

UNION GAP CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
UNION GAP COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Union Gap, Washington
June 22, 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, Deputy Public Works/Community Development Director Spurlock, Finance and Administration Director Clifton, 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 Lenz, second by Council Member Murr to approve the consent agenda as follows:

Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated June 8, 2015 as attached to the agenda and maintained in electronic format.

Approve EFT's and Claim Voucher Nos. 90255 through 90300 in the amount of \$105,970.46 dated June 22, 2015.

Approve 2014 Water Main Improvements – HLA Change Order No. 1

Items from the Audience Darlene Newman expressed concerns about maintenance on the pathway along Wide Hollow near Goodman Road. Deputy Public Works/Community Development Director Spurlock responded that after being made aware of the concerns he scheduled staff to review the issue and develop a maintenance plan for the trail. Darlene Newman also expressed interest in serving on a committee committed to bring back library services to the community.

Public Hearing

General Items

Public Works/Community Development

Resolution 15-37 – WA State Recreational and Conservation Office – Youth Athletic Facilities Program

Deputy Public Works/Community Development Director Spurlock requested approval for staff to submit an application for up to \$150,000.00 in grant assistance for soccer field, entrance, parking, and other improvements at the Ahtanum Youth Activities Park. Motion by Council Member Murr, second by Council Member Lenz to adopt Resolution No. 15-37 authorizing application for grant funding assistance for Youth Athletic Facilities to the Recreation and Conservation Office. Voting on the motion Ayes – Lenz, Olson, Butler, Matson, Murr, and Wentz; Nays – Carney. Motion carried.

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Resolution 15-38 – SIED Loan/Grant – Annexation Utility Extension Project

Motion by Council Member Olson, second by Council Member Matson to adopt Resolution No. 15-38 authorizing the City Manager to sign contract #YC-BF-15 with Yakima County regarding a Yakima County Development Association SIED (Supporting Investments In Economic Development) grant and loan for Borton Fruit’s Expansion Project. Voting on the motion Ayes – Lenz, Carney, Olson, Butler, Murr, and Wentz; Nays – Matson. Motion carried.

Resolution 15-39 – Yakima Technology Services – Franchise and General Utility Easement

Deputy Public Works/Community Development Director Spurlock explained that an Inter-Local agreement with Yakima County Technology Services will allow increased computer capabilities by extending fibre connectivity to the City. Motion by Council Member Carney, second by Council Member Murr to adopt Resolution No. 15-39 authorizing the City Manager to sign an inter-local Agreement with Yakima County Technology Services (YCTS) for business related technology services. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 15-40 – City Attorney Contract

Motion by Council Member Matson, second by Council Member Murr to adopt Resolution No. 15-40 authorizing the City Manager to sign an agreement for professional services between the City of Union Gap and Bell, Brown & Rio PLLC for City Attorney Services. Voting on the motion Ayes – Lenz, Olson, Butler, Matson, Murr, and Wentz; Nays – Carney. Motion carried.

City Manager

Resolution No 15-41 – Venue Management Services

City Manager Otterness stated that there were ten applications received in regards to Venue Management Services and he recommended interviewing Yakima Youth Soccer Association and Vine Venue/Skateland Fun Center. Representatives of both candidates responded to questions from the Council. Motion by Council Member Lenz, second by Council Member Murr to adopt Resolution No. 15-41 authorizing the City Manager to negotiate a contract for Venue Management Services with Vine Venue/Skateland Fun Center. Motion carried unanimously.

Items from the Audience

John Hodgkinson requested that the gates at Loudon park located on 4th street be closed during the Summer Youth Program schedule to eliminate traffic while kids are present. Julie Schilling requested better communication to the public regarding planned road closures.

City Manager Report

City Manager Otterness thanked those involved in making the 2015 Old Town Days celebration successful.

Communications/Questions /Comments

Council Member Matson inquired about Council Member and City Staff visits during working hours. City Manager Otterness stated that is his duty to enforce the ordinance on City Council Code of Conduct to make sure staff are productive.

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Development of next agenda None.

Other Business None.

Adjournment of Meeting At 7:52 p.m. Mayor Wentz adjourned the June 22, 2015 Regular Council Meeting.

Rodney Otterness, City Manager

ATTEST

Karen Clifton, City Clerk