



CITY COUNCIL

Work Session Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2026

Mayor Primmer called the City Council work session meeting to order at 6:00pm. Present were Councilors Hayward, Roberts, Myers, McCarthy, Duron, Kelso, and Barron. City Staff in attendance included: City Manager Byron Smith, Assistant City Manager Mark Morgan, City Attorney Richard Tovey, Finance Director Ignacio Palacios, Police Chief Jason Edmiston, City Planner Clint Spencer, Parks and Recreation Director Brandon Artz, and City Recorder Lilly Alarcon-Strong.

Carnegie Library Proposed Uses

Hermiston Historical & Cultural Society

Steve Meyers representing the Hermiston Historical & Cultural Society (the Society) thanked the Council for allowing him the opportunity to present and recognize founding members in the audience Dennis and Anne Doherty. Mr. Meyers stated the Society presented information to the Council three years prior asking for the opportunity to convert the Carnegie Library into a Traveling Art and History Museum, in the months after the presentation, the Society received \$10,000 each from the Wildhorse Foundation and Amazon to create a website, which has been completed, and build a conceptual plan for the interior of the Carnegie Library. Although there has been some pause from the Society, the City has continued to move forward with receiving a grant for the remodel of the building, obtaining community surveys regarding preferred future use of the building, and the Council's willingness to hear potential use proposals. Many communities along the I-84 corridor have communities with buildings that are still standing after 150 years and have museums displaying their history; likewise, Hermiston's neighboring communities in Heppner, Pendleton, Echo, Umatilla, Boardman, and others also have traditional museums and other uniquely focused centers. Many may believe that Hermiston does not need this amenity because our neighbors have these structures, however, none of them are telling our story which is unique, compelling, and inspiring, which has developed Hermiston into a premier community in Eastern Oregon and is to invaluable to not only share so this knowledge continues to live on about our history but also about the people who established Hermiston and made it into the community it is today, like: EP Dode, Joe Burns, Russ Dorran, Dorris Bounds, and Bill Warner, these are all hidden figures that shouldn't be forgotten, including the business community like Lamb-Weston that was founded in Hermiston and is now one of the world wide leaders in potato products.

Mayor Primmer asked Mr. Meyers what his vision of the space would be and if he would be open to sharing the space with another organization.

Mr. Meyers stated his vision may be different from the other members' but would incorporate a travel history and art center utilizing the top level of the building with flexible design furniture to make the space versatile; he isn't completely sure about the design space for the basement level but believes there is plenty of room to share the building. The Society would also propose a partnership with the City to develop an Oversight Committee with City and Community Members to build a conceptual design plan for the building using the \$14,000 left in the Society's matching grant funds.

(Handout Attached)



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Hermiston Amateur Radio Club

Hermiston Amateur Radio Club (the HARC) President Sam Vore thanked the Council for their dedicated time serving the community in this way and asked that the Council consider allowing the HARC to use the Carnegie Library's basement east room and part of the main level for a larger meeting space able to accommodate about 30 people. The main level meeting space would not only be for the HARC's use, but for community use as well. Mr. Vore stated the HARC has 32 members with a wide variety of communication interests with the overall goal of providing a fixed location where the HARC can conduct meetings, host workshops, and with two main points in their mission:

Mission One: To Reach and Teach. This is done through STEM education and career access for scholarships and hands-on experience, creating relationships that school groups and anyone, at any age, who has an interest in this field can access as this group globally promotes diversity, as well as through the American Radio Relay League, Oregon Section. Held annually, globally, there are youth events that test radio operators' ability to set up a station and be able to communicate. This year's winter competition was held at EOTEC. It is also a great way for children and youth to come to these events and be able to see and touch equipment, ask questions, and discuss what radio is all about and how two-way radio is still applicable today. This also aligns with the 2025 City Council Goals for Community Engagement.

Mission two: To be a Communication Asset to the City of Hermiston. This is done by being a supplemental emergency communication asset as the building's proximity to City Hall is ideal in case of a natural or manmade emergency. the City would gain direct communication access to FEMA, Emergency Operation Centers within Umatilla and Morrow County and to the west-side of the state, as well as hospitals to include Good Shepherd and St. Anthony's in Pendleton and other government agencies. The Pendleton's Amateur Radio Club also focuses on emergency services having weekly meetings and tests that activate during severe weather and gives real time data to the local weather service. The Club was able to help with the search of a missing woman and previous floods. When there are no other ways to reach people, two-radio is the solution.

Mr. Vore stated HARC's proposal does not require any City expenditures as all services are free to the community and City of Hermiston. Any updates to the building would be paid for with donations and the antenna placement would not interfere with the historic preservation of the building. AWS has been very generous with donations focused on community programs. Although the basement's east room is preferable and space to accommodate a group of 30 for meetings, HARC would be grateful for any space in the basement. HAM amateur radio, is not something of the past, it continues to be an asset in our present and future and it's important to find new more efficient ways to be enthusiastic about this technology as radios are used by first responders, astronauts, the railroad, excited kids on Christmas using their two way radios for the first time, and for many other uses. Mr. Vore expressed HARC's excitement for the possibility to have a home base.

Councilors asked a variety of questions regarding why the HARC chose Carnegie Library as a potential home base and what other infrastructure would be needed for the HARC to be successful in this building.



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Mr. Vore stated Carnegie was selected because it was an available space but also because it fits into the City's Goals and community surveys received, finding that the location was also a benefit to the City. HARC may need more power circuits and backup power, but HARC has the flexibility to use batteries and backup generators or the like, but that can be established if we move forward with this proposal.

Councilors Duron and Myers expressed interest in staff hosting a meeting with all Carnegie presenters to see if there was a way that all ideas could be incorporated in the building.

Councilors Barron, McCarthy, Roberts, Linton, and Kelso disagreed stating space was too limited to be able to incorporate all ideas, but felt that the space could more appropriately incorporate a museum, art center, and radio club.

After additional discussion and answering questions from the Council, City Manager Byron Smith stated staff would reach out to all presenters for a joint meeting and present findings with potential recommendations at or after the second meeting in June.

Adjournment

Mayor Primmer ended the work session at 6:55pm and stated the City Council would convene for their regular council meeting at 7:00pm.

The Hermiston Carnegie Library

Using a grant in 1915, the Hermiston Carnegie Library was designed by Portland architect Folger Johnson, the architect for seven Carnegie libraries in Oregon. Three are on the National Register: the **Gresham Library**, now Gresham Historical Museum, 1913; the **Umatilla County Library**, now Pendleton Center for the Arts, 1916; and the **Arleta Library** in Portland, 1918. Other Carnegie Libraries on the National Register: **Hood River, The Dalles, Baker City, Enterprise, Oregon City, Medford, Marshfield, La Grande (pending)**

Hermiston Historical and Culture Society

501(c)(3) organization, formed in July 2022 as one of Oregon’s arts, heritage and humanities nonprofits. Our organization brings

- Non-profit status
- Hermistonmuseum.org website for stories, photos, documents
- Grant funding to create a conceptual plan for a history and arts center, provided by Wildhorse Foundation and Amazon

A 501(c)(3) nonprofit offers several advantages:

Tax benefits

- Exempt from income tax on money related to your mission
- Donors can deduct contributions on their taxes, making fundraising easier

Fundraising advantages

- Eligible to apply for foundation grants, which are generally unavailable to for-profits
- Access to government grants at federal, state, and local levels
- Donors are more willing to give generously when they get a tax deduction

Credibility and trust

- IRS recognition signals legitimacy and accountability to the public
- Required to file Form 990, which builds donor confidence
- Easier to attract board members, volunteers, and institutional partners

There are about 1,700 nonprofits listed with the Oregon Cultural Trust

Hood River – 14
The Dalles – 18
Hermiston – 2

Pendleton – 15
La Grande – 9

Who will benefit from a Hermiston history and arts center?

- Citizens who believe historical preservation is crucial to community enrichment
- Teachers and parents who help instill pride in children about their local heritage
- Economic development specialists who promote and present Hermiston

What is the Story of Hermiston?

Prehistory – Ice Age Missoula floods and regional geology.

Tribal Traditions – The history and culture of the people who have lived on the land for more than 10,000 years, including present-day perspectives.

Pioneer and Early Trails – Lewis & Clark, Oregon Trail and tribal trails each cut a path through our area.

Early Hermiston – Settling Hermiston; the establishment of the Bureau of Reclamation's Hermiston irrigation project as one of the first in the West; early hospitals, utilities and railroads.

People Power Profiles of founders and other citizens who built Hermiston, yesterday and today. Profiles of businesses, churches and other organizations.

The Sporting Life – Sporting activities, school and community, through the century.

School Days – The people and places that shaped our youth, from the Sandstone School onward.

The Carnegie Building – Granted in 1915, a building funded by steel magnate Andrew Carnegie served as Hermiston's city library until 1989.

Coming of Ordnance – In the months preceding World War II, 7,000 workers descended on a town of 800 to build an Army ammunition depot.

McNary Dam – With construction beginning in 1947, the dam today provides for navigation, flood control, hydropower, recreation, wildlife habitat and irrigation.

The Irrigated Agriculture Revolution – The establishment of center pivot irrigation and coming of Lamb Weston in the 1970s triggered the multi-billion industry of today.

Multi-Cultural Influences – From early settlers to the multi-cultural community of today, the populations that have influenced our history and contemporary life.

Hermiston Today – The expansion of data centers, irrigated agriculture, medical facilities, transportation and other investments that influence and enrich a growing community.

Hermiston Historical and Culture Society - Contact us at info@hermistonmuseum.org



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Regular Meeting Minutes

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Mayor Primmer called the regular meeting to order at 7:02pm. Present were Councilors Hayward, Roberts, Myers, Duron, Linton, Kelso, McCarthy, and Barron. City Staff in attendance included: City Manager Byron Smith, Assistant City Manager Mark Morgan, City Attorney Richard Tovey, Finance Director Ignacio Palacios, Police Chief Jason Edmiston, Planning Director Clint Spencer, Parks and Recreation Director Brandon Artz, Court Administrator Jillian Viles, and City Recorder Lilly Alarcon-Strong. The pledge of allegiance was given.

Proclamation- National Police Week

Mayor Primmer read aloud the National Police Week Proclamation and thanked all those who serve in this field and asked Chief Edmiston to give a sincere thank you to his department personnel.

Citizen Input on Non-Agenda Items

None given.

Consent Agenda Items

Councilor McCarthy moved and Councilor Hayward seconded to approve Consent Agenda items A-D, to include:

- A. Committee Vacancy Announcements
- B. Appointment Recommendation for Kyleen Kosirog to the Budget Committee Position #4 ending December 31, 2029
- C. Appointment Recommendation for David Korb to the Airport Advisory Committee Position #2 ending October 31, 2029
- D. Liquor License Application Recommendation to: One Stop Mart #18 located at 1295 NW 11th Street

Motion carried unanimously with Councilors Hayward, McCarthy, Roberts, Myers, Duron, Linton, Kelso, and Barron voting in favor.

Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

No items were removed.

Public Hearing- Rename E Airport Road to E Veterans Ave

Hearing no conflicts of interest City Manager Smith presented the hearing guidelines and Mayor Primmer opened the hearing at 7:09pm.

Planning Director Clint Spencer presented information from the agenda packet regarding Council consideration of renaming E Airport Road to E Veterans Avenue as the City Council received a recommendation from the Airport Advisory Committee to change the name of E Airport Road due to the proximity to E Airport Way and the confusion surrounding these two similar named roads. The Council, at the February 23, 2026 meeting asked the city engineer to study and prepare a recommendation on whether renaming E Airport Road is appropriate. The issue has been historically raised at both the city and county level. The City does not have a recommendation and is simply presenting findings based on the information received.



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Public Testimony

Gary Culp (written testimony also received and attached), Chris Grant, Jodi Oswald, Sherie Britt, Bryce White, Robin Lamoreaux, Martin Gregory, Dan Coffey (County Residents) and Susan and Karen Jones (City Residents)- asked that the Council leave E Airport Road name as-is, stating: the amount of time the Road has been named this, larger and improved signage can be placed at E Airport Way and E Airport Road for better visibility, the many packages that are misdelivered are always delivered to the correct address by individuals, changing the name to E Airport Way as the name change would impact less businesses and residents, the amount of time and financial burden it will take to change their addresses for personal and business purposes and that the City should pay for these expenses, emergency responders know where they need to go as they are familiar with both of the street naming, and name changes should only be considered when there is documentation regarding emergency services concerning this issue.

Craig Hansen- stated he owns a title business on E Airport Road and changing the name will require many legal documents to be changed for business purposes and asked that he be given something in writing from the City if the Council approves the name change.

Rolf Anderson, Airport Manager- stated the recommendation to change the name of E Airport Road is due to the proximity of E Airport Way which does lead to the Municipal Airport and is named approximately based on other street names of Airports in the region. As previously mentioned, besides the many packages that are misdelivered, many out of town guests with and without large trailers turn on to E Airport Way in search of EOTEC located on E Airport Road as this is the first Airport sign they see and as the City grows and brings in more people for events or flying in for business this becomes more of a constant issue, and also wanting to make sure emergency services are not confused and arrive at their destination quickly.

Erick Peterson- Stated he recently developed Tourette Syndrome and apologized for any disruption this may cause, stating he would like to attend public meetings in-person but would appreciate letting him know if this is an issue.

Kyleen Kosirog- stated E Airport Way signage should be improved as it is difficult to see.

Hearing no others who wished to provide testimony, Mayor Primmer closed the hearing at 7:46pm.

The Council discussed in length the many reasons in favor of changing the name of E Airport Road, as well as keeping it as-is and Councilor Myers moved and Councilor Duron seconded to direct staff to prepare a resolution for adoption on May 26th retaining the E Airport Road name. Motion carried unanimously with Councilors Hayward, McCarthy, Roberts, Myers, Duron, Linton, Kelso, and Barron voting in favor.

Ordinance No. 2382- Amending Chapter 51 Sewer

City Attorney Richard Tovey read the ordinance by title only.

Assistant City Manager Mark Morgan presented information found in the agenda packet regarding establishing an Industrial Pretreatment Program and clarifying fine and fees for the FOG Program.



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Public Comment

Kyleen Kosirog- Asked if the City had worked with the Health Department on this program.

Assistant City Manager Morgan stated the program is directly from the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality.

Councilor Hayward moved and Councilor McCarthy seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 2382 at a single meeting and become effective 30-days after adoption by the City Council. Motion carried unanimously with Councilors Hayward, McCarthy, Roberts, Myers, Duron, Linton, Kelso, and Barron voting in favor.

Resolution No. 2422- NW 2nd & Dogwood Construction Award

Assistant City Manager Mark Morgan presented information regarding awarding the NW 2nd Street and W Dogwood Ave Roadway Improvement Project to Bolen Construction as the low bidder.

Councilor Duron moved and Councilor Hayward seconded to approve Resolution No. 2422 and lay upon the record. Motion carried unanimously with Councilors Hayward, McCarthy, Roberts, Myers, Duron, Linton, Kelso, and Barron voting in favor.

Resolution No. 2423- Orchard Ave Water Line Construction Award

Assistant City Manager Mark Morgan presented information regarding awarding the Orchard Avenue Water Line Replacement Project to C&E Trenching LLC as the low bidder and spoke regarding other improvements that will be done simultaneously such as sidewalk infill.

Councilor McCarthy moved and Councilor Hayward seconded to approve Resolution No. 2423 and lay upon the record. Motion carried unanimously with Councilors Hayward, McCarthy, Roberts, Myers, Duron, Linton, Kelso, and Barron voting in favor.

