

WALLA WALLA CITY COUNCIL
Work Session Minutes
October 21, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

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

Absent: Councilmember Jerry Cummins.

City staff in attendance: Deputy City Manager Byron Olson, Fire Chief Bob Yancey, Finance Director Jean Teasdale, Human Resources Director Pam Taylor, Fire Captain John Knowles, and City Clerk Kammy Hill.

2. ACTIVE AGENDA

A. Improvements to current Walla Walla Fire Department drill site and structures.

Staff reviewed and there was discussion on:

- Fire-related statistics.
- Firefighter training required by the Washington Administrative Code and National Fire Protection Agency.
- Safety issues with existing fire drill tower.
- Projected costs for a new drill tower and training facility.
- Partnership with Fire District 4 and College Place Fire Department to split the cost for a new facility. Interlocal agreements for use of the facility are being developed. It is proposed that each agency will pay a use fee for ongoing maintenance and operations, in addition to funding the new facility.
- Cost is estimated at \$754,500.
- Evaluation from the survey and rating bureau and its impact on fire insurance premiums.

It was the consensus of a majority of Council to move forward with the proposed project and partnerships.

3. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was discussed.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:54 p.m.