

UNION GAP CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
UNION GAP COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Union Gap, Washington
May 22, 2017 Regular Meeting
MINUTES

<u>Call to Order</u>	Mayor Wentz called the Regular Meeting of the Union Gap City Council to order at 6:00 p.m.
<u>Council Members Present</u>	Council Members Lenz, Carney, Olson, Butler, Matson and Schilling were present.
<u>Staff Present</u>	City Manager Fisher, City Attorney Brown, Police Chief Cobb, Finance & Administration Director Clifton, Community Development Director Henne and Fire Chief Stewart were present.
<u>Audience Present</u>	See attached list.
<u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>	Mayor Wentz led the Pledge of Allegiance.
<u>Consent Agenda</u>	<p>Motion by Council Member Butler, second by Council Member Carney to approve the consent agenda as follows:</p> <p>Regular Council Meeting Minutes, dated May 8, 2017, as attached to the Agenda and maintained in electronic format.</p> <p>Payroll Vouchers – EFT’s and Voucher Nos. 41602 through 41606 and 94731 through 94745 for April, 2017, in the amount of \$371,018.91.</p> <p>Claims Vouchers – EFT’s and Voucher Nos. 94746 through 94811 for May 22, 2017, in the amount of \$561,802.37.</p> <p>Motion carried unanimously.</p>
<u>Items from the Audience</u>	<p>Kim Eisenzimmer from the Vine Venue and Bill Beerman from the Blossom Shop spoke regarding the small piece of land between the Blossom Shop and Old Town Road. They are concerned about the traffic that keeps using the piece of land as a thoroughfare because it is dangerous and could cause an accident with vehicles traveling on Old Town Road. Mr. Eisenzimmer asked if a “No Thoroughfare” sign could be placed there.</p> <p>Director Henne stated that staff would assess the situation and come up with some viable options.</p> <p>Naomi Reedy of 2015 S. 4th Avenue requested that a Proclamation for Missing and Unidentified Persons be approved. She explained that her brother Chad Stotz has been missing since 2015 and she feels this is a very important cause.</p>

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General Items

Motion by Council Member Lenz, second by Council Member Carney to add this proclamation to the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Proclamation

Proclaiming the Month of May as Missing and Unidentified Persons Month

Mayor Wentz Proclaimed May as *Missing and Unidentified Persons* month as requested by Union Gap resident Naomi Reedy.

Presentations

Presentation of Gift Certificates for the Library Survey

Deputy Mayor Schilling and Maralyn Killorn randomly drew two library surveys as winners for participating in the library survey. Janey Smith and Monica Aguirre each won gift certificates to the Old Town Station Restaurant.

Music by Gary Malner

Gary Malner played the *Union Gap Polka* on his accordion.

Public Works/Community Development

Resolution No. – 17-25 – HLA Local Agency Consultant Agreement – VMB/Goodman Road Traffic Signal

Motion by Council Member Olson, second by Council Member Matson to adopt Resolution No. 17-25 authorizing the City Manager to sign a Local Agency Consultant Agreement with HLA for the VMA/Goodman Road Traffic Signal. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. - 17-26 – HLA TIB Consultant Agreement – South 14th Street Improvements Project

Motion by Council Member Butler, second by Council Member Matson to adopt Resolution No. 17-26 authorizing the City Manager to sign a TIB Consultant Agreement for the South 14th Street Improvements Project. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. - 17-27 – People for People – General Agreement for Services

Motion by Council Member Butler, second by Council Member Olson to adopt Resolution No. 17-27 authorizing the City Manager to sign a General Agreement for Services with People for People for senior citizen services. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. - 17-28 – Venue Management Agreement Amendment

Motion by Council Member Butler, second by Council Member Matson to adopt Resolution No. 17-28 authorizing the City Manager to sign an amended Venue Management Agreement with the Vine Venue for venue management services. Those voting on the motion; Ayes – Lenz, Olson, Butler, Matson and Wentz; Nays – Carney and Schilling. Motion passes.

