MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, JULY 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

Present

Not Present

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

Julie Norton, City Attorney

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Mayor Gomes announced that the audit for 2015 was completed and the city passed with flying colors. Councilors Erickson and Pratt attended the Audit Exit meeting. The auditors were very complimentary of the work of Clerk-Treasurer Kay Jones and the completeness.

Councilor Fletcher gave an updated on Link Transit in the Cashmere area and the request from a business owner to move the bus stop on Mission Avenue. He discussed the difficulty in balancing the bus stop locations with the right schedule to service riders, while not impact businesses. Link does not want to move the bus stop at this time. They will continue to evaluate in the future, but at this time there is no solution.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No public comment.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Gomes requested the addition of an Executive Session to discuss potential litigation.

MOVED by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Smith to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of July 11, 2016 Regular Council Meeting

Payroll and Claims Packet Dated July 25, 2016

Claim Check Nos. EFT 06/2016 and #37030 through #37073 totaling \$405,247.82 Manual Check Nos. #37025 and #370029

Public Hearing for Monday, August 8, 2016 at 6:00 pm on the Transportation Improvement Plan

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to approve the items on the consent agenda. Motion carried.

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TREE COMMITTEE INTRODUCTIONS AND UPDATE

Director Botello introduced the members of the Tree Committee; Steve Crossland, Anne McClendon, Jan Evans, Maureen Stoffel and David Hobbs. Ed Myers could not be present.

The Mayor and City Council may appoint not more than seven citizens to sit as members of the tree committee. The tree committee shall provide the mayor with advice and information as to the supervision, direction and control of the care, trimming, removal and relocation and placement of vegetation in the public streets and areas of the city. The committee acts as an advisory capacity only.

Out of 88 Tree City communities in Washington the City of Cashmere is the 4th oldest Tree City. Communities achieve Tree City USA status by meeting four core standards of sound urban forestry management; Maintaining a tree board or department, having a community tree care ordinance, a community forestry program with an annual budget of at least \$2 per capita and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

Member Steve Crossland spoke about the passion, purpose and commitment of the Tree Committee Members. He discussed the history along with prior projects.

Mayor Gomes thanked the committee for their commitment and service to the City.

SELECTION OF CONTRACTOR FOR THE RIVERSIDE PARK PARKING LOT DEVELOPMENT
The City utilized the Small works roster for the selection of contractor for the development of Riverside Park parking lot project. The City solicited three bids. The apparent low bidder of the

two bids received was Mitchell Trucking & Paving in the amount of \$175,608.60.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Erickson to approve staff's recommendation to select Mitchell Trucking & Paving and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract. Motion carried.

FRANCHISE EXTENSION AGREEMENT WITH FALCON VIDEO COMMUNICATIONS (CHARTER)

The proposed Franchise Extension Agreement extends the existing Franchise of Charter through December 14, 2020, to expire at the same time as the Master Cable Service Franchise.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Moore to approve the Franchise Extension Agreement as presented. Motion carried.

SURPLUS LIST FOR GARBAGE AND RECYCLING EQUIPMENT

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Moore to declare the listed items surplus and authorize mayor and staff to negotiate the sale price. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – To Discuss Potential Litigation

At 6:47 p.m. Mayor Gomes closed the regular session to enter into an executive session to discuss potential litigation for approximately twenty minutes. No decisions will be made when back in regular session.

The Executive Session was extended an additional twenty minutes. There was no public present to inform.

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The Executive Session was extended for another twenty minutes. The regular session was reconvened at 7:45 p.m.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Director Mark Botello reported that Crunch Pak submitted a shoreline application for development of covered bin storage area and a mechanic office on Sunset Highway.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gomes adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

Jeff Gomes, Mayor

Attest:

Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer