



**Regular Council Meeting -7:00 p.m.
September 2, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Paul Dennis presided.

FLAG SALUTE:

COUNCIL:

Present: Anderson, Chaney, Dietzman, Gerde, Higgins, Hogan and Smith.

Excused:

STAFF MEMBERS: Bourquin, Carothers, Copsey, Durgin, Halverson, Hodges, Knapp and Lackey.

PRESS: None present.

CONSENT AGENDA:

It was moved by Council member Gerde, seconded by Council member Hogan to approve the Consent Agenda of September 2, 2008. The motion carried unanimously.

- a. Approve minutes of the meeting of the August 18, 2008, Camas City Council Meeting and the work session minutes of August 18, 2008.
- b. Approve claim checks numbered 8674-8823 in the amount of one million two hundred twenty thousand fifty-nine dollars and twenty cents (\$1,220,059.20) as approved by the Finance Committee.
- c. Authorize Mayor to sign a contract with Physio-Control, Inc.
- d. Authorize Pay Estimate #7 for Project WS-582A, Washougal River Waterline and Utility Bridge to Stellar J. Corporation, in the amount of five hundred fifty-nine thousand seven hundred forty-two dollars and seventeen cents (\$559,742.17).
- e. Authorize Pay Estimate #1 (Final) for Project WS-684, Adams Street Emergency Sewer Repair to Haag & Shaw, Inc., in the amount of thirty-five thousand four hundred fifty dollars and seventy cents (\$35,450.70), to K & R Plumbing Construction Co., Inc., in the amount of seventy-two thousand two hundred forty dollars (\$72,240) and accept the project as complete.

- f. Authorize Mayor to sign Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Camas and Verizon Northwest Inc.
- g. Authorize Pay Estimate #1 for Project S-509, 2008 Mobility Improvements, Phase 3; and WS-682, NE 3rd Avenue Water Improvements to George Schmid & Sons, Inc., in the amount of one hundred ten thousand two hundred fifty dollars and eighty-eight cents (\$110,250.88).
- h. Authorize bid award for Project P-828, 1936 SE 6th Avenue Nuisance Abatement to the low bidder Michael Green Construction, Inc., in the amount of nineteen thousand six hundred forty dollars and forty-six cents (\$19,640.46).
- i. Authorize bid award for Project S-513, 2008 Street Reconstruction Project – NE 3rd Avenue to the low bidder Haag & Shaw, Inc., in the amount of two hundred twenty-one thousand fifty-one dollars and thirty-eight cents (\$221,051.38).
- j. Authorize Mayor to transfer ownership of surplus equipment to East County Fire & Rescue.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Public: There were no comments.

Staff: There were no comments.

Council: Higgins reported that the Youth Council will start meeting again this Friday. Their first big project will be posting a forum in October. More details will follow.

MAYOR:

Announcements: There were no announcements.

Proclamations: Mayor read a proclamation declaring September 17-23, 2008 as *Constitution Week*.

Mayor read a proclamation declaring the first full week of September as *Payroll Week*.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

Public Hearing - For Amendments to Chapter 18.19 of CMC. Resolution No. 1136 and Ordinance No. 2518: Phil Bourquin, Community Development Director, explained the purpose for the public hearing. Staff's recommendation is to open a public hearing, accept testimony, deliberate and approve Ordinance No. 2518 implementing the changes to the Downtown Design Manual (DDM) as well as approve Resolution No. 1136 which will adopt the DDM.

Mayor asked Council if they had any questions for Bourquin. There were no questions from Council.

Mayor opened and closed the public hearing at 7:06 p.m. as there was no public testimony.

It was moved by Gerde, seconded by Smith that Resolution No. 1136 adopting a Downtown Design Manual (DDM) be read by title only. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Gerde, seconded by Hogan that Resolution No. 1136 be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Gerde, seconded by Anderson that Ordinance No. 2518 amending Chapter 18.19 of the Camas Municipal Code by incorporating the DDM be read by title only. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Gerde, seconded by Hogan that Ordinance No. 2518 be adopted and published according to law. The motion carried unanimously.

Commute Trip Reduction: Bourquin explained the Commute Trip Reduction (CTR) Employer Annual Report. Bourquin stated the report requires the Mayor's signature and asked for Council's approval.

It was moved by Gerde, seconded by Hogan to authorize the Mayor to sign the CTR Plan for 2009. The motion carried unanimously.

FINANCE:

Ordinance No. 2519: Joan Durgin, Finance Director, explained the purpose for the ordinance.

Questions were asked and clarifications were made.

Jim Hodges, Project Manager, reported that there is a detached garage on the property that was not damaged in the fire. Therefore, it was not recognized as part of the abatement. Hodges stated that if it is Council's desire to have the garage demolished that he would discuss the matter with the contractor.

Mayor asked if the cost would increase to also include the demolition of the garage. Hodges responded that it would. Gerde asked Mitch Lackey, Police Chief, if he preferred that the garage be demolished.

Lackey gave some background on the history of the problems that the City has had with the property. Lackey stated that the garage does not appear to be in good shape and that demolishing the garage may make the property more marketable.

Discussion followed on the best way to address this situation.

Roger Knapp, City Attorney, stated that if the garage is not classified as a nuisance, then it should not be part of the abatement.

There was further discussion regarding the property and the court order that was issued to demolish the structure.

Knapp stated that Shawn MacPherson, City Attorney, represented the City in this case, therefore Knapp will need to review the court file in order to determine what reference was made to the demolition.

After further discussion Lloyd Halverson, City Administrator, suggested allowing the demolition of the house to go forward. If it is determined after Knapp consults with MacPherson that the garage was to be included, then the garage can be demolished as well.

It was moved by Gerde, seconded by Dietzman that Ordinance No. 2519 appropriating twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) from the General Fund to pay for operating costs for the abatement of a public nuisance at 1936 SE 6th Avenue, and amending the budget for 2008 to provide for such expenditure be read by title only. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Gerde, seconded by Hogan that Ordinance No. 2519 be adopted and published according to law. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk