ROLL CALL was answered by Councilmembers Barry, Collins, Lillquist, Perrie, Savidge, Sowards and Mayor Bassett.

Others present were City Manager Barkley; City Attorney Pidduck; City Clerk Reno; Energy Services Director Titus; Assistant Fire Chief Elliott, Library Director Kline; Executive Assistant Gigstead; Daily Record Reporter Muir; and approximately four members of the audience.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Approve agenda. Barry

Affirmed

CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed under the Consent Agenda were distributed to Councilmembers in advance for study and were enacted by one motion with separate discussion to the extent any items were removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of a Councilmember.

Approve the Consent Agenda as follows: Barry

A. Approve Minutes – August 26, 2002, Special Session

Approve Minutes – September 3, 2002, Regular Session

B. Acknowledge Minutes of Boards and Commissions

(1) Downtown Task Force – July 16, 2002

(2) Downtown Task Force – August 6, 2002

Library Board – August 13, 2002

Arts Commission – August 20, 2002

Cable Television Commission – August 21, 2002

C. Reject all Bids for Bid Call 2002-33 - Sewer Reconstruction Between Fourth and Fifth Avenues and Water and Kittitas Streets
D. Approve Request to Hang Banner over Eighth Avenue for United Way of Kittitas County from October 1 – October 31, 2002

E. Approve Request to Hang Banner over Eighth Avenue for Welcome Back Weekend from September 19 – 26, 2002

F. Approve use of Rotary Pavilion and Waiver of Noise Ordinance for Jazz in the Valley on July 25-27, 2003

G. Approve use of Public Safety Building Parking Lot on October 5, 2002 for Manastash Metric Bicycle Tour

H. Approve Request from United Way for use of Irene Rinehart Riverfront Park for AT*WA*NA River Run on October 19, 2002 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

I. Approve Closure of Pine Street between Third and Fourth Avenues on September 25, 2002 from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the Annual CWU Welcome Back Barbecue

J. Approve Requests from Hospice Friends for “Tree of Love” Holiday Fundraiser from December 6, 2002 to January 2, 2003


LETTER FROM JANSEN DISTRIBUTING CO., INC. RE: SALE OF WIPPEL PARK

Ralph Smith, Jansen Distributing Co., Inc. is asking the City of Ellensburg to sell Wippel Park property to Jansen Distributing Co., Inc.

Send a letter to Mr. Smith informing him at this time that the City has no interest in disposing of the property. Affirmed

LETTER FROM CENTRAL WASHINGTON HOME BUILDERS ASSOCIATION RE: DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Ellen Howe, Kittitas Chapter Coordinator of the Central Washington Home Builders Association, stated the association recommends the City form a development advisory committee to address development issues.

Direct staff to bring back framework for establishing a development advisory committee Perrie at the next meeting. Affirmed
LETTER FROM KITTITAS COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #1 RE: STREET NAMING AND ADDRESSING COMMITTEE

The Kittitas County Fire District #1 Commissioners and Chief declined Council’s invitation to be nominated for a position on the Street Naming and Addressing Committee.

Amend position to include a more general citizen in Fire District 1 area. Sowards

Affirmed

CITIZEN COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ISSUES

Ellen Howe stated the Central Washington Home Builders Association will be having a tour of homes this weekend.

ORDINANCE NO. 4335 – NATURAL GAS RATE ADJUSTMENT

The City Council conducted first reading of Ordinance No. 4335 to increase gas rates at its September 3, 2002 meeting. The rates would go into effect October 1, 2002.

Read for the second time, Ordinance No. 4335. Sowards


Adopt Ordinance No. 4335. Sowards

Barry (Yes)
Collins (Yes)
Lillquist (Yes)
Perrie (Yes)
Savidge (Yes)
Sowards (Yes)
Bassett (Yes)

Motion approved.

PRELIMINARY STUDY AND DISCUSSION ON SECOND FIRE STATION
Fire Chief Schmidt has prepared a report on the location and justification for a second municipal fire station in the North Ellensburg area.

City Manager Barkley stated the study concluded that a second fire station is needed. The proposed location that has been discussed is in the vicinity of the corner of Airport and Helena. Staff has been having discussions with Central Washington University (CWU) about the property that the University owns in that vicinity regarding potential uses as a fire station and other uses such as a park and community meeting room. The acquisition of property from the University could possibly be negotiated as an offset against money due the City as part of the fire services agreement. This could be explored to see if a package could be brought to the City Council and CWU Board of Trustees.

Assistant Fire Chief Elliott reviewed the preliminary study on the Ellensburg Fire Station #2. Staff is requesting direction as to changes in the draft study document and additional information needed and the possible establishment of a timeline for construction phases.

City to pursue purchasing or acquiring land for a second fire station. Sowards

Affirmed

Authorize mayor to sign a letter of appreciation to the Fire Chief for the report. Perrie

Affirmed

Authorize City Manager to enter into negotiations with CWU for property contemplated Sowards for a future fire station. Affirmed

MANAGER’ S REPORT

Public Hearings

Set a public hearing on October 7, 2002 for the 2003 Budget revenue estimates. Bassett

Affirmed

Set a public hearing on October 21, 2002 for a request from David Wright to change the Perrie zoning on a portion of property located at the southeast corner of 14th Avenue and B Street from Residential Suburban to Residential Office. Affirmed

Use of City Flag

Staff has received requests from local businesses wishing to purchase flags with the City’s new logo at cost from the City.
Council requested staff bring back a proposed policy regarding use of these flags.

COUNCILMEMBERS’ REPORTS

Airport Advisory Committee
Councilmember Collins reported on issues at the airport.

Swimming Pool Users Forum
Councilmember Lillquist attended the swimming pool users forum.

Salmon Recovery Board
Councilmember Lillquist reported on the last Salmon Recovery Board meeting.

EMS Board
Councilmember Lillquist reported on the last EMS Board meeting.

Kittitas County Action Council (KCAC) Board
Councilmember Savidge reported on the last KCAC Board meeting.

KITTCOM Board
Councilmember Sowards reported on the last KITTCOM Board meeting.

September 11 Ceremonies
Mayor Bassett attended three September 11 ceremonies.

ADJOURN Adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Barry

Affirmed

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk