



CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

Monday, August 7, 2017, 4:30 PM

City Hall, 616 NE 4th Avenue

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Scott Higgins called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Greg Anderson, Bonnie Carter, Don Chaney, Steve Hogan, Melissa Smith and Shannon Turk

Excused: Tim Hazen

Staff: Debra Brooks, Pete Capell, James Carothers, Cathy Huber Nickerson, Leona Langlois, Robert Maul, Shyla Nelson, Heather Rowley, Ron Schumacher, Steve Wall and Alicia Pacheco (intern)

Press: No one from the press was present

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one from the public wished to speak.

IV. WORKSHOP TOPICS

A. Socrata Open Performance Demonstration

Details: As part of the City's new Strategic Plan, one of the initiatives included performance measurements. The City has successfully worked with Socrata to develop the Open Budget and Open Spending software, which provides financial transparency to citizens. Socrata also provides Open Performance, which will allow the City to track goals and initiatives with performance measurements that can be linked back to Open Budget to enhance the financial story of the City. Staff provided a preview of the software and demonstrated what another city has accomplished with the program.

Presenter: Cathy Huber Nickerson, Finance Director

Huber Nickerson demonstrated the software and responded to Council's questions.

B. State Route 500 (SR-500) Posted Speed Revision

Details: The Camas School District is preparing to construct a northern access on NE Garfield Street to Camas High School. The intent is to have this access opened by the start of the 2017-2018 school year. The high school traffic will enter and exit SR-500, also known as NE Everett Street, at NE Everett Drive just south of SE 8th Street. The current posted speed at this intersection is 50 miles per hour. With the increase in school traffic at this location, staff recommended at the July 3, 2017, workshop that the 35 mile per hour posted speed limit boundary be moved to just north of SE 8th Street.

Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) is responsible for setting the posted speed on this state route. The southwest region of WSDOT conducted a study and found the reduced speed is warranted. In order to forward this request to the state traffic engineer for approval, Council must adopt an ordinance in support of this reduced speed limit. Since the workshop of July 3, 2017, a concern was brought forward by a citizen regarding the limited sight distance available at SE 5th Street, due to a vertical curve on SR-500. After review of the roadway characteristics, WSDOT can justify moving the 35 mile per hour speed zone boundary to the north of SE 5th Street. Staff recommends this speed zone alteration. Attached is a map depicting the area of the recommended speed limit change and the proposed Camas High School access location.

Presenter: James Carothers, Engineering Manager

 [SR-500 Revised Posted Speed Change Proposal Map](#)

Carothers summarized the item and discussion ensued. An ordinance was placed on the August 7, 2017 Regular Meeting Agenda for Council's consideration.

C. Development Construction Project Update

Details: The development community is currently constructing a number of projects throughout the City. Some of the projects under construction have been conditioned to complete roadway improvements that will add capacity, change roadway geometry, or add intersection controls. Staff will provide a brief update about some of the projects occurring throughout the City and the associated roadway improvements.

Presenter: Steve Wall, Public Works Director

 [Development Construction Project Update](#)

Wall reviewed the presentation and discussion ensued.

D. Public Works Miscellaneous and Updates

Details: This is a placeholder for miscellaneous or emergent items.

Presenter: Steve Wall, Public Works Director

Wall provided an update about the City's water use and projects impacted by the Capital Budget.

Wall commented about streetlights throughout the City and the completion of Forest Home Road.

E. Community Development Miscellaneous and Updates

Details: This is a placeholder for miscellaneous or emergent items.

Presenter: Robert Maul, Planning Manager

Maul commented about the Green Mountain and the Parklands at Camas Meadows developments.

Maul briefed the Council regarding future meeting items including a presentation from the Clark County Historical Preservation Commission, a draft ordinance regarding trees and updates to Title 18 of the Camas Municipal Code (CMC).

Maul responded to questions from Council regarding the Camas Crossing development.

- F. Possible Congestion Tolling on Interstate 5 (I-5) and Interstate 205 (I-205) Bridges
Details: Oregon House Bill (HB) 2017 directs the Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC) and Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) to study tolling on the I-5 and I-205 bridges and proceed with an application to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) no later than December 31, 2018 to possibly seek approval to implement value pricing on the bridges.
Presenter: Pete Capell, City Administrator

 [Oregon HB 2017 Transportation Bill Tolling Language](#)
[Oregon HB 2017 Implementation Outline](#)

Capell summarized the item and discussion ensued.

- G. City Administrator Miscellaneous Updates and Scheduling
Details: This is a placeholder for miscellaneous or scheduling items.
Presenter: Peter Capell, City Administrator

Capell commented about the salary study for non-represented employees, bargaining with the labor groups and mediation with the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF).

Capell confirmed Council attendance for the August 21, 2017 Workshop and Regular Meetings.

V. COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Chaney, Carter and Mayor Higgins attended three ribbon cutting ceremonies in Downtown Camas.

Anderson attended a meeting of East County Fire and Rescue (ECFR). He commented about wireless communication facilities.

Turk commented about the Concerts in the Park and Movies in the Park.

Carter attended a meeting of the Library Board of Trustees and will attend the Downtown Camas Association (DCA) meeting. Carter announced the Camas Farmers Market will resume this week.

Smith commented about Camas Days and the Employee Appreciation Event.

Mayor Higgins announced that he will not present for the August 21, 2017, Council meetings. He commented about the City's Strategic Plan video.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one from the public wished to speak.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

NOTE: The City welcomes participation of its citizens in the public meeting process. Effort will be made to ensure anyone with special needs can participate. For more information call 360.834.6864.