



**City Council Workshop Minutes - Draft  
Monday, May 17, 2021, 4:30 PM  
REMOTE MEETING PARTICIPATION**

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**SPECIAL MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Pro Tem Ellen Burton called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Council Members Greg Anderson, Bonnie Carter, Don Chaney, Steve Hogan and Shannon Roberts

Excused: Council Member Melissa Smith

Staff: Phil Bourquin, James Carothers, Jennifer Gorsuch, Cathy Huber Nickerson, Mitch Lackey, Trang Lam, Bryan Rachal, Heather Rowley, Nick Swinhart, Connie Urquhart and Steve Wall

Press: Kelly Moyer, Camas-Washougal Post-Record

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No one from the public wished to speak.

Emailed comments received via [publiccomments@cityofcamas.us](mailto:publiccomments@cityofcamas.us) are attached to these minutes.

**WORKSHOP TOPICS**

1. Lake Management Plan Draft Scope of Work  
Presenter: Steve Wall, Public Works Director

Wall provided an overview of the scope of work. Discussion ensued. This item will be placed on the June 7, 2021 Consent Agenda for Council's consideration.

2. Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program  
Presenter: James Carothers, Engineering Manager

Carothers provided an overview of the proposed program. Discussion ensued. A public hearing will be scheduled for the June 7, 2021 Regular Meeting.

3. Professional Services Agreement with Merina+CO  
Presenters: Nick Swinhart, Fire Chief; Rob Moody and Jordan Henderson, Merina+CO

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Swinhart provided an overview of the proposed fire merger study. Moody and Henderson gave a presentation regarding the execution of the study. This item was also placed on the May 17, 2021 Regular Meeting Agenda for Council's consideration.

4. East County Fire and Rescue (ECFR) Interlocal Agreement Renewal  
Presenter: Nick Swinhart, Fire Chief

Swinhart provided an overview of the ECFR agreement. This item was also placed on the May 17, 2021 Consent Agenda for Council's consideration.

5. Fireworks Discussion  
Presenter: Nick Swinhart, Fire Chief and Ron Schumacher, Fire Marshal

Swinhart and Schumacher provided an overview of current City code related to fireworks. Discussion ensued. Mayor Pro Tem requested Council Members Anderson, Hogan and Roberts work with staff to facilitate community engagement.

6. Staff Miscellaneous Updates  
Presenter: Jennifer Gorsuch, Administrative Services Director

Gorsuch confirmed consensus with Council regarding future agenda topics.

Wall provided a brief overview of the Grounds Equipment and Maintenance (GEM) Interlocal Agreement Extension for the May 17, 2021 Consent Agenda.

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

With consensus, Council Comments were deferred to the 7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Carrie Schulstad, 1341 NW Pinyon Court, Camas, commented about the recent Downtown Camas Association's (DCA) First Friday ribbon cuttings.

John Ley, 444 NW Fremont Street, Camas, commented about fire staff funding.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

**From:** [Christian Levenick](#)  
**To:** [Public Comments](#)  
**Subject:** Regarding Further Fireworks Restrictions and Local Business Owners  
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hi all-

If fireworks are to be banned for private use in Camas, not only will it meet opposition among our residents seeking to maintain normal traditions, but most importantly it will be directly cutting off the business of at least one of our residents.

Anyone should be upset if what ends up happening is that mortars and big fireworks remain publicly available in the county but only available through one monopolized source...leaving 'safe&sane' fireworks as the only type that local independent vendors can make a business out of in our county or state. (free trade is a hallmark of our nation. The fact is that regardless of our city's restrictions, visitors and residents would predictably purchase what they desire where they can and transport them to Camas)

I live in the Camas growth boundary: so, unincorporated county dirt/but yes Camas schools&trash...one day, we'll be just as proud to be in City of Camas as you are.

Thank you for what you do for us & all the very Best!