

UNION GAP CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
UNION GAP COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Union Gap, Washington
Aug 10, 2015 Regular Meeting
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 Director Spurlock, Finance and Administration Director Clifton, PR/AP Technician Bisconer, and Police Chief Cobb 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 July 27, 2015 as attached to the agenda and maintained in electronic format.

Approve EFT's and Payroll Voucher Nos. 41415 through 41431 and 90646 through 90656 in the amount of \$342,616.58 dated July 30, 2015.

Approve EFT's and Claim Voucher Nos. 90657 through 90731 in the amount of \$811,654.72 dated August 10, 2015.

Resolution No. 15-46 – Public Defence Contract.

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

Items from the Audience A citizen inquired about how much longer the Main Street construction will last and another inquired about sewer service availability near Galaspey Lane. Mayor Wentz directed Public Works/Community Development Director Henne to respond to both questions later in the meeting.

General Items

Public Hearing – Annexation of Borton Fruit & Neighbouring Property Mayor Wentz opened the Public Hearing at 6:06 p.m. to discuss the proposed West 16th Avenue Annexation. Deputy Public Works/Community Development Director Spurlock gave an overview of the proposal. Those present stated their concerns regarding placement of utilities, costs to connect, and receipt of the most current information about development in the area. Public Works/Community Development Director Henne and

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Deputy Public Works/Community Development Director Spurlock responded to the concerns. No public correspondence was received and the Public Hearing was closed at 7:23 p.m.

Public Works/Community Development

Ordinance No. 2878 –
Annexation of Borton Fruit
& Neighbouring Property

Motion by Council Member Matson, second by Council Member Olson to adopt Ordinance No. 2878 regarding the Borton & Sons, Inc. Petition for Annexation and annexing certain real property to the City under the provisions of RCW 35A.14.00. Voting on the motion Ayes – Lenz, Carney, Olson, Butler, Matson, and Murr; Nays – Wentz. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 15-47 –
Matching Fund Commitment
– Ahtanum Road Project

Motion by Council Member Olson, second by Council Member Carney to Adopt Resolution No. 15-47 confirming STP Regional funding match commitment for the Ahtanum Road project. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 15-48 –
Matching Fund Commitment
– South 14th Street
Improvements Project

Motion by Council Member Olson, second by Council Member Carney to adopt Resolution No. 15-48 confirming TIB funding match commitment for the South 14th Street Improvements project. Motion carried unanimously.

City Manager

Yakima Valley Libraries

Motion by Council Member Olson, second by Council Member Carney to invite the Yakima Valley Libraries in partnership with the City to develop a proposal for the return of a library to Union Gap as part of the City Center Project. Motion carried unanimously.

Items from the Audience

Public Works/Community Development Director Henne addressed the earlier question in regards to construction on Main Street and future road preservation.

City Manager Report

City Manager Otterness thanked James Smith for moving the rosebushes from city hall to Pioneer Graveyard. He stated that the auditors are presently auditing the city's 2014 Financial Statement and WCIA is conducting its annual insurance review both of which are taking up a lot of staff time. He congratulated the residents of the newly annexed area on becoming residents of the greatest city in Yakima County and perhaps the entire state.

Communications/Questions/Comments

A letter from LTAC regarding access to Fullbright Park was received and moved to the next Committee meeting for discussion.

Development of next agenda

None.

Other Business

None.

Recess to Executive Session

At 7:50 Mayor Wentz recessed to an Executive Session for 20 minutes to

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discuss Litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(i). Mayor Wentz, Council Members, City Manager Otterness, Finance and Administration Director Clifton, City Attorney Brown, and Attorney Quinn Plant attended.

Adjournment of Meeting

At 8:10 p.m. Mayor Wentz adjourned the August 10, 2015 Regular Council Meeting.

Rodney Otterness, City Manager

ATTEST:

Karen Clifton, City Clerk