

TOPPENISH CITY COUNCIL
Study Session Minutes
June 7, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Thorington called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Blaine Thorington and Councilmembers Loren Belton, Clara Jiménez, Christina Kwan, Mark Oaks, and Derald Ortloff.
Absent: Randy Taylor.
Staff: Fire Chief Tim Smith (FC Smith), Police Chief Adam Diaz (PC Diaz), Special
Present: Projects Assistant Tom Kehm, and Executive Assistant/Deputy City Clerk Heidi Riojas.

**REPORT BY FIRE CHIEF TIM SMITH AND POLICE CHIEF ADAM DIAZ
REGARDING THE INTEGRATED PUBLIC SAFETY SYSTEM (IPSS) PROJECT**

Police Chief Diaz reported that George Helton, Technology Director for Yakima County, was present to answer any questions concerning the Integrated Public Safety System (IPSS) project. Chief Diaz stated that the police department supports the IPSS project because of its capability to share information between public safety agencies countywide and the significant annual savings to the City of approximately \$25,000. Director Helton reported that the purpose of the proposed IPSS Project is to build a database that would allow agencies to share information regarding public safety matters. Councilmember Belton inquired about the capital shortfall for the project. Director Helton responded that a few weeks ago the County Commissioners announced that the County will cover the capital shortfall of approximately \$472,777 and that the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) was in the process of being revised to reflect that the County will pay for all needed capital in order to implement the project. Fire Chief Smith stated that the Fire Chiefs recently voted to support the IPSS Project. Director Helton stated that it is anticipated that the final version of the ILA will be signed by the jurisdictions by the end of June, and he has scheduled Spillman representatives to be at his office the last week of July so that his department can start working on creating the new database. The projected startup date for the new database is January 2011, which will initially start with the Cities of Yakima, Union Gap and Selah, and then the other jurisdictions will be added on to the live IPSS system soon after. The Council expressed support in the City joining the IPSS project to provide advanced public safety services for the community.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

BLAINE R. THORINGTON, MAYOR

HEIDI RIOJAS, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/DEPUTY CITY CLERK