



**Regular Council Meeting -7:00 p.m.
October 1, 2007**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Paul Dennis presided.

FLAG SALUTE:

COUNCIL:

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

Excused:

STAFF MEMBERS: Bourquin, Brachmann, Chaney, Copsey, Halverson, and Knapp.

PRESS: None present.

CONSENT AGENDA:

It was moved by Council Member Gerde, seconded by Council Member Smith to approve the Consent Agenda of October 1, 2007 with Item **C**, changed to read Authorize Pay Estimate #1 (Final) for Project P-803; 2007 **Police Station Exterior Coating**, to Combs Painting, Inc. in the amount of \$18,060, and accept the project as complete. The motion carried unanimously.

- a. Approve minutes of the September 17, 2007, Camas City Council Meeting and the work session minutes of September 17, 2007.
- b. Approve claim checks numbered 3845-4002 in the amount of \$480,214.93 as approved by the Finance Committee.
- c. Authorize Pay Estimate #1 (Final) for Project P-803; 2007 Police Station Exterior Coating, to Combs Painting, Inc. in the amount of (\$18,060) eighteen thousand sixty dollars, and accept the project as complete.
- d. Authorize Pay Estimate #2 for Project WS-631A; NW 6th Avenue Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation, to Haag & Shaw, Inc. in the amount of (\$158,243.14) one hundred fifty-eight thousand two hundred forty-three dollars and fourteen cents.
- e. Authorize Mayor to sign the 2007 Commute Trip Reduction.

- f. Amendment to the completion date of a Professional Services Agreement with Parametrix for the Preserving Downtown Camas Project.
- g. Amendment to the completion date of a Professional Services Agreement with Barney & Worth for Phase II of the Downtown Camas Vision Update.
- h. Authorize award of P-806 Compressor for HVAC Unit at the Camas Municipal Library to the low bidder USA Mechanical, Inc. for an amount not to exceed (\$9,620.68) nine thousand six hundred twenty dollars and sixty-eight cents, including sales tax.
- i. Authorize award of S-495, 2007 Street Reconstruction – NE 3rd Avenue (NE Garfield Street to NE 3rd Place), to the low bidder CivilWorks NW, Inc. in the amount of (\$276,998.50) two hundred seventy-six thousand nine hundred ninety-eight dollars and fifty cents. Bids were opened on Tuesday, September 25, 2007.
- j. Authorize Mayor to sign a scope of services amendment with DKS Associates additional transportation services for the North UGA Expansion Areas in the amount not to exceed (\$6,500) six thousand five hundred dollars.
- k. Authorize the Police Chief and Mayor to sign acceptance of this U.S. Department of Justice Grant Award for the sum of (\$46,830) forty-six thousand eight hundred thirty dollars.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Public:

Margaret Tweet, 2715 NW 34th Circle, Camas, WA:

Tweet stated that she wanted to follow up on the Metropolitan Parks District question regarding the limitation on taxes. After reading the law again and contacting her legislator, she believes her original understanding of the limitations on taxation is correct. Tweet expressed her concern about the citizens receiving the correct information about the Metropolitan Tax District, and suggested disclosing the full law to the citizens by creating a link to the law on the City website prior to any vote. Tweet does not believe that Council can limit the tax authority of the state law.

Tweet stated that she had sent a letter to the City regarding the filtering system on the internet at the library. Tweet reported her findings on the filtering system that both Fort Vancouver Regional and Camas Libraries have.

Tweet asked if illegal material is available on the unfiltered internet at the City's Public Library and suggested that there is a better way to handle this. Tweet reported what other libraries are doing and also asked if there was a way to filter Wi-Fi access.

Mayor responded that his understanding is that all illegal materials are filtered. The Wi-Fi goes through a separate set of

technologies and the Library Board has said they want to monitor it and that there is not a lot of usage. The Wi-Fi can be filtered and the Council is looking for direction from the Library Board. Mayor further noted that all internet usage is being monitored.

Dan Derringer, Camas, WA:

Derringer also expressed his concern about prohibiting pornography on the internet at the library and cited a police report, in April 2004, regarding a citizen that was viewing pornography on the internet. The library policy does not specifically state that pornography is prohibited.

Mayor reiterated that the usage is being monitored and that filtering and policies have evolved over the past three or four years. The internet policies have been modified twice since 2004.

Higgins stated that his recollection was that the last update did address objectionable material to incorporate pornography.

Derringer stated that the current policy states that it is prohibited to subject other library users or staff to images which could be considered objectionable.

Mayor stated that this matter can be re-addressed with the Library Board. Higgins responded that he would bring this matter up at the next meeting.

Staff:

Lloyd Halverson, City Administrator, stated that a contract with the County for Phase II of the Camas Mobility Project to build sidewalks and ADA curb ramps will be on the October 15th consent agenda. This is a Community Development Block Grant for \$152,000.

Halverson distributed the rough draft of the preliminary budget. This matter will be brought forward at the November 5th workshop. The goal is to have the full booklet ready to distribute to Council and the public by October 26th. Halverson mentioned a few of the highlights of the proposed budget.

Mayor commended staff for their efforts on putting together the budget. In the meantime questions can be referred to Joan Durgin, Finance Director, or Halverson.

Council:

Anderson stated he really enjoyed interacting with some of the Polish Delegates and was quite pleased to hear some of the history of their march to democracy since 1990.

Pike asked if the projected 2007 revenues, that are development driven, are being met with the decline in the real estate market.

Halverson stated that the number and volume of building permits has been quite steady from last year. However, the subdivision and zoning applications have fallen off sharply.

Pike inquired whether this will affect the year end bottom line and Halverson responded that he believed that the City would end the year relatively close to the projection. Halverson commented that he will get the specific data.

Hogan commented that the D & I Committee of the Downtown Vision Coalition (DVC) has talked about re-doing signs in the downtown corridor. Hogan distributed material showing the proposed changes and noted that it must first go before the DVC Board of Directors, and then will go to Council for approval. The next DVC Board meeting will be October 3rd at 8:00 a.m. Hogan also commented that First Friday is coming up and invited everyone to come down to enjoy the festivities.

MAYOR:

Mayor commented that the annual sleepover at the library was September 28th and was enjoyed by all.

Mayor also echoed Anderson's comments on the Polish Delegates visit.

Mayor stated that a group of 2nd graders came to tour the Fire Department, the downtown area and City Hall on September 27th. They are learning about community, which Mayor said is always a pleasure to talk to them about. Mayor thanked the departments that helped out with the tours.

Proclamation:

Mayor read the DECA proclamation declaring October 8th – October 12th DECA week for the Camas High School Chapter.

Appointment:

Mayor appointed Al Steinmann to the Board of Adjustments for an unexpired term ending December 2010.

Mayor asked Council for approval of the appointment.

It was moved by Council Member Gerde, seconded by Council Member Higgins to appoint Al Steinmann to the Board of Adjustments. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

Mayor stated that Item B, Final Plat 7-02 is being pulled at staff's request.

10% Petition Bybee Road North:

Phil Bourquin, Community Development Director, explained the background of the Bybee Road petitions. Bourquin stated that the City Attorney's recommendation is that as long as the property owner does not sign two petitions, that they can be included on two petitions. Based on this recommendation the applicants in the 10% petition would like to look at the boundary and discuss the matter further amongst themselves, and would like to request a continuance until November 5th. Staff supports the continuance request.

Mayor asked for a confirmation of the request.

Roberta Criado, 1806 SE 202nd Ave., Camas, WA:
Criado confirmed that they would like to postpone the matter until November 5th.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The meeting recessed at 7:31 to discuss real property.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk