



**CITY OF WASHOUGAL
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
MINUTES
Monday, February 12, 2024
5:00 PM**

MEETING INFORMATION

Please click the link below to join the webinar:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86833933494>

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor David Stuebe called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor David Stuebe and Councilmembers David Fritz, Molly Coston, Julie Russell, Ernie Suggs, and Tia Robertson **Absent:** Councilmember Michelle Wagner

Staff:

David Scott, City Manager
Daniel Layer, Finance Director/City Clerk
Wendi Steinbronn, Police Chief
Rose Jewell, Community Engagement Manager
Monie Holmes, Assistant Finance Director
Michelle Wright, Public Works Business Administrator

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Harvey Olson commented on the city's increasing water rates and reviewed the history of the increases. He discussed the carbon gas bill and suggested council reduce the cost of each water cc unit.

Larry Keister gave an update from the Port and the bicycle rack project.

Jennifer Giltrop introduced herself as the new Fort Vancouver Regional Library Executive Director.

Rick Smithrud introduced himself as the Executive Director of the library foundation.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Public Works: Washougal Towncenter Revitalization Project Update

Michelle Wright introduced Jeremy Fick and Nate Otani, project consultants who presented the following:

- Final spatial use diagram
- Guiding principles
- Woven community concept
- Natural site character
- Materials, textures plus transitions
- Splash pad inspirations

- Play amenities
- Site component key map
- Preliminary schematic site plan
- 3-D visual plans
- Funding sources
- Schematic design cost estimate
- Two food cart station sites
- Schematic design budget summary
- Value engineering idea reduction
- David Scott reviewed the funding mechanisms
- Operations and maintenance considerations

Trever Evers and David Scott introduced the Jeremy Fick, Consultant who presented the following:.

B. Public Works: WA State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) Grant Resolution/Authorization for Downtown Recreation Park

Michelle Wright explained the RCO resolution for funding referenced in the previous presentation. This item will be on the February 26th council agenda.

C. City Manager's Office: Regional Fire Authority (RFA) Planning Committee

David Scott explained that three members from the council will be on the RFA Committee to meet the statutory requirements. The existing three JPAC members (Coston, Wagner, and Russell) are proposed for continuity. The resolution creating the committee will be on the next council agenda in two weeks. The recent fire interlocal agreement adopted by council directed the action to form the regional fire authority. The regional fire authority will need to be on the ballot.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joey (Megan) Bailey commented on the parking, pedestrian deaths, truck emissions, and farmer's market.

VI. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. CITY MANAGER

David Scott gave an update from AWC City Action Days and projects on the legislative agenda. He discussed the capital budget and acknowledged the support of the local delegation. The fire replacement and police expansion open house is scheduled for February 22nd at 6 pm. This bond is forecasted to be on the August ballot. Bid opening on the treatment plant will occur later this month. The city needs to decide between the subsidize clean water loan or the public works loan.

B. MAYOR

Deferred to regular council meeting.

C. CITY COUNCIL

Councilmember Fritz discussed the port project including bike racks along with a few other elements and involving local students and alternative forms of transportation.

Councilmember Russell announced the ECHO meeting undergoing charter review and addressed the utility rate increases.

Councilmember Coston noted the artist of the Seaman sculpture will be repairing the vandalism on Tuesday.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting ended at 6:23

Mayor

City Clerk



Applicant Resolution/Authorization

Organization Name (sponsor) _____

Resolution No. or Document Name _____

Project(s) Number(s), and Name(s) _____

This resolution/authorization authorizes the person(s) identified below (in Section 2) to act as the authorized representative/agent on behalf of our organization and to legally bind our organization with respect to the above Project(s) for which we seek grant funding assistance managed through the Recreation and Conservation Office (Office).

WHEREAS, grant assistance is requested by our organization to aid in financing the cost of the Project(s) referenced above;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. Our organization has applied for or intends to apply for funding assistance managed by the Office for the above "Project(s)."
2. Our organization authorizes the following persons or persons holding specified titles/positions (and subsequent holders of those titles/positions) to execute the following documents binding our organization on the above projects:

Grant Document	Name of Signatory or Title of Person Authorized to Sign
Grant application (submission thereof)	
Project contact (day-to-day administering of the grant and communicating with the RCO)	
RCO Grant Agreement (Agreement)	
Agreement amendments	
Authorizing property and real estate documents (Notice of Grant, Deed of Right or Assignment of Rights if applicable). These are items that are typical recorded on the property with the county.	

