



City Council Workshop Minutes
Tuesday, September 07, 2021, 4:30 PM
REMOTE MEETING PARTICIPATION

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SPECIAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members Greg Anderson, Bonnie Carter, Don Chaney, Melissa Smith and Steve Hogan (Due to connectivity issues, there were brief periods when Council Member Hogan was not in the meeting)

Excused: Council Member Shannon Roberts

Staff: Phil Bourquin, James Carothers, Sarah Fox, Jennifer Gorsuch, Cathy Huber Nickerson, Trang Lam, Robert Maul, Bryan Rachal, Heather Rowley, Denis Ryan, Jeff Swanson, Connie Urquhart and Steve Wall

Press: Kelly Moyer, Camas-Washougal Post-Record (4:46 p.m.)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one from the public wished to speak.

Public comments received via publiccomments@cityofcamas.us are attached to these minutes.

WORKSHOP TOPICS

1. Camas-Washougal Fire Department Partnership Analysis Update
Presenters: Nick Swinhart, Fire Chief; Rob Moody and Courtney Seto, Merina+CO

Moody and Seto provided an update about the Fire Department Partnership Analysis. Discussion ensued. This item will be placed on a future Council Workshop agenda for further discussion.
2. Overview of 2021 Annual Comprehensive Plan Amendment
Presenter: Sarah Fox, Senior Planner

Fox reviewed the proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendments. A public hearing will be scheduled for the September 20, 2021 Regular Meeting Agenda.
3. Citywide Traffic Signal Controller Upgrades Professional Services Contract Supplement

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Presenter: James Carothers, Engineering Manager

This item will be placed on the September 20, 2021 Consent Agenda for Council's consideration.

4. Water System Plan Amendment, Including Green Mountain Estates Booster Station
Presenter: James Carothers, Engineering Manager

This item will be placed on the September 20, 2021 Regular Meeting Agenda for Council's consideration.

5. 2021 Facility Condition Assessment
Presenters: Denis Ryan, Public Works Operations Supervisor and Steve Wall, Public Works Director

This item will be placed on the September 20, 2021 Consent Agenda for Council's consideration.

6. Amendments to Green Mountain PRD Development Agreements
Presenter: Steve Wall, Public Works Director

A public hearing will be scheduled for the September 20, 2021 Regular Meeting Agenda.

7. Staff Miscellaneous Updates
Presenter: Jeff Swanson, Interim City Administrator

Maul commented about annual code updates. Discussion ensued.

Wall provided updates about Lacamas Lodge, the water quality advisory at Lacamas Lake, and the annual Lacamas Lake drawdown and clean-up event.

Lam commented about the end of summer rentals and the parking lot attendant at Heritage Park.

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Carter, Anderson and Burton attended equity listening sessions and are preparing a presentation for a Council Workshop in November.

Carter and Hogan attended the Mayor's Meet and Greet event at the Camas Library.

Carter attended the Library Board of Trustees meeting and will attend the Meet the Mayor event at the Camas Farmers Market.

Anderson commented about the Camas-Washougal Fire Department's (CWFD) 9/11 event and will attend a C-TRAN Board meeting. Anderson requested routine Council updates about Stoel Rives' efforts, which has also been placed on the September 7, 2021 Consent Agenda.

Chaney attended the Columbia River Emergency Services Agency (CRESA) Board meeting.

Hogan will attend the CWFD 9/11 event.

Mayor commented about the Community Conversations key initiative, which includes the Camas-Washougal Chamber presentation, the Meet the Mayor events at the Camas Library and the Camas Farmers Market as well as the upcoming Town Hall.

Mayor recognized Camas Police Officer Tim McNall and commented about the upcoming the Police Activities League (PAL) fundraiser.

Mayor attended a Steigerwald Lake Wildlife Refuge tour.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

John Ley, 444 NW Fremont, Camas, commented about the Mayor's Meet and Greet at the Camas Library and the Lacamas Lake water quality.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

From: [Douglas Strabel](#)
To: [Public Comments](#)
Subject: Four (4) Items for Discussion at the 09/07/2021 CITY COUNCIL MEETING
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After the 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 your selves and especially from your fire wall (Dir of Public Relations) have made that very clear. Therefore the following questions are STILL OPEN and NEED to be ADDRESSED.

We, the CITIZENS of CAMAS find it amazing that you will not address the HARD TOPICS – Such as a Solution for the FIREWORKS ISSUE and keep kicking that can down the street for another year YET you spend 15 MINUTES on the topic of PARKING TICKETS.

Four (4) Items for the 9/07/2021 CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

1. Since the City has announced TO ONCE AGAIN SHUT DOWN City Facilities effective Sept 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. The response during the TH Meeting ONLY mentioned DEBATE. The resolution covers CONVERSATIONS, Q&A and RESPONSE also.

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

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. Northshore Development Phase 2 Consultant Contract:

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 MAJORITY of 25,000 citizens ask for this Development?

Why are CONSULTANTS constantly being used to SELL ideas to the taxpayers/citizens?

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.

What is the REAL PLAN for the almost 900 acres that are 25% owned by the City of Camas?

When do the citizens FIND OUT?

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