CITY OF ELLENSBURG
Minutes of Council Meeting, Regular Session
February 20, 2007

Date of Meeting
February 20, 2007
Time of Meeting
7:00 p.m.
Place of Meeting
Council Chambers, 501 North Anderson Street

Approve excused absence for Councilmember Bassett. Lillquist Affirmed

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

Others present were City Manager Barkley; City Attorney Pidduck; City Clerk Reno; Executive Assistant Gigstead; Associate Planner Eyerly; Community Development Director Witkowski; Public Works Director Akers; Parks and Recreation Director Case; and approximately 35 members of the audience.

Agenda Approval

Change agenda to move 11.C - Pre-Annexation Agreement between the City and Kittitas County Carlson

Fire District No. 2 to 11.A. Affirmed

Approve agenda as amended. 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 - January 22, 2007, Special Session

Approve Minutes - February 5, 2007, Regular Session

B. Acknowledge Minutes of Boards and Commissions

(1) Environmental Commission - November 15, 2006

(2) Landmarks & Design Commission - January 16, 2007

(3) Planning Commission - February 8, 2007

C. Approve Street Closure Application from Yakima Hard Core Runners Club to Close Berry Road
east of Canyon Road to Bull Road on March 31, 2007 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. for
the Yakima River Canyon Marathon

D. Authorize City Manager to Execute the Financial Support Agreement with HopeSource for
Public Transportation for Low-Income Citizens

E. Accept Bid Call 2006-25 - Cascade Way (University Way) Bridge Replacement Project as
Complete

F. Authorize City Manager to Sign the Agreement with Bureau Veritas, Inc. for Building Plan Review
Services

G. Authorize the Purchase of Electric Meters through May of 2007 Based on the Bid Awarded
to General Pacific at the May 1, 2006 City Council Meeting as long as the amount of such
Purchases are Covered by Funds Approved in the 2007 Budget

H. Approve February 20, 2007 Claims Fund Voucher Numbers 81642 Through 81849 in the Total
Amount of $686,932.83; Electronic Fund Transfer in the Amount of $6,028.25; Payroll Fund Check
Numbers 69221 Through 69345 in the Total Amount of $141,264.68; and Direct Deposit in the amount
of $112,171.59. Affirmed

Memorandum from Ellensburg Downtown Association (EDA) Parking Task Force Regarding
Parking Time Limits

At the November meeting, the EDA Parking Task Force recommended that parking time limits be
revised in the City's parking lot adjacent to the new restrooms at Third and Main Street. The Task
Force has recommended that the two hour parking restriction be revised to provide two 15 minute
stalls with the balance of the parking designated for all day unrestricted use.

Direct staff to prepare an ordinance for the parking lot time limit changes. Barry Affirmed

Communication from Planning Commission Regarding Action Taken at February 8, 2007
Meeting

At the February 8, 2007 meeting, the Planning Commission moved to recommend that City Council
direct staff to re-evaluate 12th Avenue between 'B' Street and Main Street for designation as a one-
way street westbound from 'B' Street.

Direct staff to take a look at the recommendation by the Planning Commission. Perrie Affirmed

Ordinance No. 4470 - Simpson Annexation Request at 806 Sanders Road
Council gave Ordinance No. 4470 for the Simpson annexation request first reading at its February 5, 2007 meeting.

Read for the second time and adopt Ordinance No. 4470. Carlson

An ordinance annexing certain territory to the City of Ellensburg, Washington, and assigning Residential Suburban (R-S) and Residential High (R-H) zoning classifications. Barry (yes) Barry (yes) Carlson (yes) Lillquist (yes) Niner (yes) Perrie (yes) O'Brien (yes)

Motion approved.

Ordinance No. 4471 - Prather Zone Change Request - 609 Wenas Street

At the February 5, 2007 meeting, Council gave first reading to Ordinance No. 4471 that enacts the Prather Zone Change.

Read for the second time and adopt Ordinance No. 4471. Perrie

An ordinance relating to zoning and amending Title 13 of the Ellensburg City Code by changing the zoning classification of certain property within the City of Ellensburg from Industrial Heavy (I-H) to Residential Office (R-O) classification. Barry (yes) Carlson (yes) Lillquist (yes) Niner (yes) Perrie (yes) O'Brien (yes)

Motion approved.

Proposed Ordinance - Ellensburg City Code Adoption

The proposed ordinance adopts the recodification and republication of the Ellensburg City Code by Code Publishing, Inc. of Seattle, Washington and amends Chapter 1.01 to adopt this recodification.

Read for the first time, Ordinance No. 4472. Carlson

An ordinance amending Chapter 1.01 of the Ellensburg City Code, relating to the adoption of the Ellensburg City Code. Affirmed

Proposed Resolution for Findings, Conclusions, and Decision Supporting the Northwest Audiology Zone Change and Proposed Ordinance Enacting the Zone Change

The proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Decision support the Council's February 5, 2007 decision approving the Northwest Audiology Zone Change request from R-L to R-O. The proposed ordinance enacts the zone change.

Adopt Resolution No. 2007-08. Carlson Affirmed

Read for the first time, Ordinance No. 4473. Carlson
An ordinance relating to zoning and amending Title 13 of the Ellensburg City Code by changing the zoning classification of certain property within the City of Ellensburg from Residential Low Density (R-L) to Residential Office (R-O) classification. Affirmed

**Proposed Resolution - Set Hearing Date for Cascade Street and Alley Vacation Request**

The proposed resolution sets March 19, 2007 as a public hearing date to consider vacation of the East 20 ft. of Cascade Street between Seventh and Eighth Avenues and the alley located East of Cascade Street between Seventh and Railroad Avenues except for the South 50 ft.

Adopt Resolution No. 2007-09. Perrie Affirmed

**Railroad Depot Acquisition - System Enhancement Grant**

Staff has been in discussions with the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF) over lease conditions in advance of acquisition of the Depot building. The City Attorney has developed lease assignment language to limit the City's liability upon transfer of ownership to Historic Ellensburg.

Move forward with the acquisition and authorize the Mayor, City Manager, and City Attorney O'Brien to execute all documents necessary to complete the acquisition and secure the ground lease. Affirmed

**Pre-annexation Agreement between the City of Ellensburg and Kittitas County Fire District No. 2**

The proposed agreement provides for the terms and conditions of the annexation approved by the voters last fall. In accordance with the provisions of the ballot measure, the agreement is effective retroactive to January 1, 2007.

Approve the pre-annexation agreement and authorize the Mayor to execute it on behalf of the City. Carlson Affirmed

**Northwest Area Annexation - Set Annexation Area**

Staff has prepared maps and reports which are intended to assist the Council in delineating the area to be considered for annexation. Once an annexation area is set, the matter will be considered by the City's Planning Commission at a future meeting and then the City Council at a future public hearing. If approved, the annexation will be forwarded to the County's Boundary Review Board for final review and action.

The following property owners spoke in opposition to the proposed annexation area:
Owners of 909 West 15th; owner of 100 Trail View Lane; owner of 114 Dry Creek; owner of 2141 Reecer Creek Road; owner of 290 Oasis; owner of 1509 Dry Creek; owner of 250 Oasis; and owner of 3125 Dry Creek.

Greg Newhall, applicant for annexation, stated he is still interested in annexing his property even if the other property owners don't want to annex their property.

1) Confirm the City’s intent to annex and set the annexation area under consideration as those parcels Carlson

whose parcel numbers are contained in Exhibit ‘A’ and depicted on the map shown as Exhibit ‘B’ City of Ellensburg Proposed Annexation Area.

2) Require the property's use to comply with the City's Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code.

3) Require the assumption of the parcel's share of City indebtedness and any LID or public utility installation costs in which they did not originally participate.

4) Consider zoning for the property in the annexation area in a manner as depicted on the map shown as Exhibit 'B' City of Ellensburg Proposed Annexation Area.

5) Refer the petition to the Planning Commission for review and recommendation at its next regular meeting.

Affirmed (Niner-no)

Council took a brief recess at 9:52 p.m. and returned at 10:00 p.m.

**West Ellensburg Trail Proposal**

A group of private landowners have approached the City about constructing a trail that would connect the John Wayne Trail to the City owned West Ellensburg Park property. At this time, staff would like to introduce the project to the Council and ask that the Council provide direction to staff as to how to proceed with the project.

Maggie Potter, representing the property owners along the proposed trail alignment, gave a presentation regarding the proposed trail.

Direct staff to move forward with the project, working with the property owners and Carlson others involved and, if appropriate, bring back a resolution to Council for consideration. Affirmed

**MANAGER’S REPORT**

**Request to Set Public Hearings**
Set a public hearing on March 5, 2007 to declare property on Naneum Road as surplus for the Carlson reconstruction of Naneum Creek Bridge by Kittitas County. Affirmed

Set a public hearing on March 5, 2007 to declare property surplus located on University Way Carlson west of Alder Street and adjacent to the Fairgrounds. Affirmed

**ADJOURN** Adjourn at 10:39 p.m. Carlson Affirmed

________________________________  Mayor

ATTEST: ____________________________

City Clerk