

**WALLA WALLA CITY COUNCIL**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**April 25, 2018**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Clark called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Councilmembers Yazmin Bahena, Riley Clubb, Jerry Cummins, Myron Huie, Steve Moss, Tom Scribner, and Mayor Barbara Clark.

Absent: None.

City staff in attendance: City Manager Nabel Shawa, City Attorney Tim Donaldson, Deputy City Manager Byron Olson, Development Services Director Elizabeth Chamberlain, Parks & Recreation Director Andy Coleman, Public Works Manager Mori Struve, City Engineer Neal Chavre, Municipal Arborist Kyle Clemens, 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**

- A. Mayor Clark read and presented a proclamation declaring April 25, 2018 as "Arbor Day in Walla Walla" to Parks & Recreation Director Coleman. Parks & Recreation Director Coleman commented on the importance of the urban forest and goals to plant two trees for every one that is removed. Sam Wells, Chair of the Rotary Club Tree Planting Committee was presented with the City's 2018 Arbor Day award.

Kathy Howard, Chair of the Parks, Recreation & Urban Forestry Advisory Board, thanked the City Council for the Arbor Day recognition.

Parks & Recreation Director Coleman presented the City's 24<sup>th</sup> Tree City USA Award and 12<sup>th</sup> Growth Award to the City Council and recognized the work of Municipal Arborist Kyle Clemens.

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- B. Downtown Farmer's Market. Shane Laib, Farmer's Market Manager, provided an overview of the Farmer's Market program and activities. Mr. Laib also reported that the Friends of the Pioneer Park Aviary have completed their work and are disbanding. Mr. Laib presented Parks & Recreation Director Coleman with a check for their remaining funds and asked it be used for the aviary.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No one in the audience chose to address the City Council at this time.

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- A. Resolution No. 2018-39 awarding the bid for crushed surfacing top course (gravel) to Humbert Asphalt in the amount of \$27,905.63.
- B. Approval of minutes of the Work Session held April 9, 2018.
- C. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting held April 11, 2018.

Mayor Clark invited public input. No one in the audience chose to address the City Council on any of these items.

**Councilmember Cummins moved to adopt Consent Agenda Items A through C. Councilmember Moss seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 7 yes votes and 0 no votes.**

**6. ACTIVE AGENDA**

- A. Resolution No. 2018-38 authorizes a special contract with Hayden Homes for credit on capital facilities charges (CFC) for constructing a water line supporting the City's water system in the south end of town.

Development Services Director Chamberlain provided an overview of the proposal to enter into a special contract with Hayden Homes for the construction of a waterline extension to loop the water system in the southern part of the City. In exchange for this waterline extension, the City

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would provide capital facilities charges credits for new water services in the estimated amount of the waterline extension project, approximately \$93,000 to \$99,000. This extension is necessary for redundancy and fire flow.

Mayor Clark invited public input.

R.L. McFarland, 3731 Middle Waitsburg Road, suggested this proposal would directly benefit Hayden Homes and questioned why a latecomer's agreement would not be more appropriate.

Greg Flowers, PBS Engineering, representing Hayden Homes, commented that Hayden Homes hopes to partner with the City to construct the necessary waterline extension as a benefit to the entire area in the southern part of the City. This has been a City-identified project for the last twenty years. This project will also enable additional residential development in the area.

There was discussion on:

- Proliferation of cul-de-sacs in the area resulting in a lack of transportation circulation and whether this waterline extension truly benefits the City.
- The City could extend Fern Avenue southerly if it compensates the property owners for purchase of the necessary right-of-way.
- This special contract simply waives the water capital facilities charges in the same amount as the cost to construct the waterline extension. The amount of the estimated cost of the extension is comparable to the City's estimated project cost.
- Whether the credit will be for the actual construction cost or the estimated cost. Council expressed a preference that the actual construction cost be used versus the engineer's estimate.
- Funds for this waterline extension project had been allocated in the City's budget.
- Residential zoning designation of the hundred-acre property south of the proposed waterline extension and need for more affordable housing.
- Benefit to future developments in the area.
- The City will be inspecting the waterline project.
- Staff is aware of the Council's desire for road connectivity and transportation circulation in future developments.

