

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 17, 2013 SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP  
City Hall, 135 East Johnson Avenue, Chelan, Washington

1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mayor Goedde (arrived at 6:37 p.m.), Councilmembers Cooney, Harper, Higgins, Isenhardt, McCardle, Morehouse, and Steele.

STAFF PRESENT: City Administrator Schmidt, City Clerk/Administrative Assistant Gallucci, Planning Director Gildroy, and Public Works Director Van Epps.

GRAY & OSBORNE: Project Engineers Jeff Stevens and Dave Van Cleve.

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. DISCUSS THE DESIGN AESTHETICS & FUNCTIONALITY OF PUBLIC PROJECTS: Mr. Van Epps provided a brief history regarding Lift Station No. 2. He explained the project had to be completed as the pipeline on the bottom of the lake was starting to fail and it was immediately upstream from the City's drinking water intake. He informed Council the pump station serves everyone on the south side of Lake Chelan and on a peak day 450,000 gallons of waste water run through the station. The location was selected as City owned the property, the right-of-way foot print did not require the City to purchase any additional property, and the previous lift station was already located there. Moving the location would cause the City to have to dig up the existing sewer lines which would entail tearing up the roads to remove them and then to lay new lines. The initial design included an underground pump station but as the project progressed, constraints dictated design changes including additional redundancy equipment required by the Department of Ecology in case of a power failure. Odor control design and equipment also added design constraints.

Councilmembers stated various concerns they have with the enclosure for the equipment including the visual impact, the size, and the noise from the odor control blower. Mr. Van Epps explained the size of the enclosure was necessary for security to protect the electrical panels, the generator and to allow vehicle access for repairs.

Councilmembers discussed various options to minimize the visual impact. Planting trees, creeping ivy, metal figures, signs, removing the red brick walls and putting up different fencing, creating holes in the walls, putting street lights matching the Woodin Avenue Bridge, making it a fort, making fixtures to cover up and protect the equipment, and painted murals were all discussed. Council wants staff to provide options on removing the wall, hiding the wall in plain sight, or modifying the wall.

Councilmembers discussed procedures to prevent this from happening again. They want to be kept informed throughout the process so they are able to provide answers with an

explanation as to why projects are being done the way they are. They want to look at the cumulative impact of current and future projects aesthetically and would like to have an overall design plan for Chelan so each project is part of the whole. This will give staff more succinct direction and a higher comfort level. Councilmembers will be added to all Notices of Application turned in to the City and they would like a Director's Report section added to one Council Meeting a month.

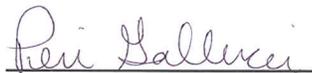
Ron Coulter, 113 E Woodin Avenue, stated to Council the Historic Downtown Chelan Association (HDCA) has a design review committee which meets once a month. He said they are available as a resource and they will review projects as a service to the City. He suggested they become involved early in the project before it gets vested.

Cindy Salazar provide a hard copy of an email dated December 16, 2013 sent to her by Diane Leigh, 212 E Woodin Avenue, Suite B, stating her thoughts regarding with the Lift Station No. 2 and with the request Lift Station No. 2 be moved.

- B. DISCUSS THE DESIGN AESTHETICS & FUNCTIONALITY OF PUBLIC PROJECTS: Mr. Schmidt stated the draft resolution was for the City's 2014 Legislative Priority Issues to be given to the Association of Washington Cities during the City Action Days. Councilmembers discussed the items and made some modifications. Mr. Schmidt stated the formal resolution will be brought to the January 9, 2014 Council Meeting for Council's approval.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The workshop was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.



Peri Gallucci  
City Clerk



Robert R. Goedde  
Mayor

DATE APPROVED BY COUNCIL:

January 9, 2014