

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PULLMAN
OCTOBER 17, 2017

Roll Call

A joint meeting ASWSU and the City Council of the City of Pullman was held on October 17, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Pullman, Washington with the following present:

Glenn A. Johnson	Mayor
Leann L. Hubbard	Finance Director
Jeff Hawbaker	Councilmember
Fritz Hughes	Councilmember
Eileen Macoll	Councilmember
Ann Parks	Councilmember
Al Sorensen	Councilmember
Nathan Weller	Councilmember

Call to Order

Mayor Johnson called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember Parks moved, Councilmember Macoll seconded to excuse Councilmember Wright.

Announcements

Mayor Johnson made four announcements.

Presentations

Alternatives to Violence on the Palouse

Mayor Johnson introduced Amy Bolts, Alternatives to Violence on the Palouse (ATVP) Coordinator. ATVP provides 24 hour emergency and supportive services to family and sexual violence victims and survivors and their children. Services are available for concerned, supportive family members, friends and community members. ATVP has served the community for over 35 years. ATVP has served over 400 survivors on the Palouse.

Snow and Ice Guidelines

Mayor Johnson introduced Art Garro, Maintenance and Operations (M&O) Superintendent. He presented snow and ice control guidelines. Changes include scheduling to focus on the morning commute, operational changes, more snow removal areas, equipment, supplies and maps. Councilmember Weller asked if the usual streets will be closed or is there a closure schedule. Garro replied M&O will continue street closures as usual and they rely on the Pullman Police Department. Councilmember Sorensen stated potholes were an issue and asked if they were

filled with permanent materials. Public Works Director Gardes stated the cold mix used during the winter has improved and will last so potholes were not replaced with hot mix. Councilmember Sorensen asked what the schedule for the snow and ice removal will be. Garro replied there are crews of two people. Gardes stated there was one hour of coverage added so there is 24-hour coverage if it is snowing. Councilmember Macoll asked at what point the city starts to plow. Garro replied the written procedure is four inches but we plow when the snow accumulates so it doesn't bond. Councilmember Macoll asked if the bus routes are prioritized. Garro confirmed transit routes are priority one.

**Joint Meeting
With ASWSU**

The first six of eleven items were issues related to the City of Pullman.

1. Town-Gown Update. Planning Director Dickinson reported on Town-Gown Collaborative. The program coordinates the joint efforts of the community and university to improve the quality of life in Pullman. Committees include College Hill matters, downtown focus, first impressions, connectivity and flow, and communication.
2. Comprehensive Plan Update with College Hill Emphasis. Planning Director Dickinson reported on the Pullman Comprehensive Plan. The currently engaged in WSU students interests on (1) more retail, restaurant, and entertainment businesses, (2) enhanced housing and neighborhood conditions, and (3) road, sidewalk, and lighting improvements.
3. Transit Update. Transit Manager Thompson reported on (1) transit overview of fares increase, WSU contract, Sunday service, and new buses, (2) community routes, (3) express routes, (4) new vehicle locator/GPS app, and (5) future goals.
4. Fire Update. Fire Chief Heston reported on WSU and College Hill medical calls, transports for drug/alcohol related calls, fire responses, trends, and building evacuations. Councilmember Weller commented parking during parties prevents emergency vehicles from responding timely. Councilmember Parks asked why it is

recommended to lock doors during a fire. Heston answered locking doors is for security purposes and it does not impede the fire department. It also compartmentalizes the fire.

5. Police Update. Police Chief Jenkins introduced Alex Gordon, the College Hill beat officer. Gordon reported on mischief and conduct on College Hill. Officer Liz Oje reported on the nuisance ordinance and animal control.

6. Glass Recycling. Pullman Disposal Service (PDS) President Devon Felsted reported on the glass recycling. The comingled recycling program started in 2013. Whitman County has concerns with glass in the recycling mix because it damages their equipment. Glass is not a scarce source. Recycling is shipped to Seattle and can be expensive with heavy glass particles. Glass degrades the value of the recyclables. The benefits of recycling glass is small. Councilmember Macoll stated if glass is separated, then the county can use the recycled glass for roads.

The last items seven through eleven were related to ASWSU.

7. Road Safety - Crosswalks and Sidewalks. Senator Rogers and Senator Crouch presented maps of crosswalks and sidewalks to report concerns of lack of crosswalks and sidewalks, lack of signage for existing crosswalks, and problematic road areas, like stairways to middle of roads, potholes, and jaywalking.

8. Road and Snow Safety. Senator Rogers and Senator Crouch reported their concerns on road and snow safety, including snow, snow plows, parking over WSU breaks, and a joint ASWSU-City educational social media campaign.

9. WSU Culture and Heritage House. Senator Hyllseth and Senator Kubosumi reported on the WSU Culture and Heritage House, including history, importance, advantages for students, concerns from students, and historical building status.

10. 47th Senate Legislation Update. Senator Kubosumi reported on the ASWSU Resolution 47-02 and ASWSU Resolution 47-05. Senator Parchem reported on ASWSU Resolution 47-01.

11. Environmental Sustainability Alliance. Senator Dieffenbach reported on Environmental Sustainability Alliance, including the composting project for a green campus, Styrofoam alternatives, and plastic bottle/bag bin. Mayor Johnson mentioned the dining hall is repackaging to help Community Action Center.

At 9:05 p.m. the meeting took a recess to reorganize the meeting for the regular City Council meeting.

At 9:10 p.m. the regular City Council meeting was reconvened.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approval of Recommendations of Consent Agenda Items

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Johnson reviewed the items on the Consent Agenda with the Council and audience. He stated that items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted by a single motion of the Council without separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda by Council request. Councilmember Macoll moved, Councilmember Weller seconded to read the Consent Agenda by title only.

Motion Carried.

City Attorney McAloon read the items on the Consent Agenda by title only. Mayor Johnson asked if there were any requests for removal of items from the Council. There were none. Councilmember Hughes moved, Councilmember Weller seconded to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion Carried.

Motions

Minutes -
September 26,
2017

1. The Council dispensed with the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of September 26, 2017, and approved them as submitted.

Minutes -
October 3,
2017

2. The Council dispensed with the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of October 3, 2017, and approved them as submitted.

Accounts Pay-
able, Payroll
and Electronic
Transfers -
September 26,
2017 to October
10, 2017

3. The Council approved disbursements represented by accounts payable checks numbered 88908 through 89075 totaling \$1,380,251.22 inclusive, payroll checks numbered 71991 through 72108 totaling \$115,210.58, and electronic transfers totaling \$1,098,776.72 for September 26, 2017 to October 10, 2017.

REGULAR AGENDA

Ordinance

Ordinance
No. 17-11 -
Budget Amendment
for 2017

4. Mayor Johnson announced that an ordinance has been prepared amending the 2017 budget. Finance Director Hubbard presented a total amendment of the 2017 net budget amendment of \$315,997 with an amendment of the 2017 Expenditure Budget of \$17,654,997 and an amendment of the 2017 Revenue Budget of \$17,339,000. She requested passing the ordinance amending the 2017 adopted budget.

Ordinance No. 17-11 by title only reads as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 16-18 ADOPTED NOVEMBER 22, 2016, AND ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF PULLMAN FOR THE YEAR 2017".

Councilmember Parks moved, Councilmember Macoll seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 17-11. The motion carried unanimously.

Motions

Removed
from Agenda

5. This item was removed from agenda.

Alternative
B-1A as the
Preferred Route
for South Bypass

6. Mayor Johnson announced a motion is requested to adopt a revision to the previously approved South Bypass route as the preferred alternative and authorize staff to request the related right of way be preserved for that use by Whitman County. Public Works Director Gardes discussed the background and four alternatives. He requested a motion for alternative B-1A as the preferred route for South Bypass. Councilmember Sorensen asked if the Bypass was a two or four lane road and who bears the cost. Gardes answered the original plans are four lanes and the city would bear the costs of the

oversizing. Councilmember Weller appreciates all of the work. Councilmember Sorensen believes the alternative B-1A is better than the other alternatives.

Councilmember Weller moved, Councilmember Hughes seconded to adopt a revision to the previously approved South Bypass route as the preferred alternative and authorize staff to request the related right of way be preserved for that use by Whitman County.

Motion Carried.

Additional
Police Officer
in 2017

7. Mayor Johnson announced a motion is requested to authorize the hiring of an additional police officer for the remainder of 2017. Police Chief Jenkins discussed the background and requested a motion.

Councilmember Sorensen moved, Councilmember Macoll seconded to authorize the hiring of an additional police officer for the remainder of 2017.

Motion Carried.

Discussion

GIS-101

8. City Supervisor Lincoln presented a quick overview of GIS-101 (geographic information system) including what it is, how it builds stronger communities, strategic planning, and examples. GIS has been a Pullman City Council Goal since 2010. Councilmember Sorensen stated Whitman County has been interested in GIS and has a lot of information for the project. Councilmember Macoll asked if Whitman County will be a contributing partner. Lincoln stated Whitman County will not contribute financially but will help provide data that will benefit the project and WSU may have some interns to help.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Johnson asked if there was any new business. There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Hughes moved, Councilmember Weller seconded to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council.

Motion Carried.

Mayor Johnson adjourned the regular meeting of
the City Council at 9:37 p.m.

Finance Director/City Clerk