

**UNION GAP CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**  
**UNION GAP COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**Union Gap, Washington**  
**March 28, 2022, Regular Meeting**  
**MINUTES**

- Call to Order Mayor Hodkinson called the Regular Meeting of the Union Gap City Council to order at 6:00 p.m.
- Council Members Present Council Members Murr, Wentz, Galloway, Hansen, Schilling and Dailey were present.
- Staff Present Acting City Manager Cobb, City Attorney Brown, Fire Chief Markham, Public Works & Community Development Director Henne, Civil Engineer Dominguez, Finance and Administration Director Clifton, and Deputy Clerk Treasurer Bisconer were present.
- Audience Present See attached list.
- Pledge of Allegiance Council Member Schilling led the pledge of allegiance.
- Consent Agenda Motion by Council Member Murr, second by Council Member Dailey to approve the consent agenda as follows:
- Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated March 14th, 2022 as attached to the Agenda and maintained in electronic format.
- Claims Vouchers – EFT’s, and Voucher Nos. 104330 through 104398 for March 28, 2022, in the amount of \$697,103.31.
- Motion carried unanimously.
- Items from the Audience President and CEO, Yakima Valley Tourism, John Cooper presented the latest Yakima Valley Tourism guide and gave an update on upcoming events.
- Helen Canatsey addressed the Council to promote an upcoming fundraiser and T-Shirt sale for the Union Gap Library & Community Center being held March 30, 2022 from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Old Town Station.
- Meals on Wheels Program Manager, Lorena Fernandez addressed the Council to announce the re-opening of Dining Rooms May 1, 2022, and

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gave an update on services provided for the past year. Attendees are asked to contact Meals on Wheels at (509) 426-2601, the Friday prior to ensure enough meals will be available.

Benine McDonnell, member of the 501c3 board for the Union Gap Library and Community Center addressed the Council to show an example of the T-Shirts being sold to raise funds for the Library and Community Center. Costs will be between \$20.00 and \$22.00. Board Members will be on sight during the March 30<sup>th</sup> event to answer any questions. McDonnell stated that the 501c3 is applying for a Federal Grant and requested a letter of recommendation from the City to include with the Grant, and would like to have it by March 30, 2022. Mayor Hodkinson asked what grants they were applying for, so there is not duplication. Council Member Schilling stated that it is not a grant, but an appropriation. Acting City Manager Cobb asked to whom the application is being submitted. Schilling replied Patty Murray, and they are requesting \$700,000, with the deadline of March 31, 2022.

Steve Edwards, Joy Erb and Ronda Edwards each addressed the Council in regards to their concerns of a Regional Crime Center and it being operated by Yakima Valley Conference of Governments (YVCOG).

General Items

Public Works & Community Development

Resolution No. – 22-15 - Set Public Hearing; Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

Motion by Council Member Wentz, second by Council Member Murr to approve Resolution No. – 22-15 – setting a public hearing regarding the Community Development Block Grant program (CDBG) for Monday April 11, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Union Gap Grievance Procedure

Public Works and Community Development Director Henne explained that the grievance procedure needed to be updated to indicate submittal to the City Manager instead of the Mayor, and his name as contact. Council Member Schilling stated that she felt the time frame seemed to be too long, and it should read City Manager or designee. Henne explained that it is standard language from the CDBG handbook. Motion by Council Member Galloway, second by Council Member Murr to authorize City Manager to sign the updated City of Union Gap Grievance Procedure.

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

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Items from the Audience                    *None.*

City Manager Report                    Acting City Manager Cobb stated that City Manager Fisher has returned in a part time capacity; The stormwater project on Ahtanum Road is near completion, but the grind and overlay project will begin soon thereafter continuing construction on Ahtanum road for the next couple of months; a non-binding document that the Sheriff’s office presented to multiple Chiefs in the valley was signed by him today in support of potential funding for a local Regional Crime Center. Cobb explained the current process of submitting information to crime labs, and thought it would be much quicker if processed locally. We have partnered with other local agencies in the past for different types of services and Cobb believes that partnering with YVCOG, would ensure neutral case priority. He urged Council to support the program.

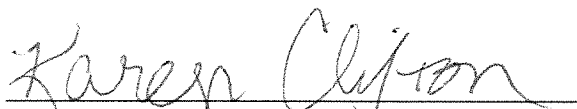
Communications/Questions/  
Comments                                    *None.*

Development of next Agenda        *None.*

Adjournment of Meeting                At 6:56 p.m., Mayor Hodkinson adjourned the March 28, 2022 regular Council Meeting.

  
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Arlene Fisher, City Manager

ATTEST:

  
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Karen Clifton, City Clerk

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**SIGN IN SHEET**

6:00 P.M. - March 28th, 2022

NAME (Please Print)	(Date)	ADDRESS
Helen Canatsy	3-28-2022	Ahtanum Rd.
Kellie Crabb	3-28-2022	Yakima
Ronda Edwards	3-28-2022	Moxee
Steve Edwards	3-28-2022	Moxee
Benne McDannell	3/28/2022	Yakima, WA
Joy Erb	3/28/22	Yakima county
Stephanie Mun	3/28/22	
Jan Shul	3/28/22	Yakima Wash
Loren Fernandez	3/28/22	Union Gap
JOHN COOPER	3/28/22	Yakima, WA

## **03/28/2022 Council Meeting Zoom Attendees**

### **Attendees**

Lynette Bisconer  
Georgia  
Maralyn Killorn  
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