



**City Council Regular Meeting Minutes  
Monday, November 20, 2023, 7:00 PM  
Council Chambers, 616 NE 4th AVE**

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

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Pro Tem Don Chaney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Council Members Marilyn Boerke, Bonnie Carter, Tim Hein, Leslie Lewallen, John Nohr, and Jennifer Senescu

Remote: Council Member Bonnie Carter

Staff: Sydney Baker, Cliff Free, Jennifer Gorsuch, Cathy Huber Nickerson, Tina Jones, Trang Lam, Shawn MacPherson, Alan Peters, Doug Quinn, Bryan Rachal, Connie Urquhart, and Steve Wall

Press: Kelly Moyer, Camas-Washougal Post Record

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No one from the public wished to speak.

**WORKSHOP TOPICS CARRIED OVER FROM THE NOVEMBER 20, 2023 WORKSHOP MEETING**

2. Professional Services Agreement for Task Order #4 at the Waste Water Treatment Plant  
Presenter: Rob Charles, Utilities Manager  
  
This item will be placed on the December 4, 2023 Regular Meeting Consent Agenda.
3. CMC 13.32 Water Use Regulations Code Revisions for Water/Backflow Prevention  
Presenter: Rob Charles, Utilities Manager  
  
This item will be placed on the December 4, 2023 Regular Meeting Consent Agenda.
5. Staff Miscellaneous Updates  
Presenter: Doug Quinn, City Administrator

There were no staff updates.

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

Senescu attended the Camas Cellars ribbon cutting and the Downtown Camas Association (DCA) banquet dinner. Senescu commented about the cereal challenge for the Treasure House.

Nohr attended the fireworks subcommittee meeting and the Columbia River Mental Health Services Courageous Conversations luncheon.

Boerke attended the DCA banquet, Camas-Washougal Chamber of Commerce luncheon, Camas Cellars ribbon cutting, and the DCA Sip-N-Shop. Boerke commented about mental health.

Lewallen commented about homelessness and asked that a discussion be placed on a Council agenda.

Hein thanked citizens for their comments and commented about C-TRAN. Hein attended the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Coffee event on Veterans Days and commented on the Camas Washougal Fire Department Interlocal Agreement.

Carter commented about the Everett Street Corridor, Camas Little League, and homelessness.

Chaney thanked citizens for their comments.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Camas City Council November 6, 2023 Workshop and Regular Meeting Minutes Approval
2. \$1,091,642.88 Automated Clearing House 700255-700283 and Claim Checks 156137-156277.
3. 2022-2026 Generator Maintenance and Repair Change Order 2 – Increase for 2023-2024 Contract Year in the amount of \$4,600.87 (10%). 2023/2024 Contract Amount = \$50,655.63  
(Submitted by Will Noonan, Public Works Operations Manager)
4. Interlocal Agreement with Clark County and Clark County Jurisdictions for Cooperative Climate Planning  
(Submitted by Alan Peters, Community Development Director)
5. \$145,084.30 for July 2023 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Write-off Billings; \$125,673.99 for Monthly Uncollectable Balance of Medicare and Medicaid Accounts and \$19,410.31 for Ground Emergency Medical Transport funding.  
(Submitted by Cathy Huber Nickerson, Finance Director)

6. \$125,388.07 for August 2023 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Write-off Billings; \$116,703.51 for Monthly Uncollectable Balance of Medicare and Medicaid Accounts and \$8,684.56 for Ground Emergency Medical Transport funding.  
(Submitted by Cathy Huber Nickerson, Finance Director)
7. \$99,819.87 for September 2023 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Write-off Billings; \$96,980.87 for Monthly Uncollectable Balance of Medicare and Medicaid Accounts and \$2,839.00 for Ground Emergency Medical Transport funding.  
(Submitted by Cathy Huber Nickerson, Finance Director)
8. \$163,845.93 for October 2023 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Write-off Billings for Monthly Uncollectable Balance of Medicare and Medicaid Accounts  
(Submitted by Cathy Huber Nickerson, Finance Director)
9. \$171,955 Right Systems Inc. Change Order #2  
(Cathy Huber Nickerson, Finance Director)

**Council Member Lewallen asked that item number four (4) Interlocal Agreement with Clark County and Clark County Jurisdictions for Cooperative Climate Planning, be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.**

**It was moved by Boerke, and seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.**

#### **NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

10. Staff  
There were no staff comments.
11. Council  
Boerke commented about Camas Cellars.  
Nohr thanked staff for their efforts.

