

Monday, August 22, 2022

City Council Joint Workshop - College Place & Walla Walla - Hybrid (In-Person & Electronic)
4:00 P.M.

City Council Workshop - Hybrid (In-Person & Electronic)

In-Person at City Hall, 625 S College Avenue, College Place Washington

Meeting may be viewed at: Live Stream on City of College Place, Washington YouTube at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbx3qrqzLDL_05NusReSI-g/featured

Zoom Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81159867042>

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1. Opening Items.

Subject :	1.01 Call To Order
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Category :	1. Opening Items.
Access :	Public
Type :	Procedural

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Mayor Hernández or Mayor Scribner will call the meeting to order.

Subject :	1.02 Roll Call
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Mayors - Norma L. Hernández, College Place; Tom Scribner, Walla Walla

College Place Council Members Paul Jessup, Michael Cleveland, Loren Peterson, Melodie Williams, Monica Boyle

Walla Walla Council Members - Steve Moss, Brian Casey, Rick Eskil, Ted Koehler, Gustavo Reyna

Staff - College Place City Administrator, Mike Rizzitiello;
Walla Walla City Manager, Nabiel Shawa;
Walla Walla Deputy City Manager, Elizabeth Chamberlain;
City Attorney, Rea Culwell;
Finance Director, Brian Carleton;
Deputy Finance Director, DaShari Schmick;
Public Works Director, Robert McAndrews;
Police Chief, Troy Tomaras;
Fire Chief, David Winter;
Community Development Director, Jon Rickard;
HR Manager, Shawn Doering;
City Clerk, Lisa Neissl;
Deputy City Clerk, Sherri St. Clair

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Heather Schermann, Tito Espinoza Jr., Susan Nackonieczny

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Subject : 1.03 Pledge of Allegiance
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Category : 1. Opening Items.
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Type : Procedural

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"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Subject : 1.04 Public Comment -
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Category : 1. Opening Items.
Access : Public
Type : Information

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Council meetings are primarily structured to permit Council Members to arrive at the decisions necessary to govern the City.

Meeting Protocol for Public Comment:

When submitting public comments, include the following information regardless of the manner you are using: Note that there are deadlines for written comments to be included in the meeting documents.

- Your Name
- Your Address

Written Public comments may be provided by submitting comment to Clerk@cpwa.us no later than 3:00 PM on the meeting date to be included in the record. (If typewritten, no less than 11 pt font).

Verbal Public Comments may be made during the meeting:

- In-person at the meeting location - provided at the beginning of each agenda.
- Telephone comment - Call 1-669-900-9128, entering the meeting ID (provided at beginning of agenda) and raise your hand (*9 to raise hand, *6 to mute/un-mute) when comments are requested.
- Virtual comment - Join using the Zoom Attendee link (provided at beginning of agenda) and raise your hand when comments are requested.

Once recognized, you will have five minutes to speak on any subject that is under the control of the Council.

File Attachments

[It is SO EASY to participate in public meetings!.png \(224 KB\)](#)

2. Workshop Topics.

Subject :	2.01 Regional Wastewater Approach Update - Mr. Rizzitiello & Mr. Fazzari of JUB
Meeting :	Aug 22, 2022 - City Council Joint Workshop - College Place & Walla Walla - Hybrid (In-Person & Electronic)
Category :	2. Workshop Topics.
Access :	Public
Type :	Discussion, Information

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Workshop Only - No Action (Presentation updated on 8/22/2022 at 8:23 AM)

File Attachments

[RegionalWWTPStudy_Update.pdf \(262 KB\)](#)

Subject :	2.02 Broadband Update - Mr. Shawa
Meeting :	Aug 22, 2022 - City Council Joint Workshop - College

Category :

Access :

Type :

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2. Workshop Topics.

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Subject :

2.03 Sales Tax Revenue Sharing Concept Update - Mr. Shawa

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Category :

2. Workshop Topics.

Access :

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Type :

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Subject :

2.04 Myra Road Corridor Planning - Mr. Rizzitiello

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Category :

2. Workshop Topics.

Access :

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Type :

Discussion, Information

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Workshop Only - No Action

Subject :

2.05 Growth Management Coordination Update - Ms. Chamberlain

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Category :

2. Workshop Topics.

Access :

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Type :

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Subject : 2.06 Fireworks - Mr. Shawa
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Access : Public
Type : Discussion, Information

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Workshop Only - No Action

Public Comment from Richard McFarland:

Kami - I see that Nabel is on today's workshop agenda regarding fireworks.

The home on Glen Erin & Wellington (I pass it several times each day) that caught fire on 4th of July due to fireworks was in yesterday's paper as it caught fire again.

The ladies who have spoken so well (about PTSD etc.) at both the BOCC and CC regarding the Catch-22 with legal versus illegal fireworks (and the lack of enforcement) need all the support they can obtain - hopefully that is why Nabel is on the agenda today!

These photos are from yesterday (after the 2nd fire). You are welcome to use them.

RL McFarland

File Attachments

[2002_Glen_Erin_Dr-1.jpg \(91 KB\)](#)
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[2002_Glen_Erin_Dr-3.jpg \(88 KB\)](#)
[2002_Glen_Erin_Dr-4.jpg \(123 KB\)](#)
[2002_Glen_Erin_Dr-5.jpg \(122 KB\)](#)

Subject : 2.07 Regional Fire Authority - Mr. Shawa
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Type : Discussion, Information

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3. Closing Items.

Subject :	3.01 Conclusion
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Category :	3. Closing Items.
Access :	Public
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Motion to conclude the meeting

Walla Walla Valley Regional Wastewater Feasibility Study

Joint Council Workshop Presentation
August 22, 2022

Agenda

- Status Update
- Key Decision Points for Councils

Where We Are Today – College Place

- College Place WWTP
 - Compliance schedule to construct WWTP Phase 1 Upgrades by 2024
 - Phase 2 (\$15M, 2039) and Phase 3 (\$27M, 2049) could be triggered if permit changes in future
 - Design is complete and approved – ready for bid
 - Ecology funding package - \$13.5 M grant, \$16M loan
 - City needs to decide this Fall whether to accept funding offer and build Phase 1 or pursue Regional Solution

Where We Are Today – Walla Walla

- Walla Walla WWTP
 - Currently constructing rehab upgrades – funded by PWTF - \$7M
 - Future upgrades identified in General Sewer Plan - \$18M (2026, 2029)
 - Projected to reach capacity in 2027; therefore, planning to begin a Facility Plan to look at 20 years of growth
 - Recent industrial pretreatment project has significantly reduced loading

Where We Are Today - Port

- Port of Walla Walla
 - Concerned with impact of high strength waste charges
 - All tenants subject to high-strength surcharge due to two wineries because wastewater is combined

Regional Problems to Solve

- Port concerned with recent high strength waste charges from City of Walla Walla
- Walla Walla has several WWTP upgrades planned over next several years
- College Place WWTP Phase 1 project will require rate increases
- Legislature may be willing to fund a “Regional Solution”

Water Rights Considerations

- Water rights impairment
 - Walla Walla WWTP – required to provide effluent to irrigation districts
 - College Place WWTP – Required to discharge effluent in winter to Walla Walla River
- Pumping College Place sewer to Walla Walla is potentially feasible solution
 - Effluent would still get to Walla Walla River; therefore, no water rights impairment

Scope of Regional Study

Three key elements

1. College Place - Feasibility and cost to pump College Place sewage to Walla Walla
2. Walla Walla - Impact of additional flow/load on WWTP
3. Port - Identify solutions for Port industrial wastewater

College Place Focus of Study

- ID potential forcemain route
 - Two routes evaluated
- Develop cost opinion
 - About half the cost of Phase 1 Upgrades
- Evaluated feasibility for storage and pumping at night
 - Can utilize influent screens, grit chamber, and storage available in SBRs to store during day and pump to WWTP at night during low flow period at Walla Walla WWTP

Pumping Sewage to Walla Walla – College Place Perspective

- Pros
 - Lower capital cost than WWTP Phase 1 project
 - Eliminates discharge permit for College Place
 - Land/assets at existing WWTP could be repurposed
 - Jacobs currently operating both plants
 - Economies of scale – more people paying for projects and operations
- Cons
 - Rely on Walla Walla for wastewater treatment and disposal
 - Would need to resolve rate structure for fairness regarding fees and future upgrades
 - Would need to resolve concerns regarding limiting growth by limiting access to wastewater treatment
 - Pushes Walla Walla WWTP to capacity for BOD load
 - Grant amount of Ecology funding offer would change

Pumping Sewage to Walla Walla – Walla Walla Perspective

- Pros
 - Regional Solution potentially attractive for legislative funding
 - Economies of scale – more people paying for projects and operations
 - Sewage from College Place could be metered in during low-flow periods to maximize use of assets and even out peaks – offsite equalization storage
 - Jacobs currently operating both plants
- Cons
 - Pushes Walla Walla WWTP to capacity for BOD load
 - Additional administrative burden

Walla Walla Focus of Study

- Evaluate options for where forcemain should discharge
 - Two options evaluated
- Evaluate impact on WWTP capacity
 - Add about 20% to flow/load
 - Pushes to capacity for BOD load
- Summarize timing impacts of planned improvements
 - Facility Plan needed to evaluate entire plant and plan for 20 years of growth
 - Projects identified for 2026/2029 will be triggered sooner
 - Regionalization decision needs to be made before Facility Plan and before new NPDES permit is issued by Ecology

Port Focus of Study

- Three viable alternatives
 1. Port tenants become City sewer customers
 - The large users pay the surcharge and remainder pays typical City rates
 - City implements pre-treatment program
 2. Centralized storage and pumping at night
 3. Separate collection system (sanitary vs ind) and build industrial treatment plant and reuse the industrial effluent

Regional Project

- Ecology funding offer for College Place WWTP Phase 1 could be used to pay for lift station and College Place WWTP upgrades – but grant amount would be lowered since total project cost will decrease
- Regional Project could include:
 - Walla Walla WWTP upgrades
 - Infrastructure at Port for industrial wastewater
- Regional solutions are attractive for legislative funding

Schedule for Study

- Began in April and nearing completion.
- Draft report will be submitted in early September.
- College Place will need to decide soon (likely November) whether to accept Ecology funding offer for WWTP Phase 1 or not.
- Walla Walla will need to decide about Regionalization prior to initiating Facility Plan

Key Decision Points for Councils

- To Regionalize or not to Regionalize?
- Will College Place be a customer of the Walla Walla WWTP?
 - Rates, Connection fees?
 - Flow/load allocations/limits and Agreements?
- Formation of sewer district?
 - Examples:
 - Raymond and South Bend Regional Wastewater District
 - Clark Regional Wastewater District
 - Separate bills for collection system and treatment?
 - Evaluate which portion of current rates are for collection vs treatment?
 - Rate study to determine how rates might look?

Questions, Comments?









