

**GRANDVIEW CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 18, 2008**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Norm Childress called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Present were: Mayor Childress and Councilmembers Pam Horner, Diana Jennings, Jan McDonald, Bill Moore, Jesse Palacios and Joan Souders. Councilmember Mike Bren was absent.

Staff present was: City Administrator Scott Staples, City Attorney Jack Maxwell and City Clerk Anita Palacios.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Souders led the pledge of allegiance.

3. PRESENTATIONS

A. August Homes of the Month and Beautification Awards

Mayor Childress presented the August Homes of the Month Certificates of Appreciation to the following:

East:	310 Birch	Gay & Peggy Brewer
South:	1004 Vivian Drive	Linda & Jerry Keelin
North:	760 E. Bonnieview	Allen & Thelma Gustavson
Central:	605 W. Third Street	Audi & Lysie Hernandez
West:	606 Royal Court	Doug Veach

Mayor Childress presented the August Beautification Award to the Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic, 1000 Wallace Way.

Mayor Childress presented the August Community Enhancement Award to Joyce Dixon, who has volunteered a combined 80 hours at the Rose Garden facility and the Carl L. Stevens Senior Center grounds.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Walt Bratton, 1304 West Fifth Street, Grandview, thanked Councilmember Bren for voting to keep the swimming pool open. He expressed his displeasure with the early closure of the pool.

Pat Bratton, 1304 West Fifth Street, Grandview, stated that the gang house on Fifth Street was "back in business again." She questioned why the City was spending money on beautifying the downtown rather than attracting new businesses. She asked if public comment would be accepted by Council during the preparation of the 2009 budget.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

On motion by Councilmember Souders, second by Councilmember Moore, Council unanimously approved the Consent Agenda consisting of the following:

- A. Minutes of the August 4, 2008 regular meeting
- B. Claim check Nos. 91408-91494 in the amount of \$202,671.04
- C. Payroll check approval for the August 1, 2008 – August 15, 2008 payroll
- D. Proclamation – Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month – September 1-30, 2008
- E. Ordinance No. 2008-13; repealing GMC Chapter 2.80 Work Release Program and adopting a new GMC Chapter 2.80 Corrections

6. ACTIVE AGENDA

A. Presentation – Citizens for Safe Yakima Valley Communities

Dave Edler, Immediate Past Chairman and Ken Marble, Second Vice President of the Citizens for Safe Yakima Valley Communities (CSC) made a presentation regarding CSC and its efforts for building safer communities citizen by citizen. CSC was created to network individuals and organizations in a self directed effort, harnessing citizen passion and determination to make Yakima Valley a safe place for everyone. They requested Council participation on the Board of Directors and/or funding assistance for the program.

7. UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS - None

8. COUNCILMEMBER MEETING REPORTS

Swim Pool Advisory Committee Meeting – The next meeting of the Swimming Pool Advisory Committee would be held on Thursday, August 28th, 6:30 p.m., at the Fire Hall.

Yakima Valley Band & Cheer Meet and Greet – Councilmembers Palacios and McDonald attended the Yakima Valley Band & Cheer pre-parade performance with the University of Washington band members and cheerleaders on August 6th at Westside Park.

DRYVE – Councilmember Palacios announced that DRYVE received a \$10,000 contribution from Legends Casino. DRYVE has also applied and received non-profit status.

Country Park Pathway – Councilmember Jennings reported that while working at the fair, she received numerous positive comments on the new paved pathway and adjacent landscaping. Councilmember Palacios recommended that Pacific Steel be recognized at a future Council meeting.

Joint City/YVCC Library Project – City Administrator Staples reported that the YVCC has applied for a \$600,000 grant from the USDA Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSI) Education Grants Program for the joint library project. The college has passed the initial application review and has been asked to submit letters of commitment.

Downtown Revitalization Project – City Administrator Staples reported that an Executive Summary explaining the downtown revitalization project has been prepared and mailed to various state legislators seeking funding assistance.

Leadership Yakima Valley – Leadership Yakima Valley, sponsored by YVCC and the communities of Grandview, Granger, Mabton and Sunnyside, will begin in September.

9. ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember McDonald, Council unanimously adjourned the regular meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Mayor Norm Childress

Anita Palacios, City Clerk