



**YAKIMA CITY COUNCIL  
STUDY SESSION  
October 30, 2018  
City Hall -- Council Chambers  
5 p.m. -- MINUTES**

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1. Roll Call

Council: Mayor Kathy Coffey, presiding, Assistant Mayor Dulce Gutierrez, Council Members Kay Funk, Brad Hill, Holley Cousens, Carmen Mendez and Jason White

Staff: City Manager Moore, Assistant City Manager Cortez and City Clerk Sonya Claar Tee

2. Economic Development Plan and Complimentary Strategies Discussion

Ana Cortez, Assistant City Manager, briefed Council on the Economic Development Plan and Complimentary Strategies. After Council discussion:

**MOTION: Gutierrez moved and White seconded that main street development includes all arterial streets.** The motion carried by unanimous vote. After additional Council discussion:

**MOTION: Gutierrez moved and Mendez seconded that the main street development Strategic Plan begin with the infrastructure of the listed streets. MOTION: Gutierrez moved and Coffey seconded to withdraw the motion.** The motion to withdraw carried by a 5-2 vote, Funk and Mendez voting no.

Council Member Funk asked about the definition of arterial streets. Chief Engineer Sheffield reported the principal and minor arterials are functionally classified through the Washington Department of Transportation and principal arterials consist of: 1st Street, 16th Avenue, 40th Avenue, 72nd Avenue, Fruitvale Blvd, Summitview Ave, Nob Hill Blvd, Washington Avenue east of 40th, Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., Lincoln Avenue, Yakima Avenue and Walnut Street. Minor arterials are: Fair Avenue, 3rd Avenue, 5th Avenue, portions of Lincoln from 16th Avenue to 40th Avenue, Tieton Drive, Mead Avenue and Washington Avenue west of 40th Avenue.

After Council discussion related to the Plaza and MLK pool, it was Council consensus to update the Strategic Plan in January.

3. Council discussion on Lion's Pool

City Manager Moore briefed Council on the item. Council members asked several questions about the possible closure of Lions Pool since it is nearing the end of its life. Senior Assistant City Attorney Sara Watkins outlined several points in her memo that would have to

be addressed in order to move forward. After further Council discussion,

**MOTION: Funk moved and Mendez seconded to drop the planning process to transfer ownership of Lions Pool to the school district.** The motion carried by unanimous vote. Council members discussed cost recovery for maintenance and operations of Lions Pool. Ken Wilkinson, Parks and Recreation Manager, noted that all area school districts and other cities utilize the pool.

**MOTION: Mendez moved and Hill seconded to direct staff to establish partnerships of support with neighboring cities and school districts for maintenance and operation of Lions Pool.** The motion carried by unanimous vote. Council Member White asked if this motion entails renegotiation of prices. City Manager Moore stated that is how he understands the motion.

4. Public comment (allow 15 minutes)

City residents Ryan Anderson, Lisa Dyer, and Vickie Hinze spoke in support of keeping Lions Pool open.

Casey Corr, City resident, asked what the Council plans to do if the Plaza ballot measure passes or if it fails.

Tony Courcy, City resident, spoke on several subjects.

Joe Mann, City resident, requested that Council research creating an arts district.

5. Adjournment

**MOTION: Gutierrez moved and Mendez seconded to adjourn to a City Council Business Meeting on November 6, 2018, at 6 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chambers.** The motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

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