



Agenda/Regular City Council Meeting

March 13, 2007 - 6:00 P.M.

City Council Chambers

- A. Call to order - Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call - Excused Absences
- C. Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of February 27, 2007
- D. Claims/Vouchers: Voucher Amount \$236,061.06, Payroll Amount \$507,179.73
- E. Claims for Damages - Balderree
- F. Small Contracts (Less than \$10,000)
 - IRS Environmental - asbestos removal = \$1,226
 - Vivid Learning Systems - on-line training = \$85 per person (\$454.86 for the year)
 - Xerox - Police Department Copy Machine = \$4,704 annually
- G. Information Items
 - Spokane Regional Solid Waste System Presentation
- H. Appointments - None
- I. Citizen Comments: Open to Public (two minute limit)
- J. Action Items
 - Public Hearings - None
 - Resolutions
 - 1. 07-029 - Resolution D-251 - Federal Non-Discrimination Agreement - Federal Transportation Funding
 - 2. 07-032 - Resolution D-254 - Animal Control Contract with SCRAPS - Renewal
 - 3. 07-033 - Resolution D-255 - Safe Schools/Healthy Students Grant Contract Amendment with ESD 101
 - 4. 07-034 - Resolution D-256 - Cheney Hang Out and Appropriation of Dare Funds
 - 5. 07-025 - Resolution D-257 - Policies and Procedures
 - Ordinances - None
 - Other Business
 - 6. 07-004 - Take Home Vehicle Use
 - 7. 07-030 - Letter of Support for North South Corridor
- K. Council Reports
- L. Staff Report

- M. Mayor's Report
- N. City Response to Previous Citizen Comments: None
- O. Executive Session: None
- P. Adjournment

**Mission Statement
City of Cheney**

The Mission of the City of Cheney is to responsibly provide its citizens desirable services while promoting and optimizing the finest quality of life.

Vision Statement

“Known for its family centered environment, dedicated to life-long learning, with widespread community involvement and devoted to sound economic development.”

“It takes a lot of courage to release the familiar and seemingly secure, to embrace the new. But there is no real security in what is no longer meaningful. There is more security in the adventurous and exciting, for in movement there is life, and in change there is power.” Alan Cohen

07-029 – Resolution D-251 – Federal Non-Discrimination Agreement – Federal Transportation Funding

All recipients of federal transportation funding must implement a non-discrimination program pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The Department of Transportation had prepared a template non-discrimination program that recipient agencies may choose to adopt. The program requires the recipient agencies to designate a Title VI and Civil Rights Coordinator. Resolution D-251 will result in the formal adoption of a Title VI Program and also designates the Human Resource Director as the Title VI and Civil Rights Coordinator for the City of Cheney. Among other things, the Human Resource Director will be responsible for investigating any non-discrimination complaints arising from a federally funded transportation project in which the City of Cheney is the funding recipient. There are also reports that need to be prepared to show compliance with the program and the Director of Public Works will assist the Human Resource Director in this regard.

07-032 – Resolution D-254 – Animal Control Contract with SCRAPS – Renewal

The City of Cheney has contracted with the Spokane County Animal Control for services pertaining to animal control laws within the City of Cheney for a number of years. This is an annually renewable contract.

07-033 – Resolution D-255 – Safe Schools/Health Students Grant Contract Amendment with ESD 101

The Cheney Police Department has contracted with ESD 101 for the purposes of housing and monitoring the Safe Schools/Healthy Students program. On behalf of that program, additional funding has been made available, requiring an amendment to the existing contract, in the amount of \$4,762.

07-034 – Resolution D-256 – Cheney Hang Out and Appropriation of DARE Funds

City and EWU staff have negotiated the terms for an interlocal agreement for the use of the Wren Pierson Building to serve as the site for the Cheney Hang Out. The main area of activity will be centered in the conference room where Park Board meetings and the like are held. Under terms of the agreement, the City will maintain the site and EWU will be responsible for overseeing the youth in the program. The agreement states that the City Council shall have sole discretion in determining whether to expend funds to furnish the site. There are remaining DARE funds that can only be used for youth center amenities necessary for the Cheney Hang Out. Resolution D-256 authorizes the mayor to sign the interlocal agreement as well as authorizing the use of DARE funds to furnish and equip the site. There will be a future budget amendment, and all expenditures would need to go through the normal purchase process.

07-025 – Resolution D-257 – Policies and Procedures

Service Animals; Land Use Appeal Hearings; Compressed Work Week & Contagious Diseases Policies for approval.

07-004 – Take Home Vehicle Use

The City Council requested the Public Safety Committee review the vehicle requests that the Mayor recommended for approval. The Committee discussed the basis for recommendation and expressed a desire to establish a more specific policy for vehicle use. The Staff's recommendation is that the three vehicles recommended be approved and that the use by the current individuals be grandfathered, that the City Administrator establish guidelines for use including strict limitations on non-City staff occupancy in the vehicles. Further, the Staff recommends that a new policy be drafted that sets a response or distance limitation that the future user must live within to be allowed a take home vehicle, defines the restrictions on use, and includes a provision that continued use is contingent on budgetary constraints and compliance with the policy. Attached are the petitions for use: the Fire Department requesting the Fire Chief be approved; the Police Department for the Chief of Police, Police Commander, and Detective. The Mayor approved the use by the Fire Chief, Chief of Police, and Police Commander.

07-030 – Letter of Support for North South Corridor

The City Council requested the General Government Committee review the proposed letter of

support for the North South Corridor. The General Government Committee felt that the best course of action was to revise the letter slightly to indicate that it is an important project, but to remove the designation as the most important project. Further, that the letter should be sent back to the Council of Governments with a cover letter indicating that the City of Cheney supports the project and desires the Council of Governments to lend support to our efforts to complete our most important project, the widening of SR 904. After the General Government Committee meeting and during the revision of the letter the City Administrator reviewed the Resolution that was included in the original agenda item and is recommending not adopting the resolution. A revised letter of support is attached for Council review.