

## League of Women Voters of Pullman Observer Report

**Name of Agency:** Pullman City Council

**Date:** September 27, 2022

**Observer Reporting:** Kelly McGee

**Length of meeting:** 2 hours 30 minutes

**Members Present:** Mayor Glenn Johnson, Council Members, Guido, Benjamin, Dueben, Macoll, Parks, Weller, Wright

**Others Present:** Dee Stiles-Elliot, City Clerk; Mike Urban, Director of Finance & Administrative Services; Jon Hatlan, City Attorney

Meeting was held in person but also could be streamed on youtube channel .

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Meeting was called to start at 7 p.m. and a roll was called.

All council members were present

**Announcements:** Progress on the water main repair on Grand Ave.

### **Presentations:**

Judge John Hart, **Whitman County District Court** Update

- Case loads are current;
- State Funding for courtroom security and technology
- State Funding for Therapeutic Services to help repeat offenders

Palouse **Citizens Climate Lobby**-Judy Meuth

- Results Climate Change Survey, 450 responded, 80% wants City Leader to lead mitigation.
- Recommended following the steps the LWV has developed,

Fire Chief Mike Heston- Overview of **Everbridge Emergency Notification**

- Contacts were generated from white pages, self sign up & data purge.
- Funded by WSU & Whitman County
- He encourages citizens to sign up on the city's website.

**Public Comments:** none

**Consent Agenda Passed:** Lodging tax and account payable items

**Public Hearing:** Mike Urban review not completed yet / **Final budget** November 15,2022

**Regular agenda:** Sean Cook, **Public Works** director

-Council adopted rates increase for water, sewer storm drainage and surface management.

- Council accepted to revise parking restrictions on NE Lower drive and NE Gaines

-Council Ratified the **Mayor's Emergency Declaration** of 9/17/2022 Relating to the water break

### **Discussion items:**

-**Downtown Drive through**- developed process to determine the size and type of business to allow drive thru business.

-**Affordable Middle income Housing** options

**Your additional comments/opinions: Climate change following up on City action, Councilor Macoll wants to make sure all the groups are working together.**

**Process & Protocol: Councilor Benjamin had studied the budget**

Meeting adjourned at 9:30; Council went to executive session