The above persons are considered an "authorized representative(s)/agent(s)" for purposes of the documents indicated. Our organization shall comply with a request from the RCO to provide documentation of persons who may be authorized to execute documents related to the grant.

3. Our organization has reviewed the sample RCO Grant Agreement on the Recreation and Conservation Office's WEB SITE at: <https://rco.wa.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/SampleProjAgreement.pdf>. We understand and acknowledge that if offered an agreement to sign in the future, it will contain an indemnification and legal venue stipulation and other terms and conditions substantially in the form contained in the sample Agreement and that such terms and conditions of any signed Agreement shall be legally binding on the sponsor if our representative/agent enters into an Agreement on our behalf. The Office reserves the right to revise the Agreement prior to execution.
4. Our organization acknowledges and warrants, after conferring with its legal counsel, that its authorized representative(s)/agent(s) have full legal authority to act and sign on behalf of the organization for their assigned role/document.
5. Grant assistance is contingent on a signed Agreement. Entering into any Agreement with the Office is purely voluntary on our part.
6. Our organization understands that grant policies and requirements vary depending on the grant program applied to, the grant program and source of funding in the Agreement, the characteristics of the project, and the characteristics of our organization.
7. Our organization further understands that prior to our authorized representative(s)/agent(s) executing any of the documents listed above, the RCO may make revisions to its sample Agreement and that such revisions could include the indemnification and the legal venue stipulation. Our organization accepts the legal obligation that we shall, prior to execution of the Agreement(s), confer with our authorized representative(s)/agent(s) as to any revisions to the project Agreement from that of the sample Agreement. We also acknowledge and accept that if our authorized representative(s)/agent(s) executes the Agreement(s) with any such revisions, all terms and conditions of the executed Agreement shall be conclusively deemed to be executed with our authorization.
8. Any grant assistance received will be used for only direct eligible and allowable costs that are reasonable and necessary to implement the project(s) referenced above.
9. [for Recreation and Conservation Funding Board Grant Programs Only] If match is required for the grant, we understand our organization must certify the availability of match at least one month before funding approval. In addition, our organization understands it is responsible for supporting all non-cash matching share commitments to this project should they not materialize.
10. Our organization acknowledges that if it receives grant funds managed by the Office, the Office will pay us on only a reimbursement basis. We understand reimbursement basis means that we will only request payment from the Office after we incur grant eligible and allowable costs and pay them. The Office may also determine an amount of retainage and hold that amount until all project deliverables, grant reports, or other responsibilities are complete.
11. [for Acquisition Projects Only] Our organization acknowledges that any property acquired with grant assistance must be dedicated for the purposes of the grant in perpetuity unless otherwise agreed to in writing by our organization and the Office. We agree to dedicate the property in a signed "Deed of Right" for fee acquisitions, or an "Assignment of Rights" for other than fee acquisitions (which documents will be based upon the Office's standard versions of those documents), to be recorded on the title of the property with the county auditor. Our organization acknowledges that any property

acquired in fee title must be immediately made available to the public unless otherwise provided for in policy, the Agreement, or authorized in writing by the Office Director.

