ROLL CALL was answered by Councilmembers Bassett, Carlson, Collins, Lillquist, O’ Brien, Perrie, and Mayor Barry.

Others present were City Manager Barkley; City Attorney Pidduck; Fire Chief Elliott; Energy Services Director Titus; Parks and Recreation Director Case; Deputy Clerk Keno; and fifteen members of the audience.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Approve agenda. Carlson

Councilmember O’ Brien requested Item 5.I. “Approve Noise Waiver Application for the Skate Park at 2nd and Pearl on March 24, 2005 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. be moved to Item 6.A.

Approve agenda as amended. 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 Amended Consent Agenda as follows: Bassett

A. Approve Minutes – February 25, 2005, Special Session

Approve Minutes – March 7, 2005, Regular Session

B. Acknowledge Minutes of Boards and Commissions


Library Board – February 8, 2005

Adult Activity Center Advisory Board – February 8, 2005

Cable Television Commission – February 16, 2005
C. Approve Request to Hang Banner over University Way for the Power of One:

LGBT Leadership Conference from April 18-25, 2005

D. Authorize Mayor to Sign Facility Rental Agreement with Kittitas Valley Memorial Hospital

E. Accept Bid Call 2003-05 – Library/Hal Holmes Construction Project as Complete

F. Accept Bid Call 2004-19 – Electrical Distribution Transformers As Complete

G. Accept Bid Call 2004-08 – Kittitas Valley Memorial Pool and Fitness Center HVAC Repair Project as

Complete and Approve Change Order

H. Accept Bid Call 2004-10 – Electrical Vaults as Complete

I. Approve Request to use Irene Rinehart Riverfront Park on October 15-16, 2005 for the RC Hydroplane Race

J. Authorize Relinquishment of Original Easement and Accept New Easements for Diamond Homes at

2500

N. Water Street

K. Approve Agreement with Kittitas County Fire District #1 for Ambulance Back– up

L. Approve March 21, 2005 Claims Fund Check Numbers 70464, 70465 and 70648 Through 70884 in

the Total Amount of $1,192,401.35; March 21, 2005 Payroll Fund Check Numbers 60141 Through

60362 in the Total Amount of $272,679.13 and Direct Deposit in the Amount of $89,932.20.

Councilmember Perrie recused himself from voting on the Consent Agenda.

Affirmed

APPROVE NOISE WAIVER APPLICATION FOR THE SKATE PARK AT 2ND AND PEARL ON

MARCH 24, 2005 FROM 1:30 P.M. TO 4:30 P.M.

The Youth Center is requesting a noise waiver for an event at the Ellensburg Skate Park, 2nd and

Pearl Streets, on March 24, 2005 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. which will feature DJ music. Staff

supports the request. The noise waiver applies only to the Skate Park property.

Grant noise waiver application for March 24, 2005. Bassett

Affirmed

ORDINANCE NO. 4409 – REQUEST BY MIKE BRUNNER FOR VACATION OF A PORTION OF
11TH AVENUE

The proposed ordinance vacates a portion of 11Th Avenue east of Willow Street. Council gave Ordinance No. 4409 first reading at the March 7, 2005 meeting.

**Read for the second time and adopt Ordinance No. 4409.** Carlson

An ordinance vacating a portion of 11th Avenue east of Willow Street located in the southwest quarter of Section 36, Township 18 North, Range 18 East, W.M. in the City of Ellensburg, Kittitas County, Washington.

Vote on motion. Bassett (yes)
Carlson (yes)
Collins (yes)
Lillquist (yes)
O’ Brien (yes)
Perrie (yes)
Barry (yes)

Motion approved.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2005-09— SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE OF WATER METERS**

The proposed resolution names Badger Meter, Inc. as the City’s sole source supplier for the purchase of water meters to continue operational efficiencies in the City’s Water Division.

Adopt Resolution No. 2005-09 naming Badger Meter, Inc. as a sole source for the purchase of new and replacement water meters. Affirmed

**RESOLUTION NO. 2005-10 – SURPLUS AND DONATION OF 1959 MORIS PARADE CAR**

The proposed resolution declares a converted 1959 Moris parade car as surplus and donates it to Kittitas County Fire District #2. The car is currently stored at a Kittitas County Fire District #2 station.

Approve Resolution 2005-10. Carlson

An audience member questioned why the car is being surplused if it will be ultimately turned over to a
private party. Council requested more information on the car’s disposition with Fire District #2.

Motion withdrawn. Carlson

Postpone item to April 4 agenda. Carlson

Council requested a representative of Fire District #2 attend the April 4, 2005 meeting.

Vote on motion. Affirmed

**ADDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS TO COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ADVISORY PANEL**

The following additional individuals have applied to serve on the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Panel: Mitch Williams w/Steve Willard as alternate, Mike Cole, Jani Niner, Jim Armstrong, David Wheeler and Larry Nickel. Additionally, letters from Derek Lutz and Steve Willard requesting appointment were distributed to Council before the meeting.

Mayor Barry recommends the following additional appointments: Mitch Williams, Mike Cole, Jani Niner, Jim Armstrong, David Wheeler, Derek Lutz and Steve Willard.

Appoint Mayor’s recommendations. Carlson

Affirmed

Close appointments to the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Panel. O’Brien

Affirmed

**AWARD BID CALL 2005-01 – SUBSTATION POWER TRANSFORMER**

Bids were solicited for a substation power transformer to add capacity to the Dolarway Substation. Seven bids were received and evaluated by staff with the lowest evaluated bid of $454,599 coming from Kuhlman Corporation of Versailles, Kentucky. Staff recommends awarding the bid to Kuhlman Corporation.

Award Bid Call 2005-01 to Kuhlman Corporation. Carlson

Affirmed

**WEST ELLensburg PARK BASEBALL FIELD DEDICATION**

Community members have requested by letter and signatures of support that the new baseball field at West Ellensburg Park be named “Leon Sigler Field” in honor of Mr. Sigler’s many years of dedication to youth baseball in Ellensburg. The Ellensburg School District and the Parks & Recreation
Commission support the request. There is currently no policy or procedure on naming fields or parks in the City.

An audience member spoke in favor of the dedication.

Name the new baseball diamond after Leon Sigler and officially call it “Leon Sigler Field”. Perrie Affirmed

Ask the Parks & Recreation Commission to come up with some type of criteria for naming Bassett future parks or trails or portions of parks. Affirmed

**MANAGER’ S REPORT**

**West Bender Road Annexation – Public Hearing Cancelled**

Petitioners Patrick Lilly, Cathie Day, and Richard and Patricia Fisher request the April 4, 2005 public hearing date be cancelled to allow them time to pursue a zone change through Kittitas County. The proposed annexation area is located in the Airport Overlay (AO) Zone 3, Inner Turning Zone. The AO Zone 3 requires that upon the parcels’ annexation into the City, the maximum density allowed is based on Kittitas County zoning in place at the time.

Cancel the April 4, 2005 public hearing on the West Bender Road Annexation as Carlson requested by Petitioners. Affirmed

**Real Estate Excise Tax**

The City currently collects a 0.25% real estate excise tax on the sale of real property. As part of an emergent need to provide additional capital funding, Council has discussed the possibility of increasing this tax to 0.50%, as currently permitted by statute. Staff has learned that the time clock on proposed legislation under consideration in Olympia to provide additional opportunities has run out and the legislation will not be considered this year.

**City Manager Out of Town**

The City Manager will be out of town March 24-25 and March 30-April 1, 2005.

**Complaint Re: Lack of Public Access at the Upper River Bridge**

Before the meeting staff distributed to Council a letter from Gordon Blossom questioning the installation of no trespassing signs and concrete barriers at the Upper River Bridge which bar public access to the Yakima River. Staff will research the inquiry.

**Permanent Council Meeting Location Change**
This is the last Council meeting in the Council Chambers at 102 N. Pearl Street. Council will begin meeting in the new Council Chambers at 501 N. Anderson on April 4, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. A notice of the location change will be published in the Daily Record.

COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

Report on Meetings

Councilmember Bassett attended the first Comprehensive Plan Update meeting.

Councilmember Carlson attended a Law & Justice Committee meeting.

Councilmember Collins attended an Airport Advisory Board meeting.

Councilmember Lillquist attended the Comprehensive Plan Advisory meeting.

Councilmember O’ Brien attended a KITTCOM Advisory Board Meeting.

Councilmember Perrie attended the Comprehensive Plan Update meeting.

Mayor Barry attended an RTPO Quad Co. meeting and the Comprehensive Plan Update meeting.

RECESS

Council recessed to closed meeting at 8:14 p.m. to discuss labor negotiations. It was announced that no action would be taken following conclusion of the closed meeting.

RECONVENE

Council returned to regular open meeting at 8:29 p.m.

ADJOURN Adjourn at 8:29 p.m. Carlson

Affirmed

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Mayor

ATTEST: ______________________________ City Clerk