

**GRANDVIEW CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 10, 2010**

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 Norm Childress and Councilmembers Mike Bren, Diana Jennings, Bill Moore, Javier Rodriguez and Joan Souders. Councilmembers Pam Horner and Jesse Palacios were absent.

Staff present were: Interim City Administrator Cus Arteaga, City Attorney Jack Maxwell, Fire Chief Pat Mason and City Clerk Anita Palacios.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Fire Chief Mason led the pledge of allegiance.

3. PRESENTATIONS – None

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Douglas Garrison, Attorney at Law in Sunnyside and also a resident of Sunnyside, Washington, expressed his interest in the City Attorney position following the retirement of City Attorney Maxwell.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- A. Minutes of the July 27, 2010 regular meeting
- B. Claim check Nos. 96199-96280 in the amount of \$245,060.81
- C. Payroll check approval for the July 16, 2010 through July 31, 2010 payroll
- D. Ordinance No. 2010-9 amending Grandview Municipal Code Section 12.20.060 allowing dogs in Dykstra Park, East Entrance Parkway and West Entrance Parkway under certain conditions

6. ACTIVE AGENDA

A. Resolution No. 2010-30 approving the Yakima County Fire Protection District and Cities Mutual Aid Agreement

Fire Chief Pat Mason presented the Yakima County Fire Protection District and Cities Mutual Aid Agreement which would enable every City, Fire District, and the Yakima Training Center located in Yakima County to call upon resources from other entities to supply fire protection, EMS care and equipment in case of an emergency that was too large for their department to handle. The Agreement was updated as follows:

- Clerical, grammar and punctuation mistakes were removed from the document.

- Item 2A “Request for Specialized Technical Services” was eliminated which required requesting departments to pay the costs of some technical rescue services after 2 hours.
- Item 17 “Signatures” was added so that each entity could sign an individual signature page rather than one document having to make the rounds through all of the jurisdictions.

He recommended Council enter into this updated agreement along with all of the other entities in Yakima County to better protect our community in case of emergencies where more equipment or manpower was needed than the Fire Department could provide.

On motion by Councilmember Souders, second by Councilmember Rodriguez, Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 2010-30 approving the Yakima County Fire Protection District and Cities Mutual Aid Agreement.

B. Resolution No. 2010-31 adopting Greenhouse Gas Reduction Emission Policy for the City of Grandview

On July 14, 2010, the City received a letter from City Engineer Mike Battle of Huibregtse, Louman Associates, Inc., regarding implementation of a Greenhouse Gas Reduction Emission Policy. He explained that earlier this year, many state funding agencies including the Transportation Improvement Board and the Public Works Board required applicants have a policy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions prior to application submittal. The requirement stems from RCW 70.235.070, passed by the 2009 Washington State Legislature. If the City was to submit a TIB application this year, it was imperative such a policy be adopted prior to application submittal on August 31, 2010.

On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Rodriguez, Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 2010-31 adopting Greenhouse Gas Reduction Emission Policy for the City of Grandview.

7. UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS – None

8. INTERIM CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND/OR STAFF REPORTS

Community Parade – Staff has been gearing up for the community parade scheduled for Thursday, August 12th.

Yakima Valley Fair and Rodeo – Public Works staff has completed grounds and building maintenance in preparation of the annual fair and rodeo on August 11th – 14th.

Downtown Alive Improvement Project – The Downtown Alive Improvement Project was moving along with paving of Second Street beginning today.

2009 Audit – The auditors were in-house beginning the 2009 audit. The entrance conference was scheduled for Monday, August 16th, 1:00 p.m., at City Hall.

East Entrance Project – The “Welcome to Grandview” sign has been moved and erected closer to the Exit 73 interchange at the east entrance. A new flag pole was being retrofitted from an

old light pole by Lower Valley Machine Shop and Walker's Auto Body & Paint and would be installed once completed, along with lighting.

9. COUNCILMEMBER MEETING REPORTS

Community Parade – Councilmember Souders reminded that the community parade with the new parade route was scheduled for Thursday, August 12th at 6:30 p.m.

Yakima County Farmworker Housing Forum – Councilmember Jennings advised that the Washington State Farmworker Housing Trust would be hosting the Yakima County Farmworker Housing Forum community meeting at YVCC-Yakima on Thursday, August 26th from 5:30-7:30 p.m., to discuss regional data from a statewide survey of farmworkers and farmworker housing needed to sustain Yakima Valley's thriving agricultural economy.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Childress adjourned the meeting to an executive session at 7:20 p.m., for approximately 30 minutes to discuss personnel matters and 30 minutes to discuss potential litigation with the aforementioned Mayor, Councilmembers, City Attorney and Interim City Administrator present.

The executive session was extended an additional 30 minutes at 8:20 p.m., to evaluate the qualifications of applicants for the City Administrator position. Interim City Administrator Arteaga recused himself from the executive session. The executive session was extended an additional 10 minutes at 8:50 p.m. and an additional 10 minutes at 9:00 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 9:10 p.m., with the aforementioned Mayor, Council and staff present.

11. ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Rodriguez, Council unanimously adjourned the regular meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Mayor Norm Childress

Anita Palacios, City Clerk