

UNION GAP CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
UNION GAP COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Union Gap, Washington
March 23, 2020, 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, and Schilling were present via the internet due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Council Member Dailey expected to join at 6:15 p.m.
<u>Staff Present</u>	City Manager Fisher, City Attorney Brown, Police Chief Cobb, Public Works and Community Development Director Henne, Civil Engineer Dominguez, Finance and Administration Director Clifton.
<u>Audience Present</u>	None.
<u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>	The pledge of allegiance was forgone.
<u>Consent Agenda</u>	<p>Motion by Council Member Wentz, second by Council Member Galloway to approve the consent agenda as follows:</p> <p>Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated March 9, 2020 as attached to the Agenda and maintained in electronic format.</p> <p>Payroll Vouchers – EFT’s and Voucher No. 100925 through 100932, for the Month of February, 2020, in the amount of \$348,832.98</p> <p>Claims Vouchers – EFT’s, and Voucher Nos. 100933 through 101002 for March 23, 2020, in the amount of \$242,959.24.</p> <p>Petty Cash Vouchers – Check Nos. 1913 through 1914 for March 23, 2020, in the amount of \$100.00</p> <p>Voting on the motion – Ayes – Murr, Wentz, Galloway, Hansen, and Hodkinson. Council Member Schilling abstained because the amount of the claims was not verbalized. Motion passes.</p>
<u>Items from the Audience</u>	None present.
<u>General Items</u>	
<u>City Manager</u>	

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Motion to Approve the
Emergency Proclamation for
COVID-19

Motion by Council Member Wentz, second by Council Member Murr to approve an Emergency Proclamation for COVID-19. Motion carried unanimously.

2020 Budget Discussion

City Manager Fisher stated that she had emailed notification to staff and Council Members a cease and desist spending order, with the exception of operational spending. Fisher explained that due to the recent stay at home order from Governor Inslee, the Sales Tax revenues that The City of Union Gap receives will be drastically decreased. Finance & Administration Director Clifton announced the balances of some of the reserve funds, the ending fund balance as of February 2020, and explained other possible revenue loss such as gambling and transportation taxes.

Fisher stated that water is not being turned off for delinquency at this time, that payment extensions are being granted, and commended the exceptional work being done by Union Gap Utility Clerk, Gloria Waltman.

City Attorney

Ordinance No. – 2987 –
Amending UGMC Chapter
3.76.015 - Foreclosures

City Attorney Brown gave an overview of a requested amendment pertaining to ULID Foreclosures.

Motion by Council Member Hansen, second by Council Member Galloway to adopt Ordinance No. – 2987 – amending Chapter 3.76.015 of the Union Gap Municipal Code (UGMC) relating to local improvement district assessments. Voting on the motion – Ayes – Murr, Wentz, Galloway, Hansen, and Hodkinson. Council Member Schilling abstained. Motion passes.

Items from the Audience

None present.

City Manager Report

City Manager Fisher stated that herself, Henne and Wentz have been in self quarantine due to possible exposure of COVID-19 and will return 3/26/2020; will keep Council posted as far as keeping city employees safe but in operation; will keep a close eye on the budget and still intends to pledge money to the Library and Community Center project; if there are any questions or communication please email her.

Communications/Questions/
Comments

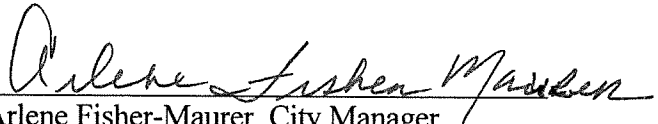
Council Member Schilling requested that Union Gap Restaurants that are offering take out or delivery be posted on the City website. Fisher stated that she would direct staff to complete the request. Mayor Hodkinson stated that he is aware of other sources posting online information about the availability of Union Gap Restaurants and that if

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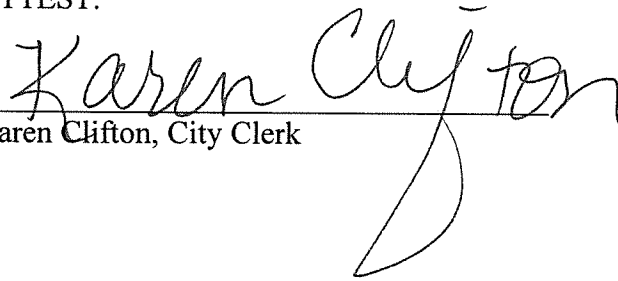
we all are patient, we will make it through this Pandemic together.

Development of Next Agenda None.

Adjournment of Meeting Mayor Hodkinson adjourned the meeting at 6:29 p.m.


Arlene Fisher-Maurer, City Manager

ATTEST:


Karen Clifton, City Clerk