

WALLA WALLA CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 9, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Scribner called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Councilmembers Brian Casey, Rick Eskil, Ted Koehler, Steve Moss, Susan Nakonieczny, Gustavo Reyna, and Mayor Tom Scribner.

Absent: None.

City staff in attendance: City Manager Nabel Shawa, City Attorney Tim Donaldson, Deputy City Manager Elizabeth Chamberlain, Public Works Director Ki Bealey, and City Clerk Kammy Hill.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following asked Council to enact a moratorium on a change of use for manufactured home parks and to amend the Zoning ordinance to include specific zones for manufactured home parks:

- Dorothy Knudson
- Ruth Ann Broman
- Jerry Davis
- Chelsea Carter
- Greg Sterling
- George Jamison
- Holly Davis
- Pat Lemur
- Sharon Schiller
- Jan Leonard
- Eric Carlyle
- Elizabeth Brojan
- Richard Arelli
- Nathaniel Mahlberg
- Ishbel Dickens

Council and staff reported a meeting has been scheduled for March 16 to meet with the residents of Rancho Villa and a moratorium ordinance

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will be considered by Council on March 23. Council thanked the speakers for attending and voicing their concerns and commented on the importance of preserving affordable housing.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Staff introduced the Consent Agenda, Items A through I, as follows:

- A. Accepts resignation of Shane Laib from the Historic Preservation Commission.
- B. Resolution No. 2022-29 awarding the bid for hot mix asphalt to Central Manufacturing, Inc. in the amount of \$267,349.50.
- C. Resolution No. 2022-30 authorizing a contract with Anderson Perry & Associates in the not-to-exceed amount of \$31,965 for traffic analysis and preparation of a grant application for Pine Street, 2nd to 9th Avenues.
- D. Resolution No. 2022-31 authorizing the purchase of crack sealant for roadway maintenance from Arrow Construction Supply in the amount of \$75,218.88.
- E. Resolution No. 2022-32 sets April 13, 2022, as the date to consider a ten percent annexation petition for property located on McBeth Road, east of Whistling Duck Road.
- F. Resolution No. 2022-33 awarding the bid for the Well 5 cleaning project to Carpenter Drilling in the amount of \$152,133.30.
- G. Resolution No. 2022-34 awarding the bid for the Well 6 cleaning project to Carpenter Drilling in the amount of \$170,210.70.
- H. Ordinance No. 2022-05 reauthorizing the imposition of the two-tenths of one percent Transportation Benefit District (TBD) sales tax as approved by the voters at the November 2021 general election.
- I. Approval of minutes of the Work Session held February 22 and the February 23 regular meeting.

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Council asked that Item I be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate consideration.

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

Brief reports were provided on Items F and G. Council remarked that the TBD sales tax reauthorization was supported by seventy-five percent of the voters.

Councilmember Moss moved to adopt Consent Agenda Items A through H. Councilmember Casey seconded the motion.

Council publicly thanked Shane Laib for his public service.

The motion unanimously carried with 7 yes votes and 0 no votes.

5. ACTIVE AGENDA

- I. Approval of minutes of the Work Session held February 22 and the February 23 regular meeting.

Council suggested an amendment to the February 23 minutes on page 5 to change the sentence to read "It was suggested that if the positions are removed from Civil Service, that employment contracts be required for the Chiefs and all department directors." It was the consensus of Council to have the City Clerk make this change.

Councilmember Eskil moved to approve the minutes of the Work Session held February 22 and the February 23 regular meeting as amended. Councilmember Nakonieczny seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 7 yes votes and 0 no votes.

- A. Resolution No. 2022-35 awarding the bid for the Alder/Poplar – Merriam to Colville Transportation Benefit District (TBD) project to Culbert Construction in the amount of \$6,843,538.31.

Staff reviewed the project and expressed concerns with supply chain issues and rising oil prices. There was discussion on the project; size of the project is likely why there were only two bids; and success in receiving grant funds.

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

Councilmember Reyna moved to adopt Resolution No. 2022-35. Councilmember Nakonieczny seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 7 yes votes and 0 no votes.

- B. Resolution No. 2022-36 authorizing a contract amendment with Anderson Perry & Associates for construction management of the Alder/Poplar – Merriam to Colville Transportation Benefit District (TBD) project in an amount not to exceed \$573,500.

Staff described the construction management and inspection services Anderson Perry & Associates will provide for the Alder/Poplar – Merriam to Colville Transportation Benefit District (TBD) project. There was brief discussion on the role of a construction manager.

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

Councilmember Moss moved to adopt Resolution No. 2022-36. Councilmember Nakonieczny seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 7 yes votes and 0 no votes.

- C. Resolution No. 2022-37 authorizing a professional services contract with Parametrix for updating the Landfill Master Plan, Financial Assurance Plan, and Landfill Operations Plan in the amount of \$264,484.51.

Staff described the need and scope of work for the Sudbury Road landfill.

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

Councilmember Casey moved to adopt Resolution No. 2022-37. Councilmember Nakonieczny seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 7 yes votes and 0 no votes.

- D. Resolution No. 2022-38 authorizing a contract with David Evans & Associates for public outreach and preparation of grant

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applications related to the bridges at 4th, 5th, and 6th Avenues in an amount not to exceed \$47,608.

Ki described the outreach and grant writing services to compete for bridge grants that are due mid-April. There was brief discussion on incentives for writing competitive grants.

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

Councilmember Koehler moved to adopt Resolution No. 2022-38. Councilmember Moss seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 7 yes votes and 0 no votes.

- E. Ordinance No. 2022-06 amending Municipal Code Section 8.20.195 pertaining to community clean up programs and fee waivers.

Staff reported this amends the Solid Waste Code to authorize the City Manager to approve requests for community clean-up programs and donations of compost to community groups and non-profit organizations.

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

Councilmember Reyna moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2022-06. Councilmember Moss seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 7 yes votes and 0 no votes.

- F. Approval of the February 2022 check register containing check numbers 17504 through 17581; 17583 through 17779; 332 through 344 totaling \$2,725,318.44.

Councilmember Moss moved to approve payment of the February 2022 check register containing check numbers 17504 through 17581; 17583 through 17779; 332 through 344 totaling \$2,725,318.44. Councilmember Koehler seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 7 yes votes and 0 no votes.

Councilmember Moss moved to approve payment of the checks to the Blue Mountain Action Council. Councilmember Nakonieczny seconded

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the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 6 yes votes, 0 no votes, and 1 abstention by Councilmember Koehler.

6. COUNCIL MEMBER MEETING REPORTS

Councilmember Moss reported attendance at the agenda setting meeting; the Valley Transit agenda setting meeting; the Work Session; and the ad hoc affordable housing task force meeting.

Councilmember Casey reported meeting with Port Commissioner Kip Kelly, and the Work Session.

Councilmember Reyna reported attendance at the ad hoc affordable housing task force.

Councilmember Nakonieczny reported attendance at a walkabout of the West ward regarding planting trees in parking strips, and the Work Session.

Councilmember Eskil reported attendance at the LEOFF 1 Disability Board meeting.

Councilmember Koehler reported attendance at the Work Session, and the ad hoc affordable housing task force meeting. Staff provided an update on the work of the ad hoc affordable housing task force.

Mayor Scribner reported attendance at a meeting with representatives of the Visit Walla Walla and Walla Walla Wine Alliance and suggested they be scheduled for a future Work Session; the Arts Commission meeting; the agenda setting meeting; a lunch meeting with City Manager Shawa; a meeting with the Columbia and Walla Walla County Accessible Communities Advisory Committee; a meeting with City Manager Shawa, Deputy City Manager Chamberlain, and Councilmember Moss regarding the retreat; the Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee meeting; and the LEOFF 1 Disability Board meeting.

7. UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS

Staff reported on advertising for the upcoming concerts. Tickets are on sale at Hot Poop.

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A community meet and greet for the four police Chief candidates is scheduled for March 16 at 5:30 p.m. at the Marcus Whitman Hotel & Conference Center.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.