



**City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 17, 2021, 7:00 PM
REMOTE MEETING PARTICIPATION**

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

SPECIAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Ellen Burton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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

Excused: Council Member Melissa Smith

Staff: Phil Bourquin, James Carothers, Jennifer Gorsuch, Cathy Huber Nickerson, Mitch Lackey, Trang Lam, Bryan Rachal, Heather Rowley, Ron Schumacher, Nick Swinhart, Connie Urquhart and Steve Wall

Press: Kelly Moyer, Camas-Washougal Post-Record

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Randal Friedman, 1187 Northwest 10th Avenue, Camas, commented about the Georgia-Pacific (GP) Camas Mill and the Washington State Department of Ecology.

CONSENT AGENDA

NOTE: Consent Agenda items may be removed for general discussion or action.

1. May 3, 2021 Camas City Council Workshop and Regular Meeting Minutes
2. \$1,167,487.19 Automated Clearing House and Claim Checks Numbered 147450 to 147608
3. \$91,673.84 April 2021 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Write-off Billings;
\$81,246.20 Monthly Uncollectable Balance of Medicare and Medicaid Accounts and
\$10,427.64 Ground Emergency Medical Transport funding (Submitted by Cathy Huber Nickerson, Finance Director)
4. Aeration Basin #3 Cleaning Project (Submitted by Sam Adams, Utilities Manager)

5. NW 38th Avenue (Ph 2) Wetland Monitoring Professional Services Amendment 1 (Submitted by James Carothers, Engineering Manager)
6. Grounds Equipment and Maintenance (GEM) Interlocal Agreement Extension (Submitted by Denis Ryan, Public Works Operations Supervisor)
7. Interlocal agreement renewal with East County Fire and Rescue (Submitted by Nick Swinhart, Fire Chief)

It was moved by Roberts, and seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS

8. Staff

There were no updates from staff.

9. Council

Anderson attended an equity listening session and meetings for C-TRAN and the Joint Policy Advisory Committee (JPAC).

Chaney commented about the GP Camas Mill and the Department of Ecology.

Hogan requested to add to the current meeting an agenda item to discuss the GP Camas Mill and the Department of Ecology.

Roberts attended a Clark County Veterans Advisory Board meeting and will attend the Planning Commission meeting. She commented about the GP Camas Mill and the Department of Ecology.

Carter attended a Library Board of Trustees meeting and commented about candidate deadlines for elected positions.

Hogan attended the Columbia River Economic Development Council (CREDC) meeting and commented about Camas Days.

MAYOR

10. Mayor Announcements

Mayor Pro Tem attended the Downtown Camas Association (DCA) First Friday, a DCA Board meeting, a Department of Ecology seminar, and a JPAC meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem acknowledged the resignation of former mayor, Barry McDonnell, and thanked him for his service to the City and commented about the process to appoint an interim Mayor.

She commented about future Council meeting agendas and the City Council Town Hall on June 14, 2021.

11. Taiwanese American Heritage Week Proclamation

Mayor Pro Tem Proclaimed May 16-22, 2021 as Taiwanese American Heritage Week in Camas.

MEETING ITEMS

12. Professional Services Agreement with Merina+CO
Presenter: Nick Swinhart, Fire Chief

It was moved by Anderson, and seconded, to approve the Professional Services Agreement with Merina+CO. The motion carried unanimously.

13. American Rescue Plan Act Funding
Presenter: Cathy Huber Nickerson, Finance Director

Huber Nickerson presented an overview of the American Rescue Plan Act Funding. Discussion ensued. This item will be placed on a future agenda for further discussion.

14. Nonprofit Funding Process Proposal
Presenter: Cathy Huber Nickerson, Finance Director

Huber Nickerson provided an overview of the proposed process. Discussion ensued. This item will be placed on a future agenda for further discussion.

15. City of Camas Proclamation of Civil Emergency COVID-19
Presenter: Jennifer Gorsuch, Administrative Services Director

It was moved by Chaney, and seconded, that the Mayor's Proclamation of Civil Emergency dated March 18, 2020, the Supplement dated April 15, 2020, and the Amendment dated June 16, 2020, be reaffirmed. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEMS ADDED TO THE AGENDA

16. Georgia-Pacific and Washington State Department of Ecology Discussion

With Council consensus, Mayor Pro Tem will send a letter to the Washington State Department of Ecology requesting a citizen advisory committee for the GP Camas Mill clean up.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Easton Lee, Vancouver, commented about the Taiwanese American Heritage Proclamation

David Ripp, Port of Camas-Washougal, commented about Georgia-Pacific and the Department of Ecology.

Randal Friedman, 1187 Northwest 10th Avenue, Camas, commented about Georgia-Pacific and the Department of Ecology.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

17. Executive Session – Topic: Potential Litigation (RCW 42.30.110)

The Council met in an Executive Session regarding potential litigation per RCW 42.30.110. Mayor Pro Tem recessed the regular meeting at 8:28 p.m. It was held via online ZOOM application. Elected officials present were: Mayor Pro Tem Burton and Council Members Anderson, Carter, Chaney, Hogan, and Roberts. Others present were City Attorney Shawn MacPherson, Administrative Services Director Jennifer Gorsuch, Community Development Director Phil Bourquin, Public Works Director Steve Wall, Planning Manager Robert Maul and Engineering Manager James Carothers. The regular meeting reconvened at 8:58 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.