

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 2016 AT CASHMERE CITY HALL

OPENING

Mayor Gomes opened the regular city council meeting at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Clerk-Treasurer Kay Jones took minutes.

ATTENDANCE

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Mayor:	Jeff Gomes Skip Moore Jim Fletcher Dave Erickson Kameon Smith Derrick Pratt	
Staff:	Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer Mark Botello, Dir. of Planning/Building Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney	

FLAG SALUTE

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No public comment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

No announcements.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Gomes amended the agenda, adding item #6 Electric Vehicles and an Executive Session to discuss potential litigation.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Moore to approve the agenda with the additional items. Motion carried

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of January 11, 2016 Regular City Council Meeting  
Payroll and Claims Packet Dated 2015 Year End Closure  
Claim Check Nos. #36473 through #36483 totaling \$65,959.61  
Payroll and Claims Packet Dated January 25, 2016  
Claim Check Nos. #36485 through #36515 totaling \$159,927.85  
Manual Check Nos. #36472, #36484

MOVED by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Moore to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried

APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR PRO-TEM

Mayor Gomes announced that every two years the council appoints a Mayor Pro-Tem and asked if there was anyone interested in serving in that capacity.

Councilor Fletcher has been serving as the Mayor Pro-Tem and was willing to continue if no one was interested.

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Erickson to appoint Councilor Fletcher as Mayor Pro-Tem. Motion carried

APPOINTMENT OF AUDIT COUNCIL MEMBER

Mayor Gomes announced that it's time to reappoint an Audit Councilmember and asked if anyone was interested in the position to replace Councilor Erickson. The responsibility of the Audit Councilmember is to take a closer and more thorough look at the invoices. It's a great learning experience for new council members.

Councilor Smith stated she was interested and willing to serve as the Audit member.

MOVED by Councilor Pratt and seconded by Councilor Erickson to appoint Councilor Smith as the Audit Councilmember. Motion carried

AGREEMENT WITH PLATEAU ARCHAEOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS FOR CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY FOR RIVERSIDE PARK PROJECT

Director Botello reported that the cultural resource survey was a requirement of the grant for the Riverside Park project.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Erickson to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement with Archaeological Investigations for a cultural resource survey. Motion carried

WA STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE WORK CREW SERVICES

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to authorize the Mayor to execute a Master Agreement with the Washington State Department of Corrections for the use of incarcerated offenders to perform work for the City in substantially the form of the sample Master Agreement in the Council Packet and to authorize the Mayor to execute all associated Work Project Descriptions and any other related documents as the Mayor deems appropriate. Motion carried

CONTINUED DISCUSSION ON RFP FOR SOLID WASTE SERVICES

The committee presented the council with the information requested and four options to consider regarding the RFP for Solid Waste Services.

Option 1: Continue City service with commercial customer subsidized residential garbage and recycling rates. This is a short term solution which includes no rate adjustments. Long term will require general fund subsidy.

Option 2: Continue City service and adjust rate to reduce commercial rates to make them more marketplace competitive with other providers and increase smallest container residential customer rates. Residential customer rates are then comparable and competitive with other provider's rates. This option results in a \$7,679 net revenue reduction for the solid waste budget.

Option 3: Continue City Service with the same reductions in commercial rate as with Option 2 above, but increase residential customer rates to eliminate the \$7,679 deficit in Option 2 above. This results in no budget deficit, but is not a long term solution when taking into account future capital needs of the City solid waste department.

Option 4: Decide that the City should discontinue providing solid waste collection and recycling services and continue the Request for Proposals process. Next Step: evaluate the proposals of the two qualified third-party providers further; and, Final Step: negotiate the terms of an agreement and residential and commercial rates with the selected third-party provider.

MOVED by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to approve Option 4: Decide that the City should discontinue providing solid waste collection and recycling services and continue the RFP process. Motion carried

#### ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Mayor Gomes gave an update on the request for an electric vehicle charging station in Cashmere. The proposal was to put a charging station at the Cashmere Museum. The Museum is not in favor of having a charging station on their property. Mayor Gomes stated that the next option to consider is to install a charging station in the back of the City's Aplets Way parking lot.

The consensus of the council was to proceed with looking into the Aplets Way parking lot option.

#### PROGRESS REPORTS

Director Botello summarized the printed information he provided council.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION – To discuss potential litigation

Mayor Gomes closed the regular session at 7:10 and entered into an executive session to discuss potential litigation for approximately ten minutes. No action will be taken when back in regular session.

Mayor Gomes reconvened the regular session at 7:21 p.m. and adjourned the meeting.

  
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Jeff Gomes, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer