



City Council Workshop Minutes
Monday, June 21, 2021, 4:30 PM
REMOTE MEETING PARTICIPATION

NOTE: Please see the published Agenda Packet for all item file attachments.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Ellen Burton called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members Greg Anderson, Bonnie Carter, Don Chaney, Steve Hogan, and Shannon Roberts

Absent: Melissa Smith

Staff: Bernie Bacon, Phil Bourquin, James Carothers, Jamal Fox, Sarah Fox, Jennifer Gorsuch, Cathy Huber Nickerson, Mitch Lackey, Bryan Rachal, Heather Rowley, Nick Swinhart and Connie Urquhart

Press: Kelly Moyer, Camas-Washougal Post-Records (5:07 p.m.)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one from the public wished to speak. Public comments emailed to publiccomments@cityofcamas.us are attached to the meeting minutes.

WORKSHOP TOPICS

1. Washougal/Camas Fire Department Merger Interlocal Agreement (ILA) Staffing Amendment

Presenter: Nick Swinhart, Fire Chief and David Scott, Washougal City Manager
Time Estimate: 15 minutes

Swinhart and Scott reviewed the agreement; discussion ensued. This item was also placed on the June 21, 2021 Consent Agenda for Council's consideration.

2. Lower Prune Hill Booster Pump Station Improvements Professional Services Agreement Amendment

Presenter: James Carothers, Engineering Manager
Time Estimate: 5 Minutes

This item will be placed on the July 6, 2021 Consent Agenda for Council's consideration.

3. South Lacamas Creek Trailhead Improvements Professional Services Agreement
Presenter: James Carothers, Engineering Manager
Time Estimate: 10 minutes

This item will be placed on the July 6, 2021 Consent Agenda for Council's consideration.

4. Camas North Shore Subarea Plan, Phase 2 – Consultant Contract
Presenter: Sarah Fox, Senior Planner
Time Estimate: 15 minutes

Fox provided an overview of the plan. This item will be placed on a future Council meeting agenda for Council's consideration.

5. Staff Miscellaneous Updates
Presenter: Jamal Fox, City Administrator
Time Estimate: 10 minutes

Gorsuch and Council Member Anderson provided an overview of the Mayor Appointment process.

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Carter attended the Library Board of Trustees meeting, an Internal Communications meeting with City staff, the City Council Town Hall, and congratulated Camas High School graduates. Carter announced vacating the Mayor Pro Tem alternate role.

Anderson commented about a future City Council Workshop presentation by Clark County's Council for the Homeless, met with the consultant about the Camas-Washougal Fire Department (CWFD), and attended the C-TRAN meeting and commented about the Town Hall meeting. Anderson wished all safe July 4th.

Hogan commented about the Town Hall meeting, attended the State Auditor's City of Camas Audit Exit meeting and congratulated staff on a clean audit. Hogan attended the Columbia River Economic Development Council (CREDC), Finance Committee, and met with the consultant about the CWFD. Hogan commented about the future Clark County's Council for the Homeless presentation.

Roberts attended the Audit Exit meeting, met with the consultant about the CWFD, and congratulated Camas High School graduates. Roberts commented about in-person meetings and about the City Administrator opening.

Chaney attended the Town Hall meeting, met with the consultant about the CWFD, and attended a Fire Joint Policy Advisory Committee (JPAC) meeting. Chaney attended the Downtown Camas

Association (DCA) DC Lending ribbon-cutting event. Chaney commented about the passing of a Clark Regional Emergency Services Association (CRESA) employee who was a Camas citizen.

Burton commented about Town Hall meetings, the City's website online surveys, and the Audit Exit meeting. Burton announced that the Camas Police Department has been reaccredited and about the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) conference. Burton commented about redistricting, an interim City Administrator and Crown Park improvements.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Randal Friedman, 1187 NW 10th, Camas, commented about the Housing Action Plan the North Shore project, and the Town Hall.

John Ley, 444 NW Fremont Street, Camas, commented about the North Shore project.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

Bernie Bacon

From: Douglas Strabel <dstrabel@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 21, 2021 3:30 PM
To: Public Comments
Subject: Five (5) Items for Discussion at CC Meeting 6-21-2021

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After the last CC Meeting (6/07) and the last Town Hall Meeting (6/14) it has become very apparent that YOU have decided to avoid DIRECT PUBLIC CONTACT as much as possible. Some of the responses by yourselves and especially from your fire wall (Dir of Public Relations) have made that very clear. Therefore the following questions are OPEN and NEED to be ADDRESSED.

Note to Question #2 – the response during the TH Meeting ONLY mentioned DEBATE. The resolution covers CONVERSATIONS, Q&A and RESPONSE also.

Five (5) Items for the 6/21/2021 CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

1. Since the City has announced the reopening of City Facilities effective July 1st 2021 on what date will the City Council Meetings move from the Zoom Format back to a face to face format with Taxpayer/Citizens in attendance? And additionally address Item #2?

2. Resolution #1252 (dtd 02/2020) states Citizens/Taxpayers are currently NOT ALLOWED to engage in a conversation, ask questions and expect a response or debate of any type.

There needs to be a Modification, Amendment or Repeal of Sec III Note E to thereby allow Conversation, Debate or Q&A.

Why do Comments/Questions to the City Council at CC Meetings not get answered or even posted into the City Website?

3. NW Lake Road and NW Sierra Street Traffic Signal:

This item has been moved again and is now listed as #8 on the City of Camas 2022-2027 Six Year Street Priorities with a schedule date of Jan 2024.

It now has a \$380K estimated cost.

This item was listed as a \$2.5M line item as part of the \$78M in the Failed Prop 2 in the 2019 Election.

Will it take a tragedy to get the project moved up in the priority list?

Why is this project LOWER than other items which have no potential for injury or death?

4. City Administrator Replacement: Why does the city not contact the #2 or #3 from the LAST search that was conducted in 2020? Why start over from scratch and FLUSH more citizen/taxpayer \$ down the drain?

5. Northshore Development Phase 2 Consultant Contract:

This item is on the Agenda today at a starting price of \$225K to WSP.

If memory serves the majority of Camasonians were not in favor of this project.

There are approx 25K people in Camas. Less than 1K participated in the Visioning portion of Phase 1.

When did the 25,000 citizens ask for this Development ?

The only winners when this is all said and done will be the Consultants (WSP), the Developers, the Contractors and those that have sold land to the city of Camas.

Not the CITIZENS.

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