



CITY OF OREGON CITY

CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING - VIRTUAL ONLY

MINUTES

VIRTUAL ONLY via Zoom
Wednesday, January 17, 2024 at 7:00 PM

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION

1. CONVENE MEETING AND ROLL CALL

Mayor McGriff convened the meeting at 7:01 PM.

PRESENT: 5 - Commissioner Rocky Smith, Commissioner Mike Mitchell, Commissioner Frank O'Donnell, Commissioner Adam Marl, and Mayor Denyse McGriff

STAFFERS: 12 - City Manager Tony Konkol, City Recorder Jakob Wiley, Community Development Director Aquilla Hurd-Ravich, Police Chief Shaun Davis, Library Director Greg Williams, Public Works Director John Lewis, Code Enforcement Manager Ryan Kersey, Senior Planner Christina Robertson-Gardiner, Assistant City Engineer Josh Wheeler, Youth Services Librarian Barratt Miller

Mayor McGriff noted due to the inclement weather, the meeting was being held virtually.

2. FLAG SALUTE

3. CEREMONIES AND PROCLAMATIONS

3a. Oath of Office for New Oregon City Police Officer

This item was postponed.

3b. School Board Appreciation Month - January 2024

Mayor McGriff read the proclamation declaring January 2024 as School Board Appreciation Month.

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

5. PRESENTATIONS

5a. Presentation by the Homeless Solutions Coalition of Clackamas County

This item was postponed.

6. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as presented.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Commissioner Mitchell, seconded by Commissioner Marl, to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Voting Yea: Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Marl, Commissioner Mitchell, Commissioner O'Donnell, and Mayor McGriff

- 7a. Resolution No. 23-06, Establishing Oregon City Street Design Standards
- 7b. Resolution No. 24-02, Temporarily Exempting Construction Activities at 701 Molalla Avenue From the Prohibition Against Unlawful Noises
- 7c. Resolution 24-04, appointing Municipal Court Judge Amy Lindgren as code hearings officer
- 7d. OLCC: Liquor License Application – Off-Premises, 7-Eleven #20349D (dba Zara Enterprises, Inc.), 705 Washington Street, Oregon City
- 7e. Personal Services Agreement with 3J Consulting for the Barclay Hills Storm Pond and Drainage Improvements Project (CI 23-014)

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 8a. First Reading of Ordinance Number 23-1010, Adopting the Oregon City Loop Trail Refinement Plan into the Oregon City Transportation System Plan, an ancillary document to the Comprehensive Plan (GLUA 23-000033/LEG-23-00002)

Mayor McGriff opened the public hearing. She asked if the Commission had any conflicts of interest to declare. There were none.

Christina Robertson-Gardiner, Senior Planner, presented the staff report. This was a refinement plan to the Oregon City Loop Trail, which would be adopted into the Transportation System Plan, an ancillary document to the Comprehensive Plan. She discussed the Comprehensive Plan amendment process, proposal, what adoption of the plan provided, criteria for approval, and options for Commission action.

Josh Wheeler, City Engineer, reviewed the project background and purpose, overview of the trail segments, opportunities and constraints, community outreach, and final comments.

There was discussion regarding areas of concern on the trail segments.

There was no public testimony.

Mayor McGriff closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Mayor McGriff, to approve the first reading of Ordinance Number 23-1010, adopting the Oregon City Loop Trail Refinement Plan into the Oregon City Transportation System Plan, an ancillary document to the Comprehensive Plan (GLUA 23-000033/LEG-23-00002). The motion carried by the following vote:

Voting Yea: Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Marl, Commissioner Mitchell, Commissioner O'Donnell, and Mayor McGriff

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

9a. Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Oregon City School District and Clackamas County for the Implementation of a Student Library Card Program

Greg Williams, Library Director, and Barratt Miller, Youth Services Librarian, explained this agreement would initiate a program where students would get a library card tied to their school ID numbers. This was the first partnership of its kind in Clackamas County. Mr. Williams recognized everyone who had worked on the project.

There was discussion regarding why it took so long to create the program, concerns from the School District, and how these would be customizable cards.

Motion made by Commissioner Mitchell, seconded by Commissioner Marl, to approve the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Oregon City School District and Clackamas County for the implementation of a Student Library Card Program. The motion carried by the following vote:

Voting Yea: Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Marl, Commissioner Mitchell, Commissioner O'Donnell, and Mayor McGriff

9b. Climate Friendly and Equitable Communities (CFEC) Parking Reforms

Aquila Hurd-Ravich, Community Development Director, discussed the timeline for the project, what climate friendly and equitable communities meant, implementation requirements, code amendments, reform 1—parking minimums, transit corridor and what was left, reform 2—electric vehicle charging, reform 3—parking maximums, what other cities were doing, policy considerations and direction, and next steps.

There was discussion regarding the pros and cons of eliminating all parking minimums, mandates from the state, lack of a transit system in the City, too much electric vehicle parking proposed, using a half mile ratio for transit, pursuing grant funding for options that would follow the intent of the code but make it work for Oregon City, and discretion for implementation.

There was not support for eliminating all parking minimums. There was support for pursuing a grant if it could be used to find a way to make it work for Oregon City.

Motion made by Commissioner Mitchell, seconded by Mayor McGriff, to approve Resolution 24-03, supporting the City's application for a Department of Land Conservation and Development CFEC grant. The motion carried by the following vote:

Voting Yea: Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Marl, Commissioner Mitchell, and Mayor McGriff

Voting Nay: Commissioner O'Donnell

9c. First Reading of Ordinance 24-1001, Adopting City Code Amendments for Regulation of Rubbish, Construction Hours, Garage Sales, Graffiti, and Parking

Shaun Davis, Police Chief, and Ryan Kersey, Code Enforcement Manager, presented. At a Work Session in November the Commission had directed staff to update the code to address a number of code enforcement issues. Chief Davis explained the code sections that had been changed.

There was discussion regarding what the "shall not stop, stand, or park a vehicle" meant, including fire lanes for vehicles not to stop, stand or park, scrivener's errors— delete "parking of any vehicle" and add

in Saturdays, rewording paragraphs that started with “except,” preventing items like PODS or boats in planter strips, using the word “momentarily,” discretion of the enforcement officer in the situation, no parking within 20 feet of a crosswalk at an intersection—remove “of a crosswalk,” paint the curbs back 20 feet, resources to be able to paint the curbs, asking the Transportation Advisory Committee to look at a limited scope of high impact areas to paint, how state law considered every intersection had a crosswalk whether it was marked or unmarked, construction hours should be different for homeowners doing projects vs. commercial projects, use of decibel meters to measure noise, and how tenants were in charge of the property for garage sales.

There was consensus to make the scrivener’s error changes and removing the words “of a crosswalk.”

Motion made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell, to approve the first reading of Ordinance 24-1001, adopting City Code Amendments for Regulation of Rubbish, Construction Hours, Garage Sales, Graffiti, and Parking as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Voting Yea: Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Marl, Commissioner Mitchell, and Mayor McGriff

Voting Nay: Commissioner O’Donnell

11. City Manager

11a. McLoughlin Boulevard Enhancements Project Update (CI 22-002)

This item was postponed.

12. Commissioners

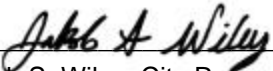
13. Mayor

Mayor McGriff stated that she is now the vice chair of the WES Advisory Committee.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McGriff adjourned the meeting at 9:09 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Jakob S. Wiley, City Recorder