

UNION GAP CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
UNION GAP COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Union Gap, Washington
July 26, 2021, 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>	City Manager Fisher, Police Chief Cobb, Public Works and Community Development Director Henne, Civil Engineer Dominguez, Finance and Administration Director Clifton, City Attorney Brown, and Fire Chief Markham were present.
<u>Audience Present</u>	See attached list.
<u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>	Mayor Hodkinson led the pledge of allegiance.
<u>Consent Agenda</u>	<p>Motion by Council Member Murr, second by Council Member Wentz to approve the consent agenda as follows:</p> <p>Regular Council Meeting Minutes, dated July 12, 2021 as attached to the Agenda and maintained in electronic format.</p> <p>Claims Vouchers – EFT’s, and Voucher Nos. 103150 through 103218 for July 26, 2021, in the amount of \$288,373.00</p> <p>Motion carried unanimously.</p>
<u>Items from the Audience</u>	None.
<u>General Items</u>	
<u>Public Works & Community Development</u>	
Ordinance No. – 3009 – Amending Union gap Municipal Code Title 13 Fire Code	Motion by Council Member Wentz, second by Council Member Schilling to adopt Ordinance No. – 3009 – amending the Union Gap Municipal Code Title 13 Fire Code by amending section 13.04.010 “Adoption”; 13.04.015 “Adoption of appendices”; 13.08.010 “Amendment to Section 109 – Board of Appeals”; 13.08.040 “Amendments to Section 508.5.1 – Fire Hydrant Systems”; 13.08.050 “Amendments to Section 903.1.2 – Fire Control Room”; 13.08.060 “Amendments to Section 912.2.1 – Remote Fire Department Connection”; and Chapter 13.18 “Fee

Schedule”. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance No. – 3010 –
Amending Union Gap
Municipal Code Title 14
Buildings

Motion by Council Member Wentz, second by Council Member Schilling to adopt Ordinance No. – 3010 – amending Union Gap Municipal Code Title 14 Buildings and Construction by amending 14.04 “Adoption of Referenced Codes”; 14.05 “Amendments to Adopted Codes”. Motion carried unanimously.

Items from the audience

None.

City Manager Report

City Manager Fisher thanked Council Member Schilling for providing information from Chris Cargill with the Washington Policy Center, and asked to have discussion on a ban for local income tax. The City of Granger had passed theirs in form of a Resolution, which is what we would need to do. Council Member Schilling stated that because we are so close to The City of Yakima, we should follow it together. Council Member Wentz stated that he didn’t think it was needed at this time. Council Member Schilling stated the Chris Cargill will be visiting with The City of Yakima as well as the City of Union Gap next week. Mayor Hodgkinson stated that he talked to the County about it and appears they will follow suit. Every time it’s been voted on, it has been invalidated, but it doesn’t hurt to cover our tails and let the citizens know that we are not in favour of it. City Manager Fisher stated that she would put together a draft agenda for the workshop next week, and send an email to Mr. Cargill to continue the conversation with him.

City Manager Fisher stated that due to a recent change in legislation, Long Term Care Insurance will soon be mandated, so YCDA talked to us about using City Hall Chambers this Friday from 7:30 a.m. To 8:30 a.m., to host a training for local businesses. We more than willingly opened up our doors, and people might notice several people coming in and out. As a city, we were mandated the same, and have been working with AWC to see if we can get our own carrier for our employees. Fisher explained that the states program is calculated on employee wages and is not portable if moving out of the state.

Communications/Questions/
Comments

Council Member Schilling asked Police Chief Cobb if since the law changed at Sunday at noon, has there been any changes on the street. Chief Cobb replied that they did have a couple of calls that they had to change their tactics to be in accordance with the law. Schilling asked if people were happy or unhappy. Cobb replied that there weren’t any major incidents, but it’s to be determined at this point. There were calls that they didn’t go on that they normally would have, and log of those calls is being kept. Council Member Wentz asked if information on the log will be communicated with others, or added to a database. Chief Cobb replied that they are working with Suncom in order to create a

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disposition code to those calls so that it's searchable later. There was then further discussion about possible incidents that could occur due to the new legislation and Cobb explained that things will continue to be worked out for quite some time.

Development of Next
Agenda

None.

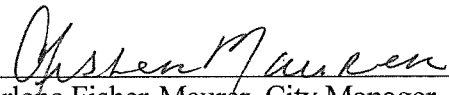
Adjournment of Meeting

Mayor Hodkinson adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

ATTEST:



Karen Clifton, City Clerk



Arlene Fisher-Maurer, City Manager