

MINUTES

MILWAUKIE CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION DECEMBER 1, 2003

Mayor Bernard called the work session to order at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Councilors present: Barnes, Lancaster, Loomis, and Stone.

Staff present: City Manager Mike Swanson, Community Development/Public Works Director Alice Rouyer, and Community Services Director JoAnn Herrigel.

Information Sharing

Rouyer asked for Council direction on a request from Metro Councilor Brian Newman for a letter supporting a pedestrian/bike pathway on the railroad trestle between Milwaukie and Lake Oswego. Council agreed staff should prepare such a letter, but also wanted it to stress the importance Milwaukie's other critical transportation needs like the Lake Road Multimodal Plan.

Mayor Bernard announced the City would fly its flags at half-staff in honor of retired Milwaukie Detective Sergeant Lon Loudonback who passed away on November 28, 2003.

Riverfront Park Naming Contest

Herrigel said over 100 suggestions were submitted for the park naming contest. The Park and Recreation and Riverfront Boards reviewed the names and selected three to forward to the Neighborhood District Associations (NDA) for their input. Three NDAs responded by ranking the names, which are now before Council for the final decision. The top names were Centennial Riverfront Park, Milwaukie Riverfront Park, and Harlow Ferry Park, and in each instance, the NDAs ranked Milwaukie Riverfront Park as number 1.

Mayor Bernard liked Harlow Ferry Park for its historic value. **Councilor Loomis** and **Councilor Stone** liked the simplicity of Milwaukie Riverfront Park. **Councilor Lancaster** agreed although he was surprised no one pursued the theme of the two creeks or the Lot Whitcomb.

Council Meeting Schedule

Swanson recommended the Council return to its previous practice of holding work sessions and regular session on one evening. The Charter provides that the Council meet two times each month in regular session, and the Code requires these meetings be on the first and third Tuesdays of each month unless

notice is given the public otherwise. In January of each year, Council adopts a resolution setting the meeting dates for that upcoming year. If the situation warrants, the City Council may call a work session on another night and notify the public.

Councilor Stone does not believe long meetings are productive and would like to avoid them.

Mayor Bernard and **Councilor Barnes** were in favor of meeting in work session at 5:30 p.m. then going into regular session at 6 p.m.

Councilor Loomis was in favor of the work session at 6 p.m. and the regular session at 7 p.m. In his conversations with staff, they do not seem to like the two night meetings in a row, and this is something that could be done to help out staff when there is no money. He believes this would also be good for citizens.

The group agreed the work session would start at 5:30 p.m. and the regular session at 6:30 p.m. If there are no items for discussion for a work session, that session would be cancelled.

Mayor Bernard adjourned the work session at 6:25 p.m.



Pat DuVal, Recorder

AGENDA

MILWAUKIE CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION DECEMBER 1, 2003

MILWAUKIE CITY HALL

Second Floor Conference Room
10722 SE Main Street

WORK SESSION – 5:30 p.m.

Discussion Items:

	<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Presenter</u>
1.	5:30 p.m.	Dinner and Information Sharing ➤ Council questions and comments on December 2 Agenda Items – these questions and/or comments can only be on those items that are legislative and not on those that are quasi-judicial, like land use or liquor license hearings	Group
2.	6:00 p.m.	Riverfront Park Name Selection	JoAnn Herrigel
3.	6:15 p.m.	Consider City Council Meeting Schedule	Mike Swanson
4.	6:30 p.m.	Adjourn	

Public Notice

- The Council may vote in work session on non-legislative issues.
- The time listed for each discussion item is approximate. The actual time at which each item is considered may change due to the length of time devoted to the preceding items.
- Executive Session: The Milwaukie City Council may go into Executive Session. If an Executive Session is called to order, the appropriate ORS citation will be announced identifying the applicable statute. All discussions are confidential and those present may disclose nothing from the Session. Representatives of the news media are allowed to attend Executive Sessions as provided by ORS 192.660(3) but must not disclose any information discussed. No Executive Session may be held for the purpose of taking any

final action or making any final decision. Executive Sessions are closed to the public.

- For assistance/service per the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) please dial TDD (503) 786-7555.
- The Council requests that all pagers and cell phones be either set on silent mode or turned off during the meeting.



To: Mayor and City Council
Through: Mike Swanson, City Manager
From: JoAnn Herrigel, Community Services Director
Subject: Riverfront Park Name
Date: November 19, 2003

Action Requested

Select a name for the city's riverfront park.

Background

Milwaukie's riverfront park is a 6.9-acre site between Kellogg Creek and Johnson Creek and between McLoughlin Blvd. and the Willamette River. As part of the centennial celebration staff coordinated a contest to name the Riverfront Park. The winner was to be awarded a Centennial Dogwood Tree. Staff received over 100 submittals via e-mail, phone, regular mail, and at public events. A complete list of all names submitted is attached.

To select the final list of three names, staff used the city's park naming policy, adopted by Council in 2000. According to this policy, the following steps are to be taken in selecting a park name:

- Names are submitted to the Park and Recreation Board (PARB)
- PARB refers the proposed name(s) to the appropriate neighborhood
- The neighborhood provides at least one opportunity for public comment
- PARB reviews all public comments and forwards no more than three names to Council
- Council considers the recommendations and may accept the proposed names or decide on an alternate name

The criteria to be used by the city in selecting a final name are:

- Any person who has made significant contributions to the city or community,
- A person, group, place or feature, particularly identified with the public land or facility or of historical or cultural significance,
- Geographic location (neighborhood, streets, etc), and
- Natural features or resources.

Because the riverfront park is a prominent feature in the city and is the Legacy Project for the Centennial, staff altered the above process in a few small ways. First, the Riverfront Board was asked to join the PARB in reviewing the proposed names. And, second, all seven neighborhoods reviewed the three names proposed by PARB and the Riverfront Board.

10 people attended the October 14 combined meeting of the PARB and the Riverfront Board. Voting with dots, the group selected the following three names from the longer list to forward to the neighborhoods:

- Centennial Riverfront Park
- Milwaukie Riverfront Park
- Harlow Ferry Park

(See attached scoring sheet for information regarding the significance of each name.)

As of the date of this submittal three neighborhoods have reviewed the names and have ranked them as follows (1 is high and 3 is low):

Historic Milwaukie and Linwood

- 1) Milwaukie Riverfront Park
- 2) Harlow Ferry Park
- 3) Centennial Riverfront Park

Lewelling

- 1) Milwaukie Riverfront Park
- 2) Centennial Riverfront Park
- 3) Harlow Ferry Park

Concurrence

The Riverfront Board, the Park and Recreation Board, the Centennial Committee, and all Milwaukie neighborhoods have been included in this naming process.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact of this action.

Work Load Impacts

None.

Alternatives

1. Council may choose one of the names forwarded to them by the Park and Recreation Board.
2. Council may reject the names forwarded to them by the Park and Recreation Board in favor of a preferred name.

Riverfront Park Names

Centennial

Centennial Park (9)
Milwaukie Centennial Park (4)
Centennial Riverfront Park
Centennial Dogwood Park
Millennial Park

Legacy Theme

Legacy Park
Living Legacy Park
Heritage Park

Historic Person Names

Shindler Park (2) (First Mayor of Milwaukie)
Lot Whitcomb (2)
Whitcomb Waterfront Park
Whitcomb's Landing
Bings's Waterfront Park on the Willamette
Bing Cherry Waterfront Park
Bing Waterfront Recreational Park
Seth Lewelling Park

Modern Historic Person Names

Zumwalt Riverfront Park
Arlie Brown Riverfront Park
Klein Park
Bernard Milwaukie Riverfront Park
Lomnicki Riverside Park
Monroe Sweetland Park

Historic Landmark

Trestle Park
Trolley Park
Harlow Ferry Park

Renaissance

Renaissance Park (2)
Milwaukie Renaissance Park
Riverfront Renaissance Park

Natural Feature Names

Cottonwood Beach
Blue Heron Park
Green Leaf Park
Dogwood Esplanade
Blue Heron Riverside Park
Salmon Landing
Heron Park
Elk Rock Park

Milwaukie Oriented Name

Milwaukie Riverfront Park (2)
Milwaukie Water Walk
Milwaukie Green Way
The Milky Way
Milwaukie River Place (Park)
Milwaukie Bay Park
Milwaukie Promenade
Milwaukie Riverfront Park on the Willamette
Milwaukie Reclamation Park
Milwaukie Marina
Milwaukie on the Willamette
Milwaukie Landing
Milwaukie's River Retreat
Milwaukie Shores
Milwaukie Neighborhood Park
Milwaukie Heritage Park
Milwaukie Celebration Park
Millie's Walkway
Milly's Riverfront Walkway
Mil-Wila (Milwaukie and Willamette)
Milamet Park (or Marina)
Milwaukie Memorial Park

* Numbers in parenthesis indicate how many times that one name was submitted

River/Creek Theme

Willamette Way Park
 Willamette River's Cherry Park
 Willamette Cove Park and Garden
 Rivercity Park
 River Walk Park
 River Vista
 Riverfront Room
 Riverness Park
 Riversong Park
 River Run
 River Run Park
 Waterside Doorways
 Three Rivers Park
 Kellogg Creek Confluence
 Kellogg Creek-River Park
 Kellogg Park
 Sky-Water Park

Street/Road Theme

Mcloughlin Riverfront Park
 Mcloughlin Waterfront Park
 Jefferson Street Plaza
 Mcloughlin Willamette Park

Other

Possibility Park
 Indian Bow Park (aerial views looks like an arrow resting on the guide of a bow)
 President's Park (street names leading to park are all President names)
 Paddlewheel Park
 Citizen's Park
 Peace Park
 Rainbow Park
 Red Sky Landing
 Green Shore Park
 Celebration Riverfront Park

Not Sure of Theme

The Land of the Free/ Freedom Park
 Jet Ski Park
 Dog Gone Lake
 ICBIFA Park (I Can't Believe It's Finally a Park)
 Green Frog Park
 Ride Away Park

The PARB and Riverfront Board members felt strongly that the River be the focus of the name. Although there are three distinct names, each contains some element that refers to the river. Following is some information that may inform your decision:

- 2003 is Milwaukie's Centennial year. The City was incorporated in 1903. Development of the Riverfront Park was selected by the Centennial Committee as a "legacy" project. This project will build on the City's past with an eye toward our future.
- Milwaukie, Oregon derives its name from Milwaukee, Wisconsin which was named by the Pottawattomie tribe and means "meeting place of the waters". Kellogg Creek, Johnson Creek and at one time, the Clackamas River converge(d) with the Willamette near Milwaukie's Riverfront property.
- Lidia and Florian Harlow settled in Milwaukie in 1880 where they began the Harlow Ferry. This ferry ran along a cable and operated from Milwaukie Bay (near current boat ramp) across the Willamette to the "White House" on the opposite shore. The ferry ran for 17 years from 1880 to