

TOPPENISH CITY COUNCIL
Study Session Minutes
February 6, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Clara Jiménez and Councilmembers Loren Belton, Zachary Dorr, Mark Oaks, Derald Ortloff, Randy Taylor, and Blaine Thorington.
Absent: Councilmember Loren Belton.
Staff Present: City Manager William C. Murphy (CM Murphy) and Executive Assistant/Deputy City Clerk Heidi Riojas.

**DISCUSSION REGARDING CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS TRAVELING
TO OLYMPIA TO MEET WITH LEGISLATORS**

Mayor Jiménez reported that she was requested to bring the topic to Council to reconsider traveling to Olympia to meet with legislators. After discussion, it was the consensus of Council to invite the local legislators to Toppenish to meet on a Saturday morning at the conclusion of the current session so they have more time to meet and discuss the results of the session and the current priorities of the Council. In the future, Council will invite the legislators to Toppenish to meet with them on a Saturday morning prior to going into session to discuss and present their current priorities.

**DISCUSSION REGARDING PROPOSED UPDATING AND CONSOLIDATION
OF VARIOUS FEES IN THE TOPPENISH MUNICIPAL CODE**

City Manager Murphy (CM Murphy) reported that the purpose of his memo was to give Council a general awareness of the status of the project of updating and consolidating of various fees in the Toppenish Municipal Code.

CM Murphy reported that the matter of the \$20 license tab fee is a topic for Council to consider for generating restricted funds for transportation improvements. CM Murphy stated that if the County goes forward with the \$20 license tab fee first the City would only receive a portion of the \$20 fee. After discussion, the Council decided to move forward with the process to create the Transportation Benefit District and to identify the areas of congestion to enable the City to impose a \$20 license tab fee.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

CLARA R. JIMÉNEZ, MAYOR

HEIDI RIOJAS, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/DEPUTY CITY CLERK