MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PULLMAN
OCTOBER 14, 2008

Roll Call

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Pullman was held on October 14, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, City Hall, Pullman, Washington with the following present:

Glenn A. Johnson	Mayor
Troy Woo	Finance Director
Francis Benjamin	Councilmember
Keith Bloom	Councilmember
Ann Heath	Councilmember
Bill Paul	Councilmember
Nathan Weller	Councilmember
Pat Wright	Councilmember

Call to Order

Mayor Johnson called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Mayor Johnson announced that Councilmember Waldrop would be arriving late to this meeting.

Announcements

Mayor Johnson made one announcement.

Report

2008 Goal Status

Mayor Johnson announced that a report is scheduled on the status of the 2008 goals. City Supervisor Sherman presented the staff report. Councilmember Heath asked when the Council should provide feedback for City Council Goal No. 14. City Supervisor Sherman responded.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approval of Recommendations of Consent Agenda Items

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Johnson reviewed the items on the Consent Agenda with the Council and audience. He stated that items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted by a single motion of the Council without separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda by Council request. Councilmember Paul moved, Councilmember Benjamin seconded to read the items on the Consent Agenda by title only.

Motion Carried.

City Attorney McAloon read the items on the Consent Agenda by title only. Mayor Johnson asked if there were any requests for removal of items from the Consent Agenda from either the Council or audience. There were none. Councilmember Wright moved, Councilmember Benjamin seconded to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion Carried.

Motions

Minutes - September 23, 2008 1.

The Council dispensed with the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of September 23, 2008, and approved them as submitted.	2.	
Accounts Payable, Payroll, and Electronic Transfers - October		The Council approved disbursements represented by accounts payable checks numbered _____ through _____ totaling $ inclusive, payroll checks numbered through _____ totaling $_____ inclusive, and electronic transfers totaling _____ and directed that they be paid upon approval of the Auditing Officer and Audit Committee.
Jackson-Kamiaken-Pioneer Sewer Change Order	3.	The Council ratified Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 08-18, Jackson-Kamiaken-Pioneer Sewer.
RV Park Sewer Change Order	4.	The Council ratified Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 08-12, RV Park Sewer.
Aquatic Center Painting Change Order	5.	The Council ratified Change Order No. 1 to Contract NO. 07-20, Aquatic Center Painting.
Bishop Blvd Sidewalk - Pro Mall South Complete	6.	The Council accepted as complete Contract No. 08-03, Bishop Blvd Sidewalk - Pro Mall, South.
North Grand Pavement Repair Complete	7.	The Council accepted as complete Contract No. 08-13, North Grand Pavement Repair.
McKenzie/Church Streets Sewer Replacement Complete	8.	The Council accepted as complete Contract No. 09-08, McKenzie/Church Street Sewer Replacement.
Claim for Damages - Carmona	9.	The Council referred a Claim for Damages submitted by Lionel Carmona for an undetermined amount to the Washington State Transit Insurance Pool (WSTIP).
D.A.R.E Agreement	10.	The Council authorized an intergovernmental agreement with the Pullman School District for the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) Program.

Resolution

Resolution No. R-86-08 - Master License Service Agreement	11.	Resolution No. R-86-08 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PULLMAN AND THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PARTICIPATING IN THE MASTER LICENSE SERVICE. Resolution No. R-86-08 was adopted unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA

Councilmember Waldrop arrived at this point in the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

Presentation

Pullman Progress Presentation	12.	Mayor Johnson introduced the Pullman Progress presentation.
Pullman School District		Paul Sturm, Pullman School District Superintendent, presented the School District's

progress presentation that included a description of City partnerships, enrollment statistics, budget, local tax support, Pullman School District capital projects, academics, student activities, and School District strategic planning. Mayor Johnson asked how many different languages are spoken by the students enrolled in the Pullman School District. Mr. Sturm and Assistant Superintendent Susana Reyes responded.

Pullman Regional Hospital

Scott Adams, CEO of Pullman Regional Hospital, presented the Hospital's progress presentation that included a description of the Hospital's growth and activities, future planning and expansion, the critical access designation, plans to address future needs, and an executive overview of the long-term planning for the Hospital. Councilmember Wright stated that she volunteers at the Hospital and serves as the vice president of the Hospital Auxiliary and expressed her appreciation of the positive attitude at the Hospital and that this is a tribute to the management and staff at the Hospital.

Councilmember Weller asked if there were any plans or any possibility to add an oral surgeon to the staff. Mr. Adams responded.

City of Pullman

Public Works Director Workman presented the City of Pullman progress presentation by describing completed and nearly completed projects, planned and future projects, and private sector projects. Councilmember Bloom asked if the old digesters at the Sewage Treatment Plant would be decommissioned or would they be used for additional capacity. Public Works Director Workman responded. Councilmember Weller thanked Public Works Director Workman and his staff for the sidewalk infill on Stadium Way and asked for a status report on the sidewalk repairs near Emerald Downs.

Councilmember Weller noted gang activity problems within the school district in Omak and the Tri-Cities and asked if there were gang activities in Pullman or if there were any concerns about gangs. Mr. Sturm responded.

Councilmember Benjamin expressed his appreciation for the School District's Internet Safety Program. Councilmember Paul noted that the Hospital presented the number of employees employed by the Hospital and asked how many employees are employed by the Pullman School District and the City of Pullman. Mr. Sturm and City Supervisor Sherman responded.

City Supervisor Sherman noted the new flag poles that were donated by Mayor Johnson and acknowledged that the Lawson Gardens pavers were donated by former Mayor Mitch Chandler.

Councilmember Benjamin noted the development that is occurring on the Fairbanks Property north of Pullman and asked if any activity should be expected on the Port of Whitman property in the same area. Public Works Director Workman and City Supervisor Sherman responded.

Councilmember Bloom asked if there were any plans or current activities to collect methane at the Sewage Treatment Plant to generate electricity or

to provide heat. Public Works Director Workman responded.

Ordinance

Ordinance No. 08-17 - Budget Amendment

13. Mayor Johnson announced that an ordinance had been prepared amending the 2008 budget. Finance Director Woo presented the staff report. There were no questions.

Ordinance No. 08-17 by title only reads as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 07-32 ADOPTED DECEMBER 4, 2007, AND ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF PULLMAN FOR THE YEAR 2008".

Councilmember Waldrop moved, Councilmember Bloom seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 08-17. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussions

ASWSU Agenda Items

14. Mayor Johnson announced that a discussion is scheduled on agenda items for the meeting with ASWSU. City Supervisor Sherman presented the staff report. Councilmember Waldrop suggested adding the WSU Rental Inspection, Cougar Choice, to the agenda. Councilmember Benjamin stated that the University District discussion should include specific presentations on the parking and design standards portions of the agreement. Pete Semon from ASWSU suggested the ASWSU energy savings efforts as a discussion item.

Current Economic Conditions

15. Mayor Johnson announced that a discussion is scheduled on current economic conditions. City Supervisor Sherman presented the staff report. Finance Director Woo presented a report on the third-quarter financial summary and made comments on the current economic conditions.

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items of new business.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Johnson adjourned the meeting at 9:47 p.m. to conduct an Executive Session on:

Conferring with legal counsel representing the City concerning potential litigation that has been specifically threatened to which the City, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party;

To consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase; and,

To discuss the strategy or position to be taken by the City during the course of collective bargaining or grievance proceedings.

Mayor Johnson announced that the Council would take a five-minutes recess and that the Executive Session would last approximately 45 minutes.

Mayor Johnson reconvened the meeting at 11:05 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Bloom moved, Councilmember Wright seconded to adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council.

Motion Carried.