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Minutes  
Workshop Meeting  
May 26 , 2015

Present: Mayor Kenneth Neilson, Councilmen Garth Nisson, Thad Seegmiller, Ronald Truman, Jeff Turek, City Attorney Jeff Starkey, City Manager Roger Carter, City Recorder Danice Bulloch, Public Works Director Mike Shaw, Police Chief Jim Keith, Deputy Recorder Tara Pentz, Audience: Emerson Carnavale, Jennae Carnavale, Bill Hudson

Excused: Councilman Kress Staheli

Meeting commenced at 6:04 P.M.

**1. Approval of the Agenda.**

*Councilman Turek made a motion to approve the agenda with the removal of item 6. Councilman Seegmiller seconded the motion; which passed with the following roll call vote:*

<i>Councilman Nisson</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilman Seegmiller</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Councilman Turek</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**2. Expression of Thanks from the Carnavale Family. Emerson & Jennae Carnavale**

Mr. Emerson Carnavale explained they were in front of Council approximately 6 months ago when over half of their home was destroyed by flooding. He and his family is here tonight to express their gratitude and sincere thanks for all that was done for them by Washington City.

**3. Discussion and review of a possible power source. Jerry Eves, Strata Renewable Resources**

Mr. Jerry Eves was not available at the meeting.

City Manager Roger Carter stated Mr. Eves has meet with the Power Director Kelly Carlson, and Staff will continue to work with him. He would need to work with UAMPS in order to move forward with his project. We are happy to encourage UAMPS to work with Mr. Eves, as it is an interesting proposal.

#### **4. Discussion and review of Youth Council budget. Mayor Kenneth Neilson**

Mayor Kenneth Neilson stated the Youth Council has been extended from 20 to 25 people. He would like to know if the current budget would be adequate to handle the additional memberships.

Councilman Turek stated the biggest expense is the shirts for the members. They would be approximately \$20 per person. In addition, they attend the Legislature, which would be approximately \$165.

Councilman Seegmiller stated the budget they have with current memberships would be approximately \$300 per person. With an additional five members, the cost would increase \$1500 at the current rate. He feels it is a good program, and he would support additional costs, however, the program should be closely monitored each year.

Councilman Turek reviewed some of the costs and challenges with the Youth Council Program. There are things, which could be done to mitigate expenses if the budget does not afford an increase.

City Manager Roger Carter stated we are in the process of the budget approval. An additional cost could be added before the final approval.

Councilman Seegmiller asked how the attendance is for the events for the Youth Council.

Councilman Turek stated they have anywhere from 5 to 17 in attendance at events and regular meetings. However, the biggest expense is the trip to Legislature, which most if not all of the members attend.

#### **5. Discussion and update review of Milepost 11. Public Works Director Mike Shaw**

Public Works Director Mike Shaw updated Council on the proposed interchange. UDOT has suggested beginning to acquire the right-of-way. He would like to know what direction Council would like him to move, as we have a property owner on the top of Main Street who is willing to sell to Washington City.

City Manager Carter stated this is on the agenda as an Closed Session for later this evening.

- Councilman Truman arrived at 6:21 P.M.

Councilman Seegmiller asked if we have sufficient enough documentation to move forward with the potential interchange in this location.

Public Works Director Shaw stated the initially reviews have indicated the best location for the interchange, and we are being encouraged to move forward with the right-of-way acquisitions.

Councilman Seegmiller suggested we do not encourage flood prevention expense from homeowners if there is a potential of their homes being purchased for the interchange.

City Manager Carter stated the adjacent property owners are excited about the interchange, and hope to change some of their zoning to commercial.

Public Works Director Shaw reviewed how the initial funding would work in order to move forward.

Councilman Turek asked if the gas tax is going to be necessary in order to fund these programs from where we are hoping to get money.

Public Works Director Shaw stated the funding he is discussing would not be affected by the gas tax.

Councilman Nisson asked if UDOT has a preferred design.

Public Works Director Shaw stated there are three possible designs, which he believes have been previously been provided to Council. They are very tentative drawings, and the environmental documentation is going to be a deciding factor.

Councilman Seegmiller asked if we start acquiring properties, would the money invested be used toward what is owed by Washington City.

Public Works Director Shaw stated we are not required to invest money. However, if no money is invested, we could potentially be out 20 years. If Washington City is willing to donate money or right-of-way it would move us forward with participating cost, and we could have the new exit very soon.

Councilman Seegmiller stated he feels once the interchange is complete, Washington City should focus on the completion of the Washington Parkway to Hwy 18.

It was the consensus of Council to move forward on discussions with the homeowners on the possibility of acquiring right-of-way.

**6. Discussion of Financial Rate Study. Power Director Kelly Carlson**

*Removed*

**7. CLOSED SESSION**

**A. Discuss purchase, exchange or lease of property.**

*Councilman Seegmiller made a motion to move into Closed Session to discuss purchase, exchange or lease of property. Councilman Turek second the motion; which passed with the following roll call vote:*

*Councilman Nisson                   Aye  
Councilman Seegmiller           Aye*

Councilman Truman           Aye  
Councilman Turek            Aye

The Council moved into closed session at 6:39 P.M.

The Council adjourned the Closed Session and returned to the Regular Meeting at 7:21 P.M.

**8.     Adjournment**

*Councilman Seegmiller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Truman seconded the motion; which passed with the following roll call vote:*

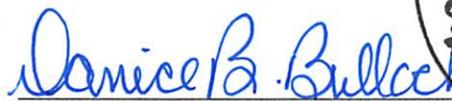
Councilman Nisson           Aye  
Councilman Seegmiller       Aye  
Councilman Truman          Aye  
Councilman Turek            Aye

*Meeting adjourned at 7:21 P.M.*

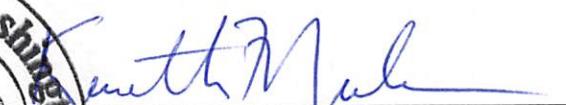
Passed and approved this 10th day of June 2015.

Washington City

Attest by:

  
Danice B. Bulloch, City Recorder



  
Kenneth F. Neilson, Mayor

