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

Others present were Acting City Manager Akers; City Attorney Pidduck; City Clerk Reno; Energy Services Director Titus; Executive Assistant Gigstead; Parks and Recreation Director Case; and four members of the audience.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Approve agenda with the removal of Item 5.C – Approve the final Brooksfield Plat. Carlson

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: Carlson

A. Approve Minutes – July 5, 2005, Regular Session

B. Acknowledge Minutes of Boards and Commissions

(1) Board of Adjustment – March 31, 2005

(2) Library Board – June 14, 2005

C. Accept Resignation from Connie Webb, Lodging Tax Advisory Committee and Authorize Mayor to Sign Letter of Appreciation

D. Approve Request from Farmer’s Market to Close Fourth Avenue Between Pearl Street and Pine Street on July 30, 2005 from 1:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

E. Approve July 18, 2005 Claims Fund Voucher Numbers 72420 Through 72624 in the Total Amount of $771,008.87; Payroll Fund Check Numbers 62073, 62305 Through 62248, 62369 in the Total Amount of $318,065.07; and Direct Deposit in the Amount of $88,339.49. Affirmed
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Barry recommended Conni Bess and Chandra Hill be appointed to the Arts Commission.

Approve the Mayor’s appointments. Perrie

Affirmed

CITIZEN COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ISSUES

Gene Camarata spoke about several issues.

Andrew Vandenhoek, Director of Community Affairs for Associated Students of Central Washington University, spoke about the Residential Parking Zone near Muzzall Hall and Courson Conference Center.

Include this issue on the next regular agenda with a staff report. Perrie

Affirmed

ORDINANCE NO. 4416 – REFUND POLICY FOR PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The proposed ordinance would establish policies and procedures for the manner in which the Parks and Recreation Department administers refunds for department sponsored programs, activities and events.

Read for the first time, Ordinance No. 4416. Carlson

An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Ellensburg, Washington relating to Chapter 2.34 Parks and Recreation Facilities Rules and Regulations; establishing a refund policy for activities, programs and events; and adding a new Section 2.34.34. Affirmed

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-20 - WALNUT CIRCLE VACATION – SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE

The proposed resolution sets a public hearing date of August 15, 2005 to consider a request for the vacation of Walnut Circle.

Accept the petition and adopt Resolution No. 2005-20. Carlson

Affirmed

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-21 – SURPLUS FIRE HOSE

The proposed resolution declares fire hose as surplus property and allows the City to donate the hose to the City of Kittitas Fire Department.

CONTRACT WITH AVISTA ENERGY INC. FOR PURCHASE, SALE AND MANAGEMENT OF GAS SUPPLY

Staff issued a Request for Proposals for gas management services several months ago and received responses from six firms. After reviewing the responses and conducting interviews with three firms, it has been determined that Avista Energy, Inc. is the best qualified firm to supply gas management services.

Authorize the Mayor to sign the Base Agreement and Exhibit B with Avista Energy, Inc. Carlson

Affirmed

MANAGER'S REPORT

Meter Reader Staffing

Approve the re-staffing of the second full-time meter reader position. Carlson Affirmed

Loss Control Grant from Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Risk Management Pool

Accept the AWC Risk Management Grant in the amount of $1,000. Bassett

Affirmed

Part-Time Help in Administration

Add a part-time assistant in the Administration Offices. Bassett

Affirmed

Cancel Public Hearing

Cancel the August 1, 2005 public hearing for the Meadows Preliminary Plat. Carlson

Affirmed

COUNCILMEMBERS’ REPORTS

Councilmember Bassett attended the National Guard Ceremony and a Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee meeting. He requested that the Mayor make an appointment to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee at the August 1, 2005 meeting.

Councilmember Carlson stated she resigned from the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Board. Also, she will be applying for Leadership Ellensburg.
Councilmember Carlson gave a presentation on her attendance at Fire OPS 101 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Councilmember Collins attended the National Guard Ceremony.

Councilmember Lillquist is resigning from the Emergency Medical Services Board. Councilmember Carlson was appointed to the Board. Councilmember Lillquist attended the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee meeting.

Councilmember O’Brien attended the KITTCOM Board meeting and will be applying for Leadership Ellensburg.

Councilmember Perrie requested structured guidelines for citizen comment on non-agenda issues.

Mayor Barry attended the National Guard Ceremony, a Fire District 2 meeting, and a Quad County meeting.

RECESS

Council recessed to executive session at 8:23 p.m. to discuss possible real estate acquisition for approximately five minutes.

ADJOURN Adjourn at 8:27 p.m. Carlson

Affirmed

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Mayor

ATTEST: __________________________ City Clerk