

# CITY OF OREGON CITY CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE (CIC) MINUTES

# Commission Chambers, 625 Center Street, Oregon City Monday, June 3, 2024 at 7:00 PM

This meeting was held online via Zoom as well as in person at City Hall Chambers in Oregon City.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

PRESENT: 13 - Linda Baysinger, Dennis Anderson, Dan Berge, Lisa Guirsch, Shelly Alway, Betty Mumm,

Josh Kayser, Sara Peterson, Denise Beasley, Tim Powell, Steve VanHaverbeke, Bob

LaSalle, Mark

**STAFFERS: 1 -** Hannah Schmidt, Community Engagement Specialist

### **PRESENTATIONS**

# 1. Introduction – Karina Archibald, TriMet Outreach Programs and Events Coordinator

Karina introduced herself to the committee and let them know that she can be reached with any concerns they would like to bring to TriMet for Clackamas County. She offered to connect them with any specialists from TriMet such as city planners or engineers as well. Ride Guides were given that have answers to frequently asked questions.

# 2. Parks Master Plan – Neelay Bhatt, Next Practice Partners

Kendall Reid, Parks and Recreation Director for Oregon City, introduced Neelay Bhatt from Next Practice Partners to review the Parks Master Plan the city has been working on for over two years.

Mr. Bhatt presented the draft findings and recommendations from the plan process. Community engagement was a large part this through participation in surveys, meetings, focus groups, and key leader interviews. Programs and inventory were assessed through the city and other service providers to understand what is currently in place and available.

Some items that were top priority for facilities and amenities based on priority investment rating were trails, water access, an outdoor amphitheater, walking/jogging track, large parks, open space areas, and a fenced dog park. Top priorities for recreation programs based on the priority investment rating were a farmer's market, adult wellness & fitness programs, community special events, and cultural enrichment programs and events. Staff aligned these priorities with core values and the vision and mission to guide the process.

There were five major outcomes that could be reviewed in 5-10 years to track achievement, and implementation steps were created. The next steps from here are getting city commission approval and adaptation into the comprehensive plan in order to get the funding process started.

Mr. Reid let the CIC know that the Parks and Recreation Department has been working on their capital improvement plan, and there was a joint work session with the Parks and

Recreation Advisory Committee and City Commission. There will be continued conversations around prioritizing and funding projects.

The committee had questions answered about specific city parks and ADA accessibility.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Sharon McMath (sp) had a general question about whether developers were required to build in public space for a specific amount of development. Ms. Schmidt advised this would be a question for the Planning Commission and offered to get her in contact with them.

### **MEETING MINUTES**

**3.** A motion was made to approve the Meeting Minutes for May 6, 2024. The motion was seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

# STAFF LIAISON UPDATES – Hannah Schmidt, Community Engagement Specialist

4. Staff Report

The summer trail news is out. It was noted that the links are hard on the eyes, and this will be reviewed. Gaffney Lane CIC representatives have been elected and will be appointed when their minutes and applications are received. Oregon City Ivy League will have a work party in Old Canemah Park. Oregon City Parks and Recreation Department will be involved in Clackamas Community College Summer Connections event. Basic mediation training is offered through Clackamas County which could benefit CIC and neighborhood association members. A volunteer appreciation event will be held on July 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00 p.m. to celebrate volunteers in Oregon City. If a community event is happening in a neighborhood, Hannah can help distribute that information.

# 5. Budget

No specific discussion was had about the budget.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

6. National Night Out – CIC Booth

Ms. Schmidt asked the CIC how she can support them at their booth for National Night out on August 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-8:00 p.m. There will be on specific CIC booth and several members volunteered to run it. McLoughlin will also have a separate booth for their neighborhood.

### **ROUNDTABLE**

For more information on upcoming neighborhood association meetings and contacts please visit: <a href="https://www.orcity.org/community/neighborhood-associations">https://www.orcity.org/community/neighborhood-associations</a>

# Hillendale – Sara Peterson & Josh Kayser

On May 11<sup>th</sup>, they had a cleanup along Clairmont Way and Molalla Avenue that had 7 community members in attendance. There is a steering committee meeting on June 4<sup>th</sup>, and their next general meeting will be a picnic at Hillendale Park on July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

# Canemah – Dennis Anderson & Linda Baysinger

A homeowner in Canemah was supported by the neighborhood and was able to get solar panels on their house. Dennis Anderson is involved in the cemetery, and a cleanup committee was put together. He was happy to see so many flags placed at the cemetery for Memorial Day.

### Park Place - Steve VanHaverbeke & Bob LaSalle

They had a general meeting on May 20<sup>th</sup> with presentations from the police liaison, Willamette CERT, and the Clackamas County Housing Authority with about 40 people in attendance. The steering committee will meet twice this summer, and the next general meeting will be in October. Sidewalks are being put in on Holcomb, and there will be a time when the power will be out during construction.

# Elyville - Karla Laws & Dorothy Dahlsrud

Not in attendance.

# Caulfield – Dan Berge & Lisa Guirsch

There was a good turnout for a meeting talking about Beaver Creek Road and safe access to school for kids

# McLoughlin –Tim Powell & Denise Beasley

Tim had the opportunity to attend the opening of the Cayuse 5 memorial where 150-200 people attended with about 80% of the attendees being Native American. There was a cleanup on 7<sup>th</sup> Street on May 25<sup>th</sup> that had about 10-12 people in attendance. There is a steering committee meeting on June 6.

### Gaffney Lane

They had a meeting recently and elected their chair, vice chair, CIC representatives, secretary, and treasurer. They had a great turnout for the meeting.

### Commissioner Adam Marl

He attended the opening of the Cayuse 5 Memorial as well and agreed with Tim that it was a great. He encouraged everyone to go see the changes being made on the bluff at the Grand Ronde site. The City Commission is meeting on June 5<sup>th</sup>, and they will be going through Oregon City's 20-year facility master plan. They will also continue the conversation about a Destination

Management Organization (DMO) for the tourism and marketing functions for the city. The Willamette River will be a topic as well with several cities working on their river fronts, and Oregon City would like to help with contacts and coordination.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned.

\*Next meeting will be August 5, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.