12. [for Development, Renovation, Enhancement, and Restoration Projects Only–If our organization owns the project property] Our organization acknowledges that any property owned by our organization that is developed, renovated, enhanced, or restored with grant assistance must be dedicated for the purpose of the grant in perpetuity unless otherwise allowed by grant program policy, or Office in writing and per the Agreement or an amendment thereto.
13. [for Development, Renovation, Enhancement, and Restoration Projects Only–If your organization DOES NOT own the property] Our organization acknowledges that any property not owned by our organization that is developed, renovated, enhanced, or restored with grant assistance must be dedicated for the purpose of the grant as required by grant program policies unless otherwise provided for per the Agreement or an amendment thereto.
14. [Only for Projects located in Water Resources Inventory Areas 1-19 that are applying for funds from the Critical Habitat, Natural Areas, State Lands Restoration and Enhancement, Riparian Protection, or Urban Wildlife Habitat grant categories; Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account; or the Puget Sound Acquisition and Restoration program, or a Salmon Recovery Funding Board approved grant] Our organization certifies the following: the Project does not conflict with the Puget Sound Action Agenda developed by the Puget Sound Partnership under RCW 90.71.310.
15. This resolution/authorization is deemed to be part of the formal grant application to the Office.
16. Our organization warrants and certifies that this resolution/authorization was properly and lawfully adopted following the requirements of our organization and applicable laws and policies and that our organization has full legal authority to commit our organization to the warranties, certifications, promises and obligations set forth herein.

This resolution/authorization is signed and approved on behalf of the resolving body of our organization by the following authorized member(s):

Signed _____

Title _____ Date _____

On File at: _____

This Applicant Resolution/Authorization was adopted by our organization during the meeting held:
(Local Governments and Nonprofit Organizations Only):

Location: _____ Date: _____

Washington State Attorney General's Office

Approved as to form Brian Toller 2/13/2020
Assistant Attorney General Date

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CITY OF WASHOUGAL, WASHINGTON
RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION of the city council of the City of Washougal, Washington, authorizing the City of Washougal to participate in the development of a draft plan for the formation of a Regional Fire Protection Service Authority and appointing members to a Regional Fire Protection Service Authority Planning Committee.

WHEREAS, Washougal and Camas currently provide fire and emergency medical (“EMS”) services pursuant to the terms of an Interlocal Agreement between the Cities of Camas and Washougal for the Formation and Operation of the Camas-Washougal Fire Department dated December 4, 2013, as amended; and

WHEREAS, Washougal and Camas are mutually interested in determining the best option for providing the most effective and efficient delivery of fire and EMS services to the community; and

WHEREAS, to fully explore which service delivery option is best for the community, Camas and Washougal engaged a study by Merina to evaluate various service delivery options; and

WHEREAS, the Merina study recommended a Regional Fire Protection Service Authority (“RFA”) as the preferred service delivery option; and

WHEREAS, to fully explore the option of an RFA, Washougal and Camas must follow the statutory provisions regarding the formation of an RFA, including a Planning Committee established pursuant to RCW 52.26.030; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Committee considers matters identified in RCW 52.26.040 and other related matters, ultimately culminating in preparation of a draft Regional Fire Protection Service Authority Plan to potentially be submitted to the voters; and

WHEREAS, RCW 56.26.030(2) provides that the Council must appoint three elected officials to represent the City on the Planning Committee; and

WHEREAS, since the formation of the Camas Washougal Fire Department, Washougal and Camas have utilized a Joint Policy Advisory Committee (“JPAC”) as a primary advisory body to the respective City Councils, pursuant to the Interlocal Agreement, consisting of three councilmembers from each City; and

WHEREAS, appointment of the current JPAC members to the RFA Planning Committee will provide for continuity in the evaluation process; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a Planning Committee and the development of a draft Regional Fire Protection Service Authority Plan does not commit the City to any specific action with respect to forming an RFA;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF WASHOUGAL AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I

That the City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager and elected officials of the City to actively participate with the City of Camas in a Regional Fire Protection Service Authority Planning Committee for the development of a draft Regional Fire Protection Service Authority Plan to be presented to the Camas and Washougal city councils for possible presentation to the voters of Camas and Washougal.

SECTION II

That the City Manager or designee is authorized to implement such administrative procedures as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of RCW 52.26, and that the following councilmembers be appointed to the Regional Fire Protection Service Authority Planning Committee, in conformance with RCW 52.26.030(2).

1. City Councilmember Michelle Wagner
2. City Councilmember Julie Russell
3. City Councilmember Molly Coston

SECTION III

That this Resolution shall take effect and be in full force upon passage and signatures hereon.
Dated and signed this 26th day of February, 2024.

CITY OF WASHOUGAL

David Stuebe, Mayor

ATTEST:

Daniel Layer, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Robert Zeineman, City Attorney