Roll Call Present: Herion, Miller, Morgan, Scheffer, Tabb and Elliott.

Absent: Lillquist

Motion to approve an excused absence for Councilmember Lillquist. Scheffer

Affirmed

Others present were City Manager Akers; City Attorney Weiner; City Clerk Reno; Executive Assistant Gigstead; Community Development Director Sackett; and approximately 10 members of the audience.

Agenda Approval

Motion to approve the agenda. Tabb

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.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: Tabb

A. Approve Minutes – December 7, 2015, Regular Meeting
B. Acknowledge Minutes of Boards and Commissions
(1) Environmental Commission – October 21, 2015
(2) Lodging Tax Advisory Committee – November 2, 2015
(3) Utility Advisory Committee – October 13, 2015
C. Authorize Amendment of the 2015-32 Pay Plan Resolution to include the IT Application Specialist Position and Salary Range of $4,421-$5,895 per month
D. Authorize the City Manager to Execute the Local Agency Standard Supplemental Consultant Agreement Number 1 with Perteet Inc. for a Time Extension for the ADA Compliance Self-Evaluation Assistance
E. Authorize the City Manager to Sign the Interlocal Jail Agreement with Kittitas County
F. Authorize Mayor and Staff to Execute any and all Necessary State Paperwork Associated with the Capitol Avenue Pedestrian Improvements and the 7th Avenue Bike Boulevard Projects

G. Authorize the Mayor to sign the *Fourth Amendment to the Non-Exclusive Communications Lease Agreement with New Cingular Wireless Dba AT&T for Cell Site*

H. Approve December 21, 2015 Claims Fund Voucher Numbers 126364 Through 126609 in the Amount of $657,163.84, ACH Direct Payments in the Amount of 2,558,053.34, Payroll Fund Check Numbers 91044 Through 91107 in the Total Amount of $66,191.86, Direct Deposit in the Amount of $242,578.38, and Electronic Fund Transfer of $4,075.00. Affirmed

**Presentation on Transit Study and Discussion of Next Steps**

Councilmember Tabb, Chair of Public Transit Advisory Committee, gave a presentation on the Transit Study. Council asked questions and requested staff bring back a resolution to place a ballot measure before the voters for a local sustainable funding source for public transit.

**Boards and Commissions Appointments**

Mayor Elliott recommended Lee Honeycutt be appointed to the Utility Advisory Committee.

Motion to confirm the Mayor’s appointment. Morgan

Affirmed

**Ordinance No. 4719 - Assumption of the Ellensburg Transportation Benefit District**

Council gave Ordinance No. 4719 for assumption of the Ellensburg Transportation Benefit District first reading at the December 7, 2015 meeting.

**Motion for second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 4719.** Morgan

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELLENSBURG, WASHINGTON, ASSUMING THE RIGHTS, POWERS, FUNCTIONS, IMMUNITIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE ELLENSBURG TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT DISTRICT (TBD), AMENDING SECTION 1.82.030 OF THE ELLENSBURG CITY CODE.

Vote on motion. Herion (yes)

Miller (yes)

Morgan (yes)
Ordinance No. 4720 - Comprehensive Plan Amendments

Council gave Ordinance No. 4720 for Comprehensive Plan amendments first reading at the December 7, 2015 meeting.

Motion for second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 4720. Scheffer

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELLENSBURG, WASHINGTON AMENDING THE ELLENSBURG CITY CODE RELATING TO PLANNING AND AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 3997 AS LAST AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 4688 AND SET OUT IN CHAPTER 15.120 OF THE ELLENSBURG CITY CODE.

Vote on motion. Herion (yes)

Miller (yes)

Morgan (yes)

Scheffer (yes)

Tabb (yes)

Elliott (yes)

Motion approved.

Ordinance No. 4721 – Dissolve the Cable Television Commission

The proposed ordinance would dissolve the Cable Television Commission. Council gave Ordinance No. 4721 first reading at the December 7, 2015 meeting.

Motion for second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 4721. Morgan

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELLENSBURG, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO DISSOLUTION OF THE CABLE TV FRANCHISE COMMISSION, AND REPEALING CHAPTER 1.52 OF THE ELLENSBURG CITY CODE.

Vote on motion. Herion (yes)
Proposed Resolution in Support of John Wayne Pioneer Trail

The proposed resolution expresses the City’s support for the preservation, maintenance and improvement of the John Wayne Pioneer Trail.

Motion for adoption of Resolution No. 2015-35. Scheffer
Affirmed

Proposed Resolution – Allocation of 2016 Lodging Tax Funds

The proposed resolution adopts the award funding in the amount of $29,943 from the 2016 City Lodging Tax Budget.

Motion for adoption of Resolution No. 2015-36. Miller
Affirmed

Proposed Resolution to Declare Fire Pole and Fire Bell Surplus Property and Authorize its Transfer to Kittitas Valley Fire & Rescue (KVFR)

The proposed resolution declares as surplus the fire pole and fire bell at the KVFR and authorizes its transfer to KVFR.

Motion for adoption of Resolution No. 2015-37. Scheffer
Affirmed

Authorize the Mayor to Execute the Professional Services Agreement with Ellensburg Business Development Authority for 2016

The proposed agreement is for Ellensburg Business Development Authority professional services.

Motion to amend Schedule A, Item 5, second bullet to arrange for sale of Dolarway Tabb
Road properties and if a licensed real estate broker is utilized, the commission should not exceed 6%. Affirmed

Motion to authorize the Mayor to execute the amended Professional Services Scheffer Agreement with Ellensburg Business Development Authority for 2016. Affirmed

**Comprehensive Revision of Personnel Policies**

The personnel policies need to be updated.

Motion to approve the revised personnel policies. Morgan

Affirmed

**Manager’s Report**

**Set Public Hearing**

Motion to set a public hearing on January 4, 2016 to consider amending the Six-Year Scheffer Transportation Improvement Plan. Affirmed

**Councilmembers’ Reports**

Councilmember Tabb reported on the downtown group.

Councilmember Scheffer requested a report to Council on how the consolidated lodging tax process is working and include revenues, budget, and allocations.

Councilmember Morgan reported on the Library Board.

Councilmember Miller reported on the Homeless and Affordable Housing Committee and the Law and Justice Council meetings.

Mayor Elliott reported that the County Commissioners approved the increased EMS funding. He also stated a memorandum from the Environmental Commission regarding a ban on plastic bags will be considered at the January 4, 2016 meeting.

**Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn at 7:36 p.m. Scheffer

Affirmed

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ATTEST: __________________________

City Clerk

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