



City Council Workshop Minutes
Monday, December 07, 2020, 4:30 PM
REMOTE MEETING PARTICIPATION

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

SPECIAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Barry McDonnell called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Staff: Sam Adams, Phil Bourquin, James Carothers, Sherry Coulter, Jamal Fox, Sarah Fox, Jennifer Gorsuch, Cathy Huber Nickerson, Mitch Lackey, Shawn MacPherson, Heather Rowley, Nick Swinhart, Connie Urquhart and Steve Wall

Press: Kelly Moyer, Camas-Washougal Post-Record

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Scott McElhaney, 4227 NW Sage Loop, Camas, commented about the Lake Road roundabout, the proposed equity advisory committee, the affordable housing action plan, the 38th Avenue street improvements, and the Green Mountain property acquisition.

Nan Henriksen, 2823 NW Alpine Lane, Camas, commented about the Green Mountain property acquisition.

Kevin Bergstrom, 1210 NE 277th Avenue, Camas, commented about Camas-Washougal Fire Department (CWFD) staffing.

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

WORKSHOP TOPICS

1. Camas Housing Action Plan
Presenters: Sarah Fox, Senior Planner and Melissa Mailloux, Mosaic Community Planning

Fox and Mailloux provided an update about the Housing Action Plan. Discussion ensued. This item will be placed on a future agenda for further discussion.

2. Mark Marine Lease Extension
Presenter: Sam Adams, Utilities Manager

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Adams provided an overview of the lease extension and responded to Council's questions. This item was also placed on the December 7, 2020 Consent Agenda for Council's consideration.

3. NW 38th Avenue Improvements, Phase 3, Professional Services Agreement
Presenter: James Carothers, Engineering Manager

Carothers provided an overview of the improvements project. Discussion ensued. This item will be placed on the December 21, 2020 Consent Agenda for Council's consideration.

4. Ostenson Canyon Storm and Road Repair Professional Services Agreement Amendment
Presenter: Jim Carothers, Engineering Manager

Carothers provided an overview of the road repair project and responded to Council's questions. This item will be placed on the December 21, 2020 Consent Agenda for Council's consideration.

5. Green Mountain Area Property Acquisition
Presenter: Steve Wall, Public Works Director and Shawn MacPherson, City Attorney

Wall provided an overview of the property acquisition. Discussion ensued. This item was also placed on the December 7, 2020 Regular Meeting Agenda for Council's consideration.

6. Draft Resolution - Requesting Feasibility Study for Improved Broadband in Clark County
Presenter: Jamal Fox, City Administrator

This item was also placed on the December 7, 2020 Regular Meeting Agenda for Council's consideration.

7. Ad Hoc Equity Advisory Committee
Presenter: Jamal Fox, City Administrator

This item will be placed on a future agenda for Council's consideration.

8. Draft Resolution Amending Resolution No. 1214
Presenter: Jamal Fox, City Administrator

This item will be placed on a future agenda for Council's consideration.

9. City Administrator Miscellaneous and Updates
This is a placeholder for miscellaneous or emergent items.
Presenter: Jamal Fox, City Administrator

There were no miscellaneous items or updates.

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Hogan requested to discuss Resolution No. 16-009 at a future Council workshop.

Burton attended several events regarding diversity, transportation, leadership, community, and the Columbia River Economic Development Commission (CREDC).

Anderson commented about small group briefings, the Council Visioning session, and the annual Planning Conference. He will attend a C-TRAN meeting.

Carter commented about the Walk and Knock, Drive and Drop and the Stuff the Bus charitable events. She provided an update about the weekly Clark County Restaurant Owners phone call and encouraged everyone to support Camas restaurants and small businesses.

Chaney commented about Clark Regional Emergency Services Agency (CRESA) and the annual Planning Conference. He thanked Carter for representing Camas at the weekly restaurant calls.

Roberts commented about Pearl Harbor Day and citizen emails. She attended a transportation seminar, and meetings of Port of Camas-Washougal and the Planning Commission. She will attend the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Glenn Lamb, The Columbia Land Trust, commented about conservation and the Green Mountain property acquisition.

Alicia King, Camas, commented about the Housing Survey, the Green Mountain property acquisition, interviewing for Council positions, and a proposed urban forest commission.

Patty Barnard, 2510 NW 45th Avenue, Camas, commented about the Green Mountain property acquisition.

Kevin Bergstrom, 1210 NE 277th Avenue, Camas, commented about the Green Mountain property acquisition and staffing of Camas fire and police departments.

Geri Rubano, 1216 NE 6th Avenue, Camas, commented about the Green Mountain property acquisition, a proposed urban forest commission, hiring an arborist, and the CWFD.

John Ley, 44 NW Fremont Street, Camas, commented about the Green Mountain property acquisition, and funding for infrastructure and CWFD staffing.

Heather Kesmodel, 1506 NE 6th Avenue, Camas, commented about public communication, the Green Mountain property acquisition, a proposed urban forest commission, hiring an arborist, and CWFD staffing.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

From: [Ellen Burton](#)
To: [Public Comments](#)
Cc: [Heather Rowley](#); [Nan Henriksen](#)
Subject: Public comment 12/7/2020 Seize this moment of opportunity!
Date: Monday, December 7, 2020 2:19:16 PM

Hi,

This comment is from Nan Henriksen:

12/7 Public Comment

I hope to give public comment at today's workshop. Since I'm technologically challenged and may not succeed at this, I'm sending you my comment.

I am Nan Henriksen and live at 2823 NW Alpine Lane in Camas.
I would like to comment on the agenda item Green Mountain acquisition.

I realize times are tough and uncertain right now. But I want to remind you about long term vision, windows of opportunity and past sacrifices made to preserve green ways and open spaces in Camas.

About 35 years ago when there were only 6,000 citizens in Camas and times were not that great and very uncertain, those generous citizens chose to invest 1 million dollars in a vision to preserve quality green spaces from development and save them for future generations' enjoyment and quality of life.

Over the years Lloyd Halverson, Jerry Acheson and others stretched that initial citizen investment through partnerships with land owners, grants and other means. Subsequent city councils also added to that investment.

Current residents who move to Camas partly because of these amenities may have no idea that so much of what they now value and enjoy could well have been developed and lost if we had not stepped up back then.

Now, with 4 times that mid '80's population, you have the rare opportunity to save marvelous trees, green spaces and vistas from development for future generations of Camas Citizens.

Please be brave, step up, take the risk and seize this moment of opportunity!

Thank you.

Sent via
Ellen L. Burton
Camas City Council Member 1 Ward 3