Resolution No. 2424 – Agreement for IT Services with Stepping Stones Alliance (SSA)

City Manager Byron Smith presented information regarding an intergovernmental agreement with Stepping Stones Alliance to provide IT Services for four hours a month. The low number of hours is due to the small number of staff and devices they use.

Councilor Duron moved and Councilor McCarthy seconded to approve Resolution No. 2424 and lay upon the record. Motion carried unanimously with Councilors Hayward, McCarthy, Roberts, Myers, Duron, Linton, Kelso, and Barron voting in favor.

2nd Quarter 2026 Quarterly Investment Report

Councilor McCarthy moved and Councilor Hayward seconded to accept the 2nd Quarter 2026 Quarterly Investment Report as presented by Finance Director Ignacio Palacios (PowerPoint Presentation attached). Motion carried unanimously with Councilors Hayward, McCarthy, Roberts, Myers, Duron, Linton, Kelso, and Barron voting in favor.



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Hermiston Aquatic Wellness Center Task Force Report

Cassie Hibbert, Senior Project Manager for Wenaha Group presented (PowerPoint Presentation attached) information regarding the Hermiston Aquatic Wellness Center (HAWC).

Public Comment

Susan Jones and Kyleen Kosirog stated they had questions regarding this topic. Mayor Primmer stated this time was reserved for public comments and not questions and were encouraged to contact staff after the meeting to answer questions.

After some Council discussion regarding the high expense it would be to build and maintain this Center, as well as the communities "Can-Do Attitude", City Manager Smith stated no action was being requested from Council as this information was an update with what the Council can expect moving forward this year.

Continuation of Meeting

City Manager Smith stated according to Council Rules, the Council must vote to continue or adjourn the Council meeting once the meeting has reached the hour of 9:30pm, which it is now.

After staff answered questions from the Council, Councilor Linton moved and Councilor Barron seconded to continue the meeting for an additional hour. Motion carried unanimously with Councilors Hayward, McCarthy, Roberts, Myers, Duron, Linton, Kelso, and Barron voting in favor. Councilor Hayward moved and Councilor Duron seconded to forgo the Committee Reports Section of the meeting and immediately head into Executive Session. Motion carried 7-1, with Councilors Hayward, McCarthy, Roberts, Myers, Duron, Kelso, and Barron voting in favor, and Councilor Linton voting in opposition.

Recess for Executive Session

At 9:31pm Mayor Primmer announced that the City Council will meet in Executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2) (h) which allows the Council to meet in Executive Session to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the Council to consult regarding the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed. At the end of the executive session, the council will return to open session. The executive session will last approximately 15 minutes.

Reconvene & Adjourn

With no further business, Mayor Primmer reconvened and adjourned the regular City Council meeting at 9:46PM.



SIGNED:

Doug Primmer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lilly Alarcon-Strong, CMC, City Recorder

In 1966, my dad moved our family from Union County to Canal Road. Not long after, I rode the bus (Route 5) on Airport Road—an address that has been part of my life for decades. We later moved into town to S.E. Juniper. As a side note, Hermiston has both an E./S.E. Juniper and a W. Juniper across town with miles between them; I've often wondered whether mail ever gets mixed up.

My dad used to say he could see this area was going to grow. At the time, I thought he was crazy—but he was absolutely right. In 1971, he bought five acres on the corner of Airport Road and Highway 395. My dad, my brother, and I built our building on evenings and weekends and started a welding and machine shop. We built our business from nothing and created a life through hard work. I have never really worked anywhere else.

When we built the shop, there was very little development out there. Even down the road, the neighborhood looked much like it does today. It was a content and happy community.

In 1984, my dad lost 1.5 acres to the State Highway Division through eminent domain. Later, I lost additional land when Airport Road was widened, including a significant portion of ground from our corner. I also lost more land for an extended right-of-way. While those losses were difficult, I was glad to see the road improved for the community.

