

# League of Women Voters of Pullman Observer Report Form

**Name of Agency:** Pullman City Council **Date:** November 21, 2017

Observer Reporting: Anne Lewis \*Length of Meeting: 7:00-7:77 p.m.

Members Present/Absent: 2 Excused Absences (Al Sorensen and Pat Wright)

Others Present (i.e., media, public): Approx. 2 community members other than myself. A few department heads, ie. Mike Heston (Fire). Scott of Moscow-Pullman Daily.

**Content (What is being discussed):** i.e., *Did they approve some action? Does anything relate to League priorities or positions? If so, do you recommend local league action? Was access to materials for certain agenda items limited or excluded from you? Was background material available to the public?*

## Announcements:

- Voters thanked again for passing of Propositions 1 & 2
- Saturday is Small Business Day

## Regular Agenda

### Ordinances

Ordinance related to College Hill Parking Prohibitions. Kevin Gardes spoke. To better enable city snow removal, overnight parking will be prohibited in certain areas during WSU breaks. Alternative parking will be available at WSU. Generally positive input—with public (in prior meetings/discussion) and council members stressing need for public notice and alternative parking.

### Resolutions:

Asked *Appearance of Fairness* Questions prior to any discussion.

- Resolution approving preliminary plat for Serene Summit Subdivision. Includes 14 conditions (ie. re: sidewalks, parks). This subdivision will have more “variety” of properties (including larger lots) than usual.
- Resolution authorizing city participation in construction of Marcia Drive with Sunnyside Heights Subdivision 10.

## New Business

Pat O’Neill, a bus driver for the Pullman School District and resident of Colton spoke re: the safety issue of overhanging foliage that impedes driver visibility on school bus routes. Noted a letter had been submitted to the City re: specifics (areas, problems). Pete Dickinson said letter had been received and would be addressed. Noted that there are guidelines for what property owners are responsible for, but agreed that the view of buses (height of bus) is different than average vehicle.

Mr. O’Neill was thanked by the Mayor for coming forward and for his work as a bus driver.

## Upcoming Meetings

- November 28, 2017- Adopt 2018 Budget; Meet with Senator Mark Schoesler. Mayor notes that Schoesler is not excited to adjust to not being speaker.
- December 5, 2017

**\*Public Meetings of interest to League** – i.e., *Were there any public meetings announced that you think League members may be interested in attending and/or becoming involved with the issue?*

## Process & Protocol (Observations about participants, conduct, and procedures of the meeting):

i.e., Did the members appear to have done their “homework”? Were members courteous to each other and the public? How does the group respond to your presence?

Short meeting.