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**Councilmember Moss moved to adopt Resolution No. 2018-38.  
Councilmember Clubb seconded the motion.**

Councilmembers Cummins and Huie both indicated they would be voting no to make a statement regarding the lack of street connectivity in recent subdivisions.

**The motion to adopt Resolution No. 2018-38 carried with 5 yes votes and 2 no votes by Councilmembers Cummins and Huie.**

- B. Resolution No. 2018-37 approving the purchase of sanitation containers from SWS Equipment through the State contract.

Public Works Manager Struve reported this is an annual and necessary purchase of commercial sanitation containers.

There was brief discussion on the budget for purchase of these containers, life span, and clarification that these are dumpsters.

Mayor Clark invited public input. No one in the audience chose to address the City Council on this issue.

**Councilmember Cummins moved to adopt Resolution No. 2018-37.  
Councilmember Scribner seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 7 yes votes and 0 no votes.**

## **7. COUNCIL MEMBER MEETING REPORTS**

Councilmember Moss reported attendance at the Ward Boundary Committee meeting held April 13; the Cannara Sister City Committee meeting held April 20; a meeting with the local State Auditor's representative held April 20; the special Work Session held April 23; and the ad hoc affordable housing committee meeting held April 24.

Councilmember Huie reported attendance at the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and exhibit unveiling at Fort Walla Walla Museum held April 12; the short course on local planning held April 16; the Good Roads Committee meeting held April 18; and the special Work Session held April 23.

Councilmember Bahena reported attendance at the Downtown Walla Walla Foundation Board meeting held April 17; the Civil Service

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Commission meeting held April 18; the Valley Transit Board meeting held April 19; the special Work Session held April 23; and the ad hoc affordable housing committee meeting held April 24.

Councilmember Cummins reported attendance at the Ward Boundary Committee meeting held April 14; the Helpline support fundraiser held April 18; the Good Roads Committee meeting held April 18; the Valley Transit Board meeting held April 19; and the special Work Session held April 23.

Councilmember Clubb reported attendance at a ride along with Police Officer Toon held April 12; the short course on planning held April 16; the LEOFF 1 Disability Board meeting held April 17; the Fire Pension Board meeting held April 17; the Blue Mountain Action Council Board meeting held April 19; the special Work Session held April 23; the Planning Commission meeting held April 23; and the ad hoc affordable housing committee meeting held April 24.

Councilmember Scribner reported attendance at the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee meeting held April 12; the Ward Boundary Committee meeting held April 13; the Blue Mountain Humane Society Board meeting held April 17; the agenda preparation meeting held April 18; the Valley Transit Board meeting held April 19; the special Work Session held April 23; the Mill Creek coalition meeting held April 24; and the Helpline Support fundraiser held April 18.

Mayor Clark reported attendance at a radio interview for the Grapeline held April 13; the ad hoc summer parkways committee meeting held April 13; the LEOFF 1 Disability Board meeting held April 17; the Fire Pension Board meeting held April 17; the Sustainability Committee meeting held April 17; the Helpline Support fundraiser held April 18, the agenda preparation meeting held April 18; the ribbon-cutting ceremony for Sportsman's Warehouse held April 19; a meeting with the Children's Day organizers held April 19; the ad hoc summer parkways committee meeting held April 20; the "Walk with the Mayor" event held April 22; the Work Session held April 23; the Emergency Management Board meeting held April 24; and the Arbor Day tree planting ceremony held April 25.

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**8. UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Clark announced that the next "Walk with the Mayor" will be held on May 6 at Blue Ridge Elementary School.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

**There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.**