Changing the name of the road may not be eminent domain in the legal sense, but it feels similar in its impact. A road name change affects every resident and business through costs, paperwork, lost time, and ongoing confusion.

I went to grade school at Sunset. When the old school was finally torn down, I was upset to see the large trees cut down. I remember those trees in fourth grade—about six feet tall and tethered to posts so they would grow straight. I always felt that when the new Sunset school was built, some of them could have been preserved and incorporated into the parking lot. A similar situation happened earlier at the high school, and I was interviewed by the *East Oregonian* about it. This is simply to say: I care deeply about preserving the history and character of our town.

When I attended Armand Larvie Junior High in the early 1970s, I proudly wore maroon and gold (we were not originally purple and gold). Back then the schools didn't have much money, so we often wore purple hand-me-downs from the high school. Years later, a new influx of people tried to change the junior high's name because they didn't know who Armand Larvie was. Truthfully, I didn't know either—but I believed he must have been a great man to have a school named after him. His family even came from Wisconsin to speak to the school board, and the name stayed. Unfortunately, the school colors were changed. To me, changes like these can feel like an unnecessary loss of history.

I also studied in the Carnegie Library in junior high and high school. Hermiston was the smallest town in the United States where Carnegie built a library. I've heard various ideas for what should be done with that building, and I strongly support keeping it tied to our history—something historic that honors what it has meant to the community.

Later, I raised my sons here, and they attended the same schools I did. They played sports and were both strong baseball players. I coached Little League and Babe Ruth for 14 years—sometimes coaching two teams in a season—and I continued coaching even before and after my sons' playing years. I was one of the main people, along with Kent Gutierrez, Dave Dickmeier, and many others, who helped build the ball fields on Diagonal Road. I also sponsored teams (sometimes two in a year) and paid for signs at the Little League, Babe Ruth, and American Legion fields. I didn't do that for advertising; I did it because I believe in our community.

The City of Hermiston is also one of my customers. Three years ago, I was in a serious car wreck. I dislocated my shoulder, broke three ribs, punctured a lung, and suffered a concussion. I dealt with severe vertigo and dizziness whenever I bent down and stood back up. Even so, I returned to my shop after six days. I couldn't do full work, but I answered the phone and kept things moving as best I could.

During that time, the City's sewer department urgently needed couplers bored out with keyways for sewer pump drives. Anyone who runs a lathe or mill knows it is extremely difficult—almost impossible—to do that work with one hand. I rigged a cheater bar to tighten the lathe chuck and managed to get the job done because the City needed me. City employees Bill, Kent, and Robbie can speak to that. The City also had an ongoing problem with breaking the ends off pump impeller shafts. I was the one who lobbied for installing VFDs on the pumps to allow a slow start-up. I repaired many shafts before that change, often as emergencies, and I was always there when needed. The VFDs seemed to solve the problem.

I am not asking for much. I have given to this community and supported the City in practical ways for decades. I have five common-sense suggestions that I will share with the City Council on Monday. Changing the name of the road will cost all of us significant time and money, and it will create months—if not years—of headaches for the 35 residents and businesses affected. It has been Airport Road for 67 years. Please do not change our address, and please leave E. Airport Road alone.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary Cup". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "G" and "C".

Airport Way and Airport Road Change suggestions

Here are a few suggestions that would help any confusion.

#1 Promote or encourage all residents and businesses to make sure their addresses are marked clearly on their mailboxes, house, or business. I have recently updated my two mailboxes and numbered my building and house. This is inexpensive, common sense, and would definitely help.

#2 Talk to the Managers of UPS, FEDEX, Amazon and make them do their job. I hardly ever have a problem. If I have something that I have ordered that is very very important to me or my business, I make sure that I check the signature required box with these delivery companies or have the company that I am buying the product from, have a signature required upon delivery. This would not cost a dime.

#3 Improve and slightly alter the two road signs. The sign going to the airport is 50 ft. from the road. Move it closer to the Hwy. I think that the word MUNICIPAL should be slightly spaced above AIRPORT WAY. This would take away doubt on what is at the end of that road. The sign on Airport Rd. could be improved also. Airport Rd. is at a 60 degree angle to the Hwy. As Airport Rd. approaches the Hwy it makes a 60 degree turn to the left and approaches the Hwy. perpendicular or at 90 degrees to the Hwy. Unfortunately though, the sign is set at a 45 degree angle to the Hwy. and not 90 degrees. This makes the sign easy to read going north but difficult to read going south. The sign needs to be rotated counterclockwise 45 degrees. I also like Mayor Primmers idea of having a NOT AIRPORT ACCESS in possibly Yellow above or below the road sign. The sign itself has a tiny e for East and tiny rd for Road. The only word that obviously stands out is the bold word AIRPORT. Could EAST AIRPORT be on a top sign with ROAD on an also green sign below it? This would help and would be inexpensive.

#4 Al at EOTEC would like his own road. The city could name the road from Airport Rd. to the event center' EOTEC Street or Drive. The road would be incorporated into Google Maps and folks that are new to the area would let their cars take them right to the event center. The City then would of course have to pay for the event center's address change.

#5 The last suggestion is the Airport needs a large free standing sign. The Hermiston Airport sign is very hard to see. Right now it is diffused in the Welcome to Hermiston sign. It is low to the ground. We need a large sign reading HERMISTON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT. This would cost the City some money, but it is a win for everyone including all the traffic going by.

Approximately one month ago, I submitted a petition along with information outlining what I—as a local business owner—would be required to do in order to complete an address change. Council members and the Mayor should still have that material on file.

For clarity, I am providing a brief checklist of the types of steps an individual (or any member of this Council) would typically have to navigate to complete an address change. My intent is to show the practical impacts and administrative burden involved, so the Council can consider these realities as you review this matter.

Gary Culp
Jicki Culp

ADDRESS CHANGE CHECKLIST – PERSONAL

Government & Legal

- Driver's License
- REAL ID
- Vehicle Registration
- Voter Registration
- IRS (Federal tax records)
- State Department of Revenue
- County Assessor / Property Tax
- Passport (if needed for residency documentation)

Financial Accounts

- Bank Accounts (checking & savings)
- Credit Cards
- Investment / Brokerage Accounts
- Retirement Accounts (IRA, 401k)
- Mortgage / Loan Accounts

Insurance

- Auto Insurance
- Homeowners Insurance
- Umbrella Policy
- Health Insurance
- Life Insurance

Utilities & Services

- Power
- Natural Gas
- Water / Sewer
- Garbage
- Internet
- Phone (cell & landline)
- USPS Change of Address
- Mailbox / PO Box

Other Important Updates

- Online Shopping Accounts (Amazon, etc.)
- Subscription Services
- Medical Providers

- ■ Pharmacy
- ■ Dentist
- ■ CPA / Tax Preparer
- ■ Emergency Contacts
- ■ School Records (if applicable)



REGIONAL HEALTH, WELLNESS, AND AQUATIC CENTER – TASK FORCE UPDATE

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REGIONAL HAWC TASK FORCE STAKEHOLDERS

Task Force Stakeholders City Manager's Committee

- City of Hermiston
- Umatilla County
- City of Umatilla
- City of Stanfield
- City of Echo
- Port of Umatilla
- Hermiston School District
- Blue Mountain Community College
- Good Shepherd Health Care System
- Umatilla Electric Co-op

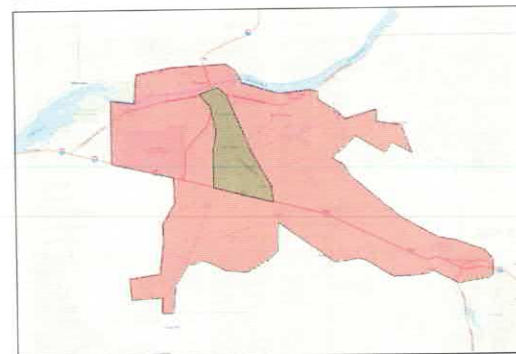
Support Team



REGIONAL HWAC TASK FORCE

- Met 5 times between September 2024 and April 2025
- Charge:
 - Review the existing Hermiston aquatic center facility needs/condition identified in a recent facility assessment;
 - Study types of facilities, including options for program offerings;
 - Study various site locations for a facility;
 - Study operational funding models;
 - Consider options for operational funding partnerships;
 - Consider options for capital funding;
 - Review cost estimates for capital construction;
 - Consider community feedback in creating the recommendation; and
 - Recommend to the City Manager the preferred operational approach and capital construction options for a facility.