#### **MAYOR**

12. Mayor Announcements  
There were no additional Mayor announcements.
13. Small Business Saturday Proclamation  
Mayor Pro Tem Chaney proclaimed November 25, 2023 as Small Business Saturday in the City of Camas.

## MEETING ITEMS

14. Public Stormwater Facility Maintenance Construction Contract Award  
Presenter: Rob Charles, Utilities Manager  
Time Estimate: 5 minutes

**It was moved by Nohr, and seconded, to move that Council waive the minor bid irregularity as outlined in the staff report and the bid be awarded to Emeritec, Inc., for the amount of \$67,360.06 and authorize the Mayor or designee to sign the contract and change orders up to ten percent of the original contract amount. The motion passed unanimously.**

15. STEP Tank Control Panel Upgrade Construction Award  
Presenter: Rob Charles, Utilities Manager  
Time Estimate: 5 minutes

**It was moved by Boerke, and seconded, that the bid of Elite Electrical Contracting be rejected as non-responsive due to a major irregularity as outlined in the Staff Report and that the bid be awarded to Prestige Electric for the amount of \$221,286.94 and authorize the Mayor or designee to sign the contract and change orders up to 10 percent of the original contract amount. The motion passed unanimously.**

16. Ordinance No. 23-013 Amendment to Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Maps (MacKay Annual Review Request)  
Presenter: Robert Maul, Planning Manager  
Time Estimate: 5 minutes

**It was moved by Hein, and seconded, that Ordinance Number 23-013 Amendment to Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Maps be adopted and published according to law. The motion passed unanimously.**

17. Resolution No. 23-010 Revising the City of Camas Fee Schedule for 2024  
Presenters: Debra Brooks, Financial Analyst and Cathy Huber Nickerson, Finance Director  
Time Estimate: 5 minutes

**It was moved by Boerke, and seconded, that Resolution Number 23-010 Revising the City of Camas Fee Schedule for 2024 be adopted. The motion passed unanimously.**

18. Public Hearing – 2024 Property Tax Levies  
Presenter: Cathy Huber Nickerson, Finance Director  
Time Estimate: 10 minutes

Mayor Pro Tem opened the public hearing at 7:58 p.m. No one wished to provide public comment.

The public hearing closed at 7:59 p.m.

19. Ordinance No. 23-014 Levying the Ad Valorem Taxes for the 2024 General Fund  
Presenter: Cathy Huber Nickerson, Finance Director  
Time Estimate: 10 minutes

**It was moved by Nohr, and seconded, that Ordinance Number 23-014 Levying the Ad Valorem Taxes for the 2024 General Fund. The motion passed with majority vote.**

**Boerke – Yay  
Carter – Yay  
Chaney – Yay  
Hein – Yay  
Nohr – Yay  
Senescu – Nay**

20. Ordinance No. 23-015 Levying the Ad Valorem Taxes Regarding Emergency Medical Services Levy for 2024  
Presenter: Cathy Huber Nickerson, Finance Director  
Time Estimate: 5 minutes

**It was moved by Nohr, and seconded, that Ordinance Number 23-015 Levying the Ad Valorem Taxes Regarding Emergency Medical Services Levy for 2024. The motion passed with majority vote.**

**Boerke – Yay  
Carter – Yay  
Chaney – Yay  
Hein – Yay  
Nohr – Yay  
Senescu – Nay**

#### **ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

4. Interlocal Agreement with Clark County and Clark County Jurisdictions for Cooperative Climate Planning  
(Submitted by Alan Peters, Community Development Director)

Peters explained the agreement and discussion ensued.

**It was moved by Nohr, and seconded, to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Clark County and Clark County Jurisdictions for Cooperative Climate Planning. The motion passed unanimously.**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No one from the public wished to speak.

#### **CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 8:16 p.m.