



**Regular Council Meeting -7:00 p.m.  
March 5, 2007**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Paul Dennis presided.

**FLAG SALUTE:**

**COUNCIL:**

Present: Anderson, Gerde, Higgins, Hogan, Pike and Smith.

Excused: Council member Dietzman

**STAFF MEMBERS:** Altfilish, Brachmann, Halverson, and Knapp.  
Youth Council Representative-Emma Sagor

**PRESS:** None.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** It was moved by Gerde, seconded by Smith and carried that the Consent Agenda be approved.

- a. Approve minutes of the Council meeting of the Camas City Council of February 20, 2007.
- b. Approve claim checks 46882 thru 46893 and 52531 thru 52670 in the amount of \$488,329.39 as approved by the Finance Committee.
- c. Award Project WS-654, 2007 S.T.E.P./S. T. E. F. Tank Pumping, to the low bidder, Haag & Shaw, Inc. in the amount of \$67,735.30.
- d. Authorize award of WS-658 Force Main Pumping Port Improvements the low bidder, George Schmid & Sons, Inc., in the amount of \$85,261.50.
- e. Authorize Pay Estimate #1 for Project P-772, Heritage Park Phase 2, to Zink Commercial Contractors, Inc., in the amount of \$5,447.27.
- f. Approve ambulance Write-offs as outlined in Summary – January 2007 for uncollectable accounts.
- g. Authorize Mayor to sign Amendment #1 to the consultant agreement with Opsis Architecture, LLP for architectural conceptual plans and cost estimations for the new Camas/Washougal Community/Recreation Center in an amount not to exceed \$148,840.

- h.** Motion to authorize Mayor to sign an agreement with the law firm Foster Pepper regarding communications and professional conduct.
- i.** Motion to declare one Microflex PC 9800 handheld meter reading device as surplus property.
- j.** Authorize the Mayor to sign an Engineering services contract with Gray and Osborne, Inc. for evaluation of regional solids treatment facility for sewer facilities comprehensive plan.
- k.** Authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement with the Coalition of public agencies for the appeal of the Stormwater Phase II National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit.

**Staff:**

To update council, Brachmann said that according to the state Department of Transportation they are not looking at putting a round-about at the 6<sup>th</sup> Street area, but installing a right in – right out, the chosen alternative. The round about is an alternative, as well as another alternative of no entrance or exit in that area.

**Youth Council:**

Emma Sagor, Camas Youth Council Representative, reported that their latest project has been a voter registration drive. Letters were sent to unregistered voters in the district urging them to register for all the upcoming elections for this year. This would include the upcoming votes on the school bond and Community/Recreation center. Sagor said their next task is to get information out regarding the Community Center, especially at the youth level. A general interest survey will be distributed to the student body.

**Council:**

Higgins said that the youth council has also been given preliminary information on fireworks and current codes. The group will look at this issue in the fall of this year.

Pike asked if there will be a posting of the vacancy left by Nicholls, on the Planning Commission. Mayor Dennis said that there will be a public posting.

**MAYOR:**

Mayor Dennis asked council for permission to appoint Council member Smith as the Port of Camas/Washougal Liaison, and Council member Higgins to the City/School Partnership Committee.

It was moved by Gerde, seconded by Anderson and carried to appoint Council member Smith as the Port Liaison and Council member Higgins to the City/School Partnership Committee.

**PUBLIC WORKS:**  
**Ordinance No. 2481:**

This Ordinance is related to the vacation of a portion of NE Oak Street.

Bert Duncan-1508 NE 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue-is concerned about the entrance to the cemetery. He was not sure what is requesting to be done, exactly what was being vacated.

Brachmann explained that this is a vacation of a portion of a very wide right-of-way near the entrance to the Camas Cemetery. Inside the row the Cemetery sign exists. In order to make tax lot No. 172 a buildable lot, more frontage is needed because of the shape of the lot. The owners of the lot asked the city to vacate a portion of the right-of-way. The city wants to maintain the cemetery sign in that location. No provisions have been made for trees or shrubs that could block visibility of the sign. The proponents were asked about an easement for vision purposes. No response has been received from the proponents. This vacation will not affect the sidewalk in that area only to adjust the set back. Brachmann will bring back to the next council meeting, a drawing with the building envelope.

Mr. Duncan also brought a letter to council from Mrs. Bachmann, 602 NE Oak St., owner of the residence adjacent to the vacant lot, and it stated her objection to any changes to the lot.

Since there are unanswered questions regarding a portion of the sidewalk and an easement near the cemetery sign, the hearing has been postponed.

It was moved by Higgins, seconded by Anderson and carried to continue the public hearing until April 2, 2007.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

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Mayor

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City Clerk