

**WEST RICHLAND CITY COUNCIL  
WORKSHOP  
MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2010  
7:00 P.M.**

**Call To Order** – Mayor Pro Tem Buel called the workshop to order at 7:01 p.m.

**Council Members Present** – Mayor Pro Tem Rich Buel was present. Council Members Richard Bloom, Gail Brown, Ken Dobbin, and Merle Johnson were also present.

*Upon motion by Councilmember Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Dobbin, Council unanimously excused Mayor Donna Noski and Council Members Tony Benegas and Brent Gerry from the meeting.*

**Staff Members Present** – Associate Planner Aaron Lambert, Community Development Director Bob Leedy, Finance Director Joe Potts, Public Works Director Roscoe Slade, and City Clerk Julie Richardson were present.

**Fence Ordinance – Associate Planner Lambert** presented information and answered questions on a proposal to amend the existing fencing regulations. He provided an overview of the specific proposed amendments.

There were suggestions and discussions regarding aesthetics and having design standards for fences and related landscaping.

**Community Development Director Leedy** advised that, as part of the Van Giesen Renaissance, design standards that can be implemented city-wide, will be proposed.

The ordinance will be presented to Council for approval at the April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Six Year Transportation Improvement Program – Public Works Director Slade** provided information on the annual update of the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program. He advised that this workshop is step one in the process. Step two will be discussion during the Planning Commission meeting on May 13<sup>th</sup>, and step three will be a presentation to Council during their first meeting in June.

Mr. Slade advised that the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program map will be consistent with the Comprehensive Plan 10 year map, which will be cleaned up to show major arterials, minor arterials, collectors, etc.

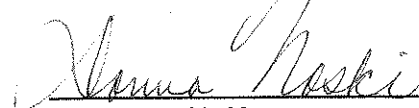
There was discussion regarding the importance of a traffic signal at the intersection of 38<sup>th</sup> and Van Giesen. Mayor Pro Tem Buel asked City Clerk Richardson to get approval from Mayor Noski to include a separate agenda item on the April 19<sup>th</sup> agenda for discussion on the traffic signal.

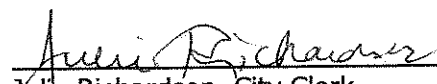
**Budget – Finance Director Potts** distributed a 2010 budget summary with updated fund balances, a revenue analysis, and a department expense report to date for 2010. He asked Council to review the reports and let him know if the format and level of detail is satisfactory for the council's review. He proposed providing similar reports monthly and more detailed reports quarterly.

Mr. Potts distributed and provided an overview of the items on a budget amendment that will be presented during the April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting for approval. He said that after the first amendment process, the revised 2010 budget will roll into 2011. A copy of the draft 2011 budget will be provided for the budget workbooks that were distributed. He said Mayor Noski wants discussions focused on 2011.

**Councilmember Johnson** expressed his frustration regarding legal fees for police negotiations and the Urban Growth Area Expansion (UGA). He feels the City shouldn't spend any more money on the UGA until the Red Mountain Interchange is approved. There was discussion regarding the UGA and Mr. Leedy advised that most of the legal work is done unless an appeal is filed.

**Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

  
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Donna Noski, Mayor

  
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Julie Richardson, City Clerk