and recommended approval.

Councilmember Clark moved to approve Resolution No. 2016-59. Councilmember Moss seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 6 yes votes and 0 no votes.

- C. Resolution No. 2016-60 setting a public hearing for May 25 on the sixty-percent annexation petition for the Evans annexation (approximately 81 acres located west of Lower Waitsburg Road and north of US Highway 12).

Development Services Director Chamberlain reported this action will set a public hearing on the proposed Evans annexation petition for May 25. This property is under a single ownership so essentially the annexation

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petition is one hundred percent. Staff will work on a flow chart for annexations. Advance notices have been sent to the Fire District, County, and franchise holders in the area. The area has been pre-zoned R-96 and this designation will apply after annexation.

There was discussion on:

- Zoning for the property and how these designations are determined and established.
- A change of zone would require both a comprehensive plan amendment and a rezone request by the property owner.
- Notice provided to adjacent property owners.
- Impacts, such as transportation, would be reviewed at the time a development proposal is received.

Mayor Pro Tem Barrow invited public input.

Richard McFarland, 3731 Middle Waitsburg Road, Walla Walla, suggested that a public hearing on May 25 may not give the public enough time to be prepared.

Councilmember Morgan moved to adopt Resolution No. 2016-60. Councilmember Cummins seconded the motion.

Council asked staff to ensure very serious considerations are given for any future development plans, especially in reviewing traffic impacts in the area.

The motion to adopt Resolution No. 2016-60 unanimously carried with 6 yes votes and 0 no votes.

D. Approval of minutes of the Work Session held April 11, 2016.

Councilmember Scribner moved to approve the minutes of the Work Session held April 11, 2016. Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 5 yes votes, 0 no votes, and 1 abstention by Councilmember Morgan.

7. COUNCIL MEMBER MEETING REPORTS

Councilmember Moss reported attendance at a meeting with Parks & Recreation staff and a tour of parks facilities on April 14; the Planning

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Commission meeting held April 18; the local Community Investors for Youth meeting held April 20; the Memorial Pool groundbreaking ceremony held April 21; and a tour of the Sudbury Road landfill on April 27.

Councilmember Morgan had no meetings to report.

Councilmember Cummins reported attendance at the Columbia Rural Electric Association Annual meeting held April 14; the Good Roads Committee meeting held April 21; the Valley Transit Board meeting held April 21; the Housing Authority Board meeting held April 25; the Finance Committee meeting held April 26; the Sonbridge Advisory Committee meeting held April 26; and a reception for the president of Eastern Washington University held April 27.

Councilmember Clark reported attendance at the Civil Service Commission meeting held April 20; the Memorial Pool groundbreaking ceremony held April 21; the Battle of the Badges basketball game held April 23; the Senior Center Board meeting held April 26; and the Finance Committee meeting held April 26.

Councilmember Scribner had no meetings to report and announced his intention to call a meeting of the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee.

Mayor Pro Tem Barrow reported attendance at the Water Partnership flow control steering committee meeting held April 15; the Downtown Walla Walla Foundation Board meeting held April 19; the Blue Mountain Action Council Board meeting held April 21; the agenda preparation meeting held April 21; the Memorial Pool groundbreaking ceremony held April 21; the Cannara Sister City organizational committee meeting held April 22; the Sonbridge Advisory Committee meeting held April 26; the Finance Committee meeting held April 26; the performance evaluation of the Water Partnership Executive Director held April 27; and the Mill Creek coalition meeting held April 27.

The meeting was recessed for a break at 8:14 p.m. and reconvened at 8:25 p.m.

8. UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS

Councilmember Clark moved to schedule a City Council Retreat on April 30, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. Councilmember Moss seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 6 yes votes and 0 no votes.

Councilmember Morgan reported that April 27 is "Sexual Assault Awareness Day" and explained why Department of Corrections staff members are encouraged to wear denim.

There was discussion on efforts to notify residents in the area impacted by a recent gas line break and use of the emergency notification system.

Council expressed their appreciation for the information in the recent City utility bill regarding the pristine water quality.

Councilmember Cummins moved to excuse the absence of Mayor Pomraning due to his traveling on City business. Councilmember Morgan seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 6 yes votes and 0 no votes.

Councilmember Cummins moved to approve a letter to Governor Inslee thanking him for the vetoes on the legislative sweep of funds from the Public Works Assistance Account and the Fire Insurance Premium fund distribution. Councilmember Moss seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 6 yes votes and 0 no votes.

Councilmember Cummins moved to appoint Allen Pomraning, Jim Barrow, and Steve Moss as the City's voting delegates at the Association of Washington Cities annual conference; with Nabil Shawa and Jerry Cummins as alternate voting delegates. Councilmember Clark seconded the motion.

Mayor Pro Tem Barrow moved to amend the motion to make Jerry Cummins the first alternate voting delegate. The motion died for lack of a second.

The motion to appoint Allen Pomraning, Jim Barrow, and Steve Moss as the City's voting delegates at the Association of Washington Cities annual conference; with Nabil Shawa and Jerry Cummins as alternate voting delegates unanimously carried with 6 yes votes and 0 no votes.

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City Manager Shawa passed on the appreciation expressed by the Association of Washington Cities for Councilmember Cummins' support and lobbying efforts on behalf of the Public Works Trust Fund.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.