



**CITY OF CAMAS
COUNCIL WORKSESSION
June 7, 2010
4:30 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Paul Dennis presided.

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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

Excused:

STAFF PRESENT: Berquist, Bourquin, Carothers, Halverson, Hodges, Lackey, and Levison.

PRESS: Heather Acheson, Camas-Washougal Post Record.

PUBLIC:

There were no comments.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Camas Stormwater Design Manual:

James Carothers, Acting Public Works Director, responded to follow-up topics regarding the Camas Stormwater Design Standards Manual (CSD) by a memo dated June 7th. The following topics were included and discussed: Media Filters, Facility Side Slopes, Easement Widths and Offsite Analysis. Carothers said a meeting with Randy Printz brought out concerns related to how excessive sedimentation and stream bank erosion should be measured for offsite analysis.

Staff recommends that City staff work with representatives from the development community to address issues with the portion of offsite analysis requirements in question and that a public hearing date for the CSD Manual be set.

Carothers responded to questions from Council. The public hearing for the CSD Manual will be held at the June 21st Council Meeting. Prior to the public hearing, staff will address questions regarding verbiage and updates to the manual.

The Condition of City Streets:

Lloyd Halverson, City Administrator, addressed Council's concerns about the repercussions of deferring maintenance of the City streets. Carothers and Levison presented a power point that gave an overview of the pavement management program for the City of Camas. The presentation included program details, what has happened with the program historically and the current status of the program. Eric Levison, Public Works Operations Manager,

summarized what would be needed to maintain streets in fair to good condition and gave a snapshot look at the options and tools that are available to the City.

Carothers, Levison, and Halverson responded to questions from Council.

Halverson summarized potential options that can be explored to add funding to the program.

Gerde requested more information specifically on the \$20.00 vehicle license tax.

Chaney asked for an illustration comparing the condition of the streets before the downturn in the economy to their current condition.

Dietzman asked for a description of what would be needed to catch up on the deferred maintenance and to get the maintenance program back on track.

Smith emphasized that the City should enforce the moratorium on cutting into City streets.

Mayor asked that the visual index that was presented at a planning retreat around 2005 and 2006 be sent electronically to the Council members.

Halverson suggested and Council confirmed that additional information will be brought back for discussion at the August 2, 2010, Council Workshop.

Miscellaneous and Updates:

Carothers responded to questions from Council regarding the memo he sent to Council dated June 3, 2010. The following items were covered in the memo:

- Verizon Antennae Agreement - Upper Prune Hill Reservoir: a draft amendment will be brought back to Council in the near future.
- Lease Agreement for 234 SE Garfield - the completed agreement will be placed on the consent agenda.
- Lake Road Bike Lane Construction Surveying – staff plans to have this item on the June 21st Consent Agenda.
- Well #14 Change Order – staff intends to include this change order on the June 21st Consent Agenda.
- Washougal River Trail Change Order – Staff expects to have this item on the June 21st Consent Agenda.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

Lacamas Northshore Development Agreement:

Phil Bourquin, Community Development Director, referred to the draft agreement with exhibits previously distributed to Council and said that the draft that will be considered can be supported by staff. Staff and Council concurred that a hearing date of July 6th should be set.

Questions were asked and clarifications were made.

Anderson requested that the comparison table for the uses in various designations be broadened to include the new designations so the comparison between the two can be easily reviewed.

Bourquin asked Council to send him any questions or comments that they may have.

Shiloh Heights Vegetation Plan:

Bourquin updated Council about the current status of the tree plan.

POLICE:

Clark County Inter-local Agreement for Court Services:

Mitch Lackey, Police Chief, clarified the additions that were incorporated into the agreement and responded to questions from Council. The agreement stays within the parameters of both Camas and Washougal's allotted budgets and will require the approval of both City Councils. The agreement will be on the June 21st Consent Agenda.

Cell Phone Law:

Lackey reported that the cell phone law changes June 10th prohibiting drivers from holding cell phones. Police officers are scheduled beginning June 10th to stop drivers who are using their cell phone while driving.

Lackey said that progress is being made in preparation for the July 4th holiday.

ADMINISTRATION:

PW Director Updates:

Halverson distributed the *Public Works Director Update* dated June 7, 2010, to members of the audience. Halverson summarized the content of the documents and noted that staff recommends that by motion and vote, Mayor's appointment of Eric Levison as City of Camas' Public Works Director be confirmed. He noted the three key changes that are recommended: transfer the responsibility of the Engineering Department to the Community Development Department, fill the Planning Manager position by early fall, and fill the position that will provide supervision of Public Works Operations, including street, storm, park and facilities maintenance.

Halverson commented on the new organizational structure and how the City can determine its success.

Questions were asked and clarifications were made.

Staffing:

Halverson asked and Council confirmed that the hiring of a new line police officer should be pursued. This position will replace the position the police chief vacated four years ago.

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Parks and Open Space Funding and Related Tasks:

Halverson reported that the appraisal review that was approved by Council will be completed by Dean Potter and Associates and will be on the June 21st or July 6th Consent Agenda.

Halverson responded to questions.

E-Verify Update:

Halverson responded to questions asked in prior meetings by Council. Staff recommended and Council affirmed that the employment portion of E-Verify be implemented by August 1st, and that the City wait to implement the contract portion until staff has gathered more information. The implementation of the employer portion of E-Verify will be placed on the consent agenda in July for Council's consideration.

Miscellaneous Scheduling:

Halverson commented that he has approved vacation beginning June 22nd.

COUNCIL:

Higgins mentioned that he is serving on the Doc Harris Stadium Grand Opening Committee and invited Council to attend the community celebration game on September 17th, the first game played at the new stadium.

Mayor stated that he received a letter from Fire District 5 inviting Camas to discuss regional countywide fire authority and asked if anyone planned to attend. Anderson and Chaney said they would be sure that one of them will attend.

Chaney asked and Halverson responded that the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Conference begins on June 23rd. Bourquin gave a synopsis of the plans for the Camas tour and presentations for AWC that will take place June 24th. Halverson encouraged attendance at the local conference.

PUBLIC:

Ken Hadley, 4011 F Circle, Washougal, WA:

Staff responded to questions regarding the Verizon Antennae Agreement, the City leased property at 234 SE Garfield and whether the North Shore Development Agreement was on the City of Camas website.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk