

UNION GAP CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
UNION GAP COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Union Gap, Washington
May 12, 2014
MINUTES

Call to Order

Mayor Wentz called the Regular Meeting of the Union Gap City Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

Council Members Present

Mayor Wentz, Council Members Lenz, Carney, Olson, Butler, Matson and Murr were present.

Staff Present

City Manager Otterness, Public Works/Community Development Director Henne, Acting Public Safety Director Cobb, Deputy Director of Public Works/Community Development Spurlock, Finance and Administration Director Clifton, AP/PR Technician Bisconer, and City Attorney Noe were present.

Audience Present

See list.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Lenz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Council Member Murr second by Council Member Lenz to approve the consent agenda as follows:

Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated April 28th, 2014 as attached to the Agenda and maintained in electronic format.

Approve EFT's and Payroll Voucher Nos. 41172 through 41192 and 87747 through 87760 in the amount of \$424,473.43 dated April 30, 2014.

Approve EFT's and Claim Voucher Nos. 87761 through 87859 in the amount of \$229,012.87 dated May 12, 2014.

Adopt Resolution No. – 14-26 - Authorizing the Yakima County Comprehensive Emergency Management Program.

Adopt Ordinance No. – 2859 - Amending the 2014 Budget – Prehospital Grant.

Adopt Resolution No. – 14-27 – Authorizing MailFinance, Inc. Postage Machine Lease Agreement.

Items from the Audience

There were none.

General Items

Public Works/Community Development

Discussion – Gary Martin;
Lease/Purchase of 1205
Ahtanum Ridge Drive

Public Works/Community Development Director Henne introduced Gary Martin who gave a presentation opening the discussion for the possibility of a lease/purchase for property to house the city hall and police department.

Resolution No. 14-28 –
Yakima County Interlocal
Agency Agreement for Right
of Way Acquisition services

Public Works/Community Development Director Henne requested the council approve entering into an Interlocal Agency Agreement for Right of Way Acquisition Services with Yakima County. Motion by Council Member Murr second by Council Member Butler to adopt Resolution 14-28. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance Prohibiting
Production, Processing, and
Retail Sale of Marijuana.

Motion by Council Member Olson second by Council Member Lenz to adopt Ordinance Prohibiting Production, Processing, and Retail Sale of Marijuana. Adam Markus and Rueben Bross spoke in opposition to adoption of the ordinance. Ken Marble spoke in favor of adoption of the ordinance. Voting on the motion – ayes: Carney, Lenz, Olson - nays: Butler, Matson, Murr, Wentz, motion failed.

Finance & Administration

Ordinance No. 2860 – 2014
Budget Amendment –
Manager’s Salary Increase

Motion by Council Member Matson second by Council Member Lenz to adopt Ordinance No. 2860 – 2014 Amending the 2014 Budget for the City Managers Salary Increase. Voting on the motion – ayes: Butler, Lenz, Matson, Murr, Wentz - nays: Carney, Olson, motion carried.

Items from the Audience

There were none.

City Manager Report

City Manager Otterness reported on a successful emergency response exercise dealing with a simulated ammonia leak at the Columbia Valley Fruit company. He also updated the council on the RFP process for the Tourism Promoter/Coordinator position and on the transition of transit providers.

Communications

There were none.

**Development of Next
Agenda**

None.

Recess to Executive Session
Litigation Pursuant to
RCW 42.30.110 (i) and
Property Acquisition
Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110
(b)

At 7:07 Mayor Roger Wentz recessed to executive session for 15 minutes to discuss property acquisition pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (b) and litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (i). Mayor Wentz, Council Members, City Manager Otterness, Public Works/Community Development Deputy Director Spurlock, Public Works/Community Development Director Henne and City Attorney Noe attended.

Re-convened at 7:22 p.m.

Declined purchase/lease of
property at 1205 Ahtanum

Motion by Council Member Carney second by Council Member Olson to decline to authorize negotiations for lease/purchase of property at 1205

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Ridge Drive

Ahtanum Ridge Drive. Motion carried unanimously.

Authorized release of lien

Motion by Council Member Murr second by Council Member Carney to authorize the release of the city's lien to allow short sale of residential property. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment of Meeting

At 7:22 p.m. Mayor Wentz adjourned the May 12, 2014 regular Council Meeting.

Rodney Otterness, City Manager

ATTEST

Karen Clifton, City Clerk