

UNION GAP CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
UNION GAP COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Union Gap, Washington
April 13, 2015
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 Council Members Lenz, Carney, Olson, Butler, Matson, and Murr were present.

Staff Present City Attorney Brown, City Manager Otterness, Public Works/Community Development Director Henne, Deputy Public Works/Community Development Deputy Director Spurlock, Finance & Administration Director Clifton, Acting Public Safety Director Cobb, Fire Chief Stewart, and PR/AP Technician Bisconer were present.

Audience Present See list.

Pledge of Allegiance Mayor Wentz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda Motion by Council Member Butler, second by Council Member Murr to approve the consent agenda as follows:

Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated March 23, 2015 as attached to the agenda and maintained in electronic format.

Approve EFT's and Payroll Voucher Nos. 41358 through 41371 and 89858 through 89869 in the amount of \$327,298.38 dated March 31, 2015.

Approve EFT's and Claim Voucher Nos. 89857 and 89870 through 89988 in the amount of \$544,930.94 dated April 13, 2015.

Voting on the motion Ayes – Lenz, Butler, Murr, Olson, Matson, and Wentz; Nays – Carney. Motion carried.

Items from the Audience Paragon Films Plant Manager Alex Jech addressed the council. He stated that the company has prospered and expanded since coming to Union Gap three years ago. He expressed his appreciation for city by presenting a \$1,000 donation to be used towards the Skatepark and a second \$1,000 donation to be used for the Old Town Days celebration. He invited other businesses within the city to support these city activities as well.

General Items

Presentation – Yakima Valley Tourism Yakima Valley Tourism President and CEO John Cooper addressed the council. He presented the Yakima Valley Tourism 2014 Annual Report and the 2015 Travel Guide highlighting points of interest in Union Gap.

LTAC Appointment Motion by Council Member Carney, second by Council Member Murr to adopt Resolution No. 15-18 appointing Robin Zerr to the LTAC Committee.

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Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works/Community Development

Civic Campus/Main Street Revitalization Open House

Sheri Brockway of BOR Architecture presented a list of citizen comments during the event and commented that it was a great turn-out.

Resolution No. 15-19 – Yakima County SIED Program Application

Motion by Council Member Carney, second by Council Member Olson to adopt Resolution No. 15-19 authorizing staff to submit Yakima County SIED Program application providing for public utilities and street improvements to the annexation area west of 16th Avenue. Voting on the motion Ayes – Lenz, Carney, Olson, Murr, and Wentz; Nays – Butler and Matson. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 15-20 – HLA Task Order 2015-2 – West Ahtanum Road Annexation-Water Main Extension

Motion by Council Member Carney, second by Council Member Murr to adopt Resolution No. 15-20 authorizing the City Manager to sign Task Order 2015-2 with Huibregtse, Louman Associates, Inc. relating to the West Ahtanum Road Annexation-Water Main Extension. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 15-21 – TIB Consultant Agreement FY 2015 Arterial Preservation Project, W. Ahtanum Road Resurfacing

Motion by Council Member Murr, second by Council Member Olson to adopt Resolution No. 15-21 authorizing the City Manager to sign TIB Consultant Agreement with Huibregtse, Louman Associates, Inc. for the FY 2015 Arterial Preservation Project, W. Ahtanum road Resurfacing. Motion carried unanimously.

City Manager

Resolution No. 15-22 – Police Chief Contract

Motion by Council Member Murr, second by Council Member Lenz to approve Resolution No. 15-22 authorizing execution of employment agreement between the City of Union Gap and Gregory Cobb for the position of Police Chief. Voting on the motion Ayes – Lenz, Butler, Murr, and Wentz; Nays – Carney, Olson, and Matson. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 2874 – Setting the Police Chief's Salary

Motion by Council Member Murr, Second by Council Member Lenz to approve Ordinance No. 2874 setting the salary for the Police Chief. Voting on the motion Ayes – Lenz, Butler, Matson, Murr, and Wentz; Nays – Carney and Olson. Motion carried.

Items from the Audience

None.

City Manager Report

City Manager Otterness stated that he would like the council to consider a possible concessionaire contract for managing the Barn and Activities Buildings. He stated his concern that the city is not in the Hospitality business and a private concessionaire might do a better job than the city. Park Board member Ron Simmons commented on the limited availability of staff to show the buildings as needed. He recommended better use of the City's website for advertising park facilities.

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<u>Communications/Questions /Comments</u>	Council Member Carney inquired how much revenue has been received from marijuana sales. Finance & Administration Director Clifton stated \$1,524 was received in January but this number included non-marijuana related sales for one of the marijuana retailers.
<u>Development of next agenda</u>	None.
<u>Other Business</u>	None.
<u>Adjournment of Meeting</u>	At 6:53 p.m. Mayor Wentz adjourned the April 13, 2015 regular Council Meeting.

Rodney Otterness, City Manager

ATTEST

Karen Clifton, City Clerk