

UNION GAP CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
UNION GAP COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Union Gap, Washington
February 14, 2022, Regular Meeting
MINUTES

<u>Call to Order</u>	Mayor Hodkinson called the Regular Meeting of the Union Gap City Council to order at 6:00 p.m.
<u>Council Members Present</u>	Council Members Murr, Wentz, Galloway, Hansen, Schilling and Dailey were present.
<u>Staff Present</u>	Acting City Manager Cobb, City Attorney Brown, Fire Chief Markham, Public Works and Community Development Director Henne, Civil Engineer Dominguez, Finance and Administration Director Clifton, and Deputy Clerk Treasurer Bisconer were present.
<u>Audience Present</u>	See attached list.
<u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>	Council Member Galloway led the pledge of allegiance.
<u>Consent Agenda</u>	<p>Motion by Council Member Wentz, second by Council Member Murr to approve the consent agenda as follows:</p> <p>Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated January 24, 2022 as attached to the Agenda and maintained in electronic format.</p> <p>Payroll Vouchers – EFT’s and Voucher Nos. 104114 through 104120 for January 2022, in the amount of \$460,524.02.</p> <p>Claims Vouchers – EFT’s and Voucher No. 104113 and Voucher Nos. 104121 through 104216 for February 14, 2022, in the amount of \$388,069.95.</p> <p>USDA Loan – EFT for February 14, 2022, in the amount of \$114,307.00.</p> <p>Motion carried unanimously.</p>
<u>Items from the Audience</u>	None.
<u>General Items</u>	
<u>Public Safety</u>	

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Ordinance No. – 3020 –
Police Department
Recruitment

Motion by Council Member Murr, second by Council Member Wentz to adopt Ordinance No. – 3020 – creating additional benefits for lateral police officer new hires for the benefit of recruiting qualified experienced police officers. Council Member Schilling questioned why the amounts to be paid wasn't in the Ordinance. Police Chief Cobb replied that it wasn't in the current Ordinance either, that it was a policy decision that the City Manager makes and how that's going to be distributed. Schilling thinks it should be in there. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. – 22-08 –
Yakima Valley Office of
Emergency Management
Agreement

Motion by Council Member Wentz, second by Council Member Murr to approve Resolution No. – 22-08 – authorizing the Acting City Manager to sign an Agreement with Yakima Valley Office of Emergency Management for emergency management services. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works & Community
Development

Resolution No. – 22-09 –
Agreement for Services –
CWA Consultants

Motion by Council Member Wentz, second by Council Member Galloway to adopt Resolution No. – 22-09 authorizing the City Manager to sign an agreement with CWA Consultants of Port Orchard, WA. for the 2022 calendar year. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. – 22-10 –
HLA Task Order 2022-01 –
Longfibre Road Resurfacing

Motion by Council Member Wentz, second by Council Member Murr to approve Resolution No. – 22-10 – authorizing the City Manager to sign Task Order No. 2022-01 with HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc. as it relates to professional services for the Longfibre Road Resurfacing project. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. – 22-11 –
HLA Task Order 2022-02
Regional Beltway Area
Utilities Extension Project

Motion by Council Member Wentz, second by Council Member Galloway to approve Resolution No. – 22-11 – authorizing the City Manager to sign Task Order No. 2022-02 with HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc. as it relates to services the Regional Beltway Area Utilities Extension project.

Voting on the motion – Ayes – Murr, Wentz, Galloway, Dailey and Hodkinson. Nays – Schilling and Hansen. Motion passes.

Resolution No. – 22-12 –
Amendment to Hearing
Examiner Professional
Services Contract

Motion by Council Member Schilling, second by Council Member Wentz to adopt Resolution No. – 22-12 – authorizing the City Manager to sign an amendment to the Professional Services Contract for Hearing Examiner with Gary Cullier. Motion carried unanimously.

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Items from the Audience

Benine McDonnell from Yakima raised to request the Censorship of Deputy Mayor Roger Wentz be discussed at a future Regular City Council Meeting. McDonnell stated that Deputy Mayor Wentz showed repugnant disregard and disrespect for the Union Gap City Council Code of Conduct. Mayor Hodkinson replied that it's been at this desk twice before, He's asked if any of the Council had any comments or questions, out of seven Council Members no one has spoken either time. So were not going to bring it to the body. This is only one incident and any time that sanctions are usually on ongoing problem, this has not. So I think we're done. Council Member Schilling asked if anyone has read it. Mayor Hodkinson asked if anyone has not read it. With no response, Mayor Hodkinson said there's your answer.

City Manager Report

Acting City Manager Cobb stated that he and the Mayor had met with several folks of the 501c3 friends of Union Gap Library and community center early last week. That discussion went through the rolls and responsibilities, and it was a good time to let the 501c3 which has no legal affiliation of the city, go off and do what the rolls and responsibility's said they would do, which is the original committee would become a 501c3 and go forth and raise money on behalf of their non-profit. One of the concerns was how the 501c3 would become aware of changes to the program and the scope and what was going on with the Library and Community Center. Cobb responded, through any of the four open to the Public Meetings, that staff has with the City Council when we advise the Council with any number of issues. Council Member Schilling stated that she understood they could go to Acting City Manager Cobb. Cobb stated just like any other citizen who has access to staff, we would be more than happy to answer questions that they have.

Communications/Questions/
Comments

None.

Development of next Agenda

None.

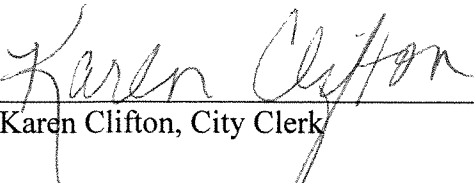
Adjournment of Meeting

At 6:18 p.m., Mayor Hodkinson adjourned the February 14, 2022 regular Council Meeting.



Arlene Fisher, City Manager

ATTEST:



Karen Clifton, City Clerk

02/14/2022 Council Meeting Zoom Attendees

Attendees

Maralyn Killorn

Lynette Bisconer

DaggerCrabber

Annisa Ward

Jack Goureon

Georgia Reitmire