PRIORITY FOR REGIONAL FOCUS



- Green Boundary – Primary Service Area (Cities of Hermiston, Stanfield, & Umatilla)
- Red Boundary – Secondary Service Area (modified 30-min drive)

EXISTING FACILITY – BUBBLE DOME OPTION

Cost range: \$11-15 million

Includes:

- Bubble dome
- Refurbishment of existing outdoor pool's vessels, finishes, mechanical systems
- Refurbishment of pool deck sloping to accommodate bubble dome
- Renovate, weatherproof, and insulate existing bathhouses and offices to be able to be used for all seasons

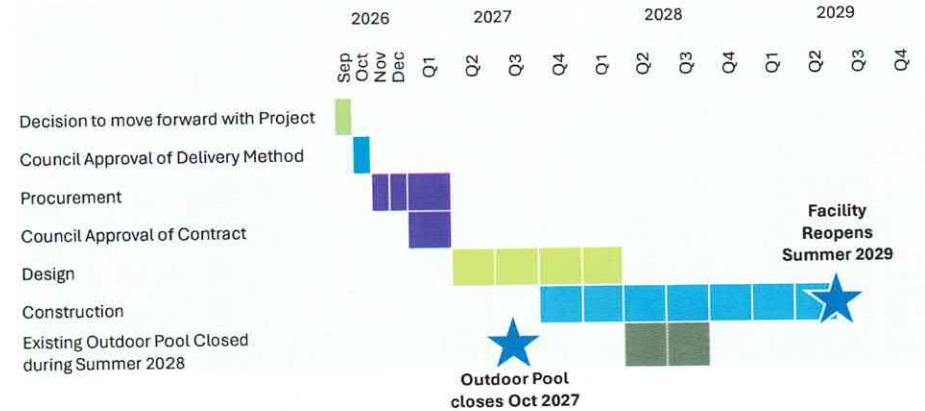


Pasco Memorial Pool – Photo courtesy Pasco Parks & Recreation Department

Other considerations:

- Operational cost to take down bubble in early summer, install in fall
- Increase in monthly heating bill for the facility with bubble in place. Pasco is estimating approx. \$17K-\$20K/month

PRELIMINARY PROJECT SCHEDULE EXISTING SITE WITH EXPANSION



PRELIMINARY MEMBERSHIP COSTS

Resident Rates	Daily	Monthly Membership	Annual Membership
Youth/Student	\$6	\$34	\$408
Adult	\$9	\$50	\$600
Household		\$84	\$1,008
Senior	\$6	\$34	\$408
Senior + 1		\$51	\$612

PRELIMINARY EXPENSES AND REVENUE

	1 Facility	2 Facilities	1 Facility
	New Indoor Facility (Site 3 or Site 6), CLOSE existing outdoor pool	New Indoor Facility (Site 3 or Site 6), AND KEEP existing outdoor pool	Existing Site with Expansion (Site 8)
Expense	\$2,671,975	\$2,635,714	\$2,339,817
Revenue	\$2,382,411	\$2,092,707	\$1,982,061
	(\$289,564)	(\$543,007)	(\$357,755)
Cost Recovery	89.2%	79.4%	84.7%
Capital Replacement	\$67,000	\$67,000	\$56,271

NEXT STEPS: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Summer Road Show:

- Process to date
- Overview of option for Existing Site with Expansion
- Financing
- Preliminary Membership Cost



Report back to Council in September 2026



QUESTIONS?