Resolution No. – 17-29 – Surplus and Sale of Parade Float

Motion by Council Member Lenz, second by Council Member Butler to adopt Resolution No. 17-29 declaring the City parade float and trailer surplus and donating it, free of charge, to the City of Tieton. Those

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voting on the motion; Ayes – Lenz, Butler, Matson and Wentz; Nays – Carney, Olson and Schilling. Motion passes.

Resolution No. – 17-30 – Set a Public Hearing – Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program

Motion by Council Member Olson, second by Council Member Carney to adopt Resolution No. 17-30 setting a public hearing for the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program. Motion carried unanimously.

Award of Bid – South 14th Street Improvements

Motion by Council Member Olson, second by Council Member Butler to award the bid for the South 14th Street Improvements Project to the lowest responsible bidder, which is Apollo, Inc. of Kennewick, Washington in the amount of \$1,184,389.17. Those voting on the motion; Ayes – Schilling, Lenz, Olson, Butler, Matson and Wentz; Nays – Carney. Motion passes.

Finance & Administration

Resolution No. – 17-31 – Appointment of AWC Voting Delegates

Motion by Council Member Lenz, second by Council Member Carney to adopt Resolution No. 17-31 appointing Council Members Schilling and Olson as AWC Voting Delegates. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. – 17-32 – Surplus Computer Equipment

Motion by Council Member Carney, second by Council Member Schilling to adopt Resolution No. 17-32 declaring old computer equipment surplus and authorizing the Finance and Administration Department to dispose of the equipment. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. – 17-33 – Police Surplus Vehicles

Mayor Wentz requested moving this resolution above the library discussion on the agenda since the library discussion would be a much longer conversation.

Motion by Council Member Carney, second by Council Member Lenz to adopt Resolution No. 17-33 declaring two Police Department vehicles surplus and authorizing them to sell one at the Haverlo's spring auction and to donate one to the Criminal Justice Training Commission. Those voting on the motion; Ayes – Carney, Lenz, Olson, Butler, Matson and Wentz; Nays – Schilling. Motion passes.

Library Discussion

Kim Hixon from Yakima Valley Libraries was present to answer questions about the potential library in Union Gap. She explained that if the library district was annexed in it would increase property tax at a rate of \$0.47 per \$1,000 of property tax.

Lorena Fernandez of 2718 4th Street asked if there was an option to use the old police department, or the portion of the fire department that will be vacated after the Civic Campus is built. Manager Fisher explained that the fire department will take over that area for sleeping quarters and the police department will be sold and the proceeds used to reduce the

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City Complex debt.

It was decided that another library survey would be mailed out specifically asking Union Gap citizen's if they would be willing to have property taxes increased to pay for a library in Union Gap.

Items from the Audience

Lorena Fernandez of 2718 4th Street asked if there was going to be a road built between LaSalle and the new round-about. Director Henne informed that he is still speaking with the property owner in that area to determine whether there will be a road there or not.

Ms. Fernandez asked if there will be sidewalks installed in front of the Pepsi building to the railroad tracks. Director Henne stated the City has been unsuccessful in getting funding for this project, but is working with the property owner to at least install gravel in that area.

City Manager Report

City Manager Fisher informed that the *Yak Attack* was very successful with over 8,000 people attending; *Play the Gap* was also successful with attendance of nearly 1,000 people; through funding from an RCO grant that the City received, HLA was able to engineer the Ahtanum Youth Park entry in a way that saved the need of two flaggers for this year's *Yak Attack*; the soccer fields at the Ahtanum Youth Park are in good condition and the new entrance and exit look great; Manager Fisher thanked Director Henne and the Public Works staff for all of their hard work in the park.

Communications/Questions/
Comments

Council Member Matson informed Chief Stewart that he met one of the Fire Department inspectors during the event at Fullbright Park over the weekend and he did a good job with the vendor inspections. He also stated how fond the people at the event are of Chief Cobb.

Development of next agenda

Council member Butler requested the issue about the piece of property between Old Town Road and the Blossom Shop be included on the next agenda.

Adjournment of Meeting

Mayor Wentz adjourned the May 22, 2017 Regular Council Meeting at 7:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

Arlene Fisher-Maurer, City Manager

Karen Clifton, City Clerk