

UNION GAP CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
UNION GAP COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Union Gap, Washington
March 25, 2024, 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 Sewell, Wentz, Galloway, Gonzalez, and Dailey were present.
<u>Staff Present</u>	City Manager Bounds, City Attorney Foltz, Police Chief Cobb, Fire Chief Markham, Public Works and Community Director Henne, Civil Engineer Dominguez, and Finance & Administration Director Clifton were present.
<u>Audience Present</u>	See attached list.
<u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>	Council Member Gonzalez led the pledge of allegiance.
<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 11, 2024, as attached to the Agenda and maintained in electronic format.</p> <p>Claims Vouchers – EFT’s, and Voucher No. 108117 through 108178 for March 25, 2024, in the amount of \$513,582.87</p> <p>Motion carried unanimously.</p>
<u>Excuse Council Member</u>	Motion by Council Member Wentz, second by Council Member Galloway to excuse Council Member Schilling. Motion carried unanimously
<u>General Items</u>	
<u>City Manager</u>	
Ordinance No. – 3095 – Amending section 2.04.030 – City council Salary	Motion by Council Member Wentz, second by Council Member Galloway to approve Ordinance No. – 3095 – amending Ordinance No. 2521 established Section 2.04.030 “City council salary” and Ordinance 2.809 amended said section, to provide an avenue for

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those who serve on city council not to be compensated if they request a waiver of all or part of the compensation provided in section 2.04.030(a) of the Union Gap Municipal Code. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance No. 3096 –
Establishing Chapter 3.156 –
Partnership with and
Acceptance of funds from
outside organizations

Motion by Council Member Wentz, second by Council Member Sewell to adopt Ordinance No. 3096 establishing Chapter 3.156 “Partnership with and acceptance of funds from outside organizations” of the Union Gap Municipal Code.. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance No. 3097 –
Establishing Chapter 3.158 -
DONATIONS

As City Manager Bounds was giving a brief overview of Ordinance No. – 3097 Council Member Schilling arrived at 6:06 p.m.

Motion by Council Member Wentz, second by Council Member Galloway to adopt Ordinance No. – 3097 – establishing Chapter 3.158 “Donations” of the Union Gap Municipal Code. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. – 24-25 –
Accepting a Donation

Motion by Council Member Wentz, second by Council Member Galloway to approve Resolution No. - 24-25 – accepting a donation from the Friends of the Union Gap Library & Community Center. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Crochet and Friends of the Library and Community Center, and their sponsors then presented a donation check to the City of Union Gap, in the amount of \$40,154.00 for the front pavers for the Library and Community Center.

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

Public Works & Community
Development

Resolution No. – 24-26 – Task
Order 2024-01; Ahtanum Road
Underdrain Evaluation and
Conceptual Design; HLA
Project No. 24064E

Public Works and Community Director Henne explained that the Public Works Department has been monitoring the underdrain located in Ahtanum Road from east of the railroad tracks to Pioneer Graveyard, and explained that it has come time to plan what needs to be done with the deteriorated metal pipe. After discussion, motion by Council Member Galloway, second by Council Member Wentz to approve Resolution No. – 24-26 – authorizing the City Manager to sign Task Order No. 2024-01 with HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc. as it relates to services to the Ahtanum Road Underdrain Evaluation and Conceptual Design; HLA Project

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No. 24064E. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. – 24-7 – Task Order 2024-02; Regional Beltway Area Sewer Connection Evaluation; HLA Project No. 24070E

Motion by Council Member Wentz, second by Council Member Sewell to approve Resolution No. – 24-7 – authorizing the City Manager to sign Task Order No. 2024-02 with HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc. as it relates to the Regional Beltway Area Sewer Connection Evaluation; HLA Project No. 24070E. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion – Wide Hollow Creek Pathway

Public Works and Community Development Director Henne opened discussion in regards to photos Council Member Schilling submitted. Council member Schilling explained the concerns presented to her by Union Gap citizens. Henne responded that the Public Works Department would start Spring clean-up in that area, including weed control and asphalt patching as needed. Schilling also asked about bringing picnic tables back to the path. Henne replied that he would check on the tables, and mentioned that this path will eventually connect to the Beltway Project pathway.

Committee Reports

Council Member Dailey gave an update on the Greenway meeting and the recent fire at the children’s play area.

Items from the Audience

Gary Lease addressed the Council in regards to costs of trash pick-up rates and the Fuel Surcharge. Public Works and Community Development director explained how Fuel Surcharge are analysed and assessed. Lease then inquired about the Utility Tax, to which City Manager Bounds responded. Lease then asked about opting out of the garbage service requirement. Henne responded with a typical process for those who leave the area for the winter, and stated that the requirement is by Ordinance.

City Manager Report

City Manager Bounds stated that they received an invitation from the Central Washington AG Museum, inviting City Council, staff and LTAC Committee members to the Museum on Saturday May 25th at 10:30 a.m. to show everyone around and extend thanks for the ongoing partnership with them. The event will be advertised in the event there could be a quorum; Bounds announced that Public Works and Community Development Director Henne would be retiring May 2024, and will be promoting Jason Cavanaugh to Henne’s position, and Finance & Administration Director Clifton will be retiring July 2024, and Bounds is hoping to have her replacement on board the first of June.

Communications/Questions/Comments

None.

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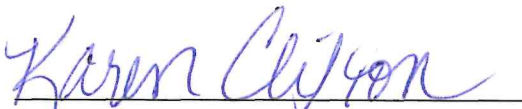
Development of next Agenda None.

Adjournment of Meeting Mayor Hodkinson adjourned the regular meeting at 6:18 p.m.



Sharon Bounds, City Manager

ATTEST:



Karen Clifton, City Clerk

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SIGN IN SHEET**

6:00 P.M. – March 25, 2024

NAME (Please Print)	(Date)	ADDRESS
Theresa Charvet	3-25-2024	4th St. W6
Maralyn Killoway	25	Pine
Gary Lease	25	W. Washburn
Helen Canaday	25	Ahtanuk
Mark Croucher	3-25-2024	1420 S. 37th Ave Yakima 98901
Theresa Sewell	3/25/24	201 W. Main St.
LODIA GALLOWAY	3-25-24	2711-5th St.
Grace Federspiel	3-25-24	2 South 28th Avenue
Benine McDonnell	''	Yakima