

**GRANDVIEW CITY COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 2, 2008**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Norm Childress called the study session to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

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

Staff present were: City Administrator Scott Staples, City Attorney Jack Maxwell, Librarian Linda Dunham, and Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer Elizabeth Alba.

2. YVCC GRANDVIEW CAMPUS MASTER PLAN UPDATE

City Administrator Staples introduced Dr. Linda Kaminski, President of Yakima Valley Community College (YVCC) and Vice President Teresa Holland.

Dr. Kaminski presented a map and information about future expansion needs for the Grandview Campus of YVCC. Dr. Kaminski explained that YVCC was seeing growth in enrollment at both the Yakima and Grandview campuses, but a larger percentage of growth was happening at the Grandview Campus. A master plan was developed to provide a footprint for the long range expansion of the Grandview Campus.

The lease YVCC currently holds with the City of Grandview allows for the Carl L. Stevens Senior Center [Senior Center] building to revert to YVCC on June 30, 2039. Dr. Kaminski suggested YVCC purchase the Senior Center building in the near future in order to take over the operation and maintenance costs from the City. YVCC would allow the City to offer the same programs currently provided to seniors at the Senior Center.

Ms. Holland explained that providing a grand entrance to the Grandview campus was another priority for YVCC. YVCC intends to seek out property to purchase from private property owners adjacent to Wine Country Road north of the YVCC campus in order to extend the entrance from West Main to Wine Country Road. Dr. Kaminski explained that if the City decided to close the pool, the college would be interested in purchasing land at Westside Park as well.

Dr. Kaminski explained that if the extension of the entrance to YVCC takes place, YVCC would ask the City to vacate West Main and extend the parking for the campus. Currently, the college cannot expand parking within the existing property configuration.

Discussion took place about timeline and priorities for the master plan. Dr. Kaminski indicated YVCC would like to pursue the purchase of the Senior Center building as soon as possible. The other elements of the master plan would be addressed when the joint YVCC/City Library Project was complete and if the City decided to close or relocate the pool.

3. ADJOURNMENT

The study session adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Mayor Norm Childress

Elizabeth Alba, Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer

