



**CITY OF WASHOUGAL
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
MINUTES
Monday, August 14, 2023
5:00 PM**

MEETING INFORMATION

Please click the link below to join the webinar:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81002765774>

VIDEO I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stuebe called the meeting to order at 5:03.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor David Stuebe, and Councilmembers Janice Killion, Molly Coston, Julie Russell, Ernie Suggs, and David Fritz **Absent:** Councilmembers Michelle Wagner

Staff:

David Scott, City Manager
Daniel Layer, Finance Director/City Clerk
Mitch Kneipp, Community Development Director
Wendi Steinbronn, Police Chief
Monie Holmes, Assistant Finance Director
Rose Jewell, Community Engagement Manager

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Larry Keister and David Ripp commented on the safety issues at the July 4th fireworks display. Due to these concerns the port decided not to host fireworks in the future.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

VIDEO A. City Manager's Office: Port of Camas/Washougal Solar Program

David Scott and David Ripp presented the following:

- Introduction and project background
- Clark Public Utility (CPU) will be managing the contract
- The Port will provided the buildings
- Public Partners include the Washougal School District, City of Camas, and the Port
- System Size and design
- One building is reserved for government customers
- Customer participation overview
- Residential costs
- Business and Government - range of pricing options per units
- Savings and tax reduction

David Scott recommended the city partner with CPU's installation on the Port's five buildings. CPU will own the panels, port owns the building, and partners will purchase shares resulting in a lower electrical bill and a 30% credit.

- Sales begin September 1st
- This is a 12 year return on investment
- There are a limited number of shares available
- The city manager can enter into the interlocal agreement for the 17K since it is within the 50K threshold

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B. Community Development: Town Center Residential Parking Regulations

Mitch Kneipp presented the following:

- Councilmember Wagner, thru David Scott, forwarded her support of the planning commission's recommendation.
- The Planning Commission recommended the following changes for town center parking regulations change:
 - 1 stall studio units
 - 1.5 stalls per 1 bedroom units
 - 2 stalls for 2+ bedroom units
 - 1 stall per senior unit
- Staff recommended setting the public hearing for August 28th through the approval of the consent agenda
- Development application timelines and vesting was discussed

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C. Finance: 2023 2nd Quarter Update

Daniel Layer presented the following:

- 2023 Financial Summary - Revenue, Expenses, and Expenditures
 - General & Street Funds
 - Utility Funds
 - All Funds
 - Debit service
- LGIP - Investment Update and current interest rates
- Bonds/Treasury Notes - Investment Update

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

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VI. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS: Events where a quorum of the council may present: August 12, 2023 WACA Art Festival and August 12, 19, and 26, 2023 Movie Nights in Reflection Plaza

A. CITY MANAGER

David Scott introduced a book authored by the Halversons. He reviewed his schedule for the next two weeks.

Chief Steinbronn gave an update on her and Captain Freschette's recent professional training and accomplishments.

B. MAYOR

Mayor Stuebe reported on the following:

- The passing of Greg Thornton, former Mayor of LaCenter
- Retired community members interested in volunteering

C. CITY COUNCIL

Councilmember Russell gave an update from the ECHO committee and a code compliance issue regarding an auto repair place near the river.

David Scott provided an update from the code compliance division and its aesthetic program efforts.

Councilmember Coston commented on the mosquito control spraying in Washougal, WACA Art Festival, Songcraft Festival, and writers institute.

Councilmember Suggs reported that the EMS For Committee submitted its statement to the county for the voters pamphlet. **David Scott** explained the fact sheet that will be shared after Labor Day.

Councilmember Fritz recalled a conversation while on a recent trip where the Washougal Motocross was know; so he requested a tour of the track to learn more. He discussed the numerous organizations utilizing the Outpost and commented on the Chamber Mixer, WACA Art Festival, new businesses downtown, movie night in the plaza, and the Two Rivers Heritage Museum tour.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:41.

David Stuebe

Mayor

Daniel Loyer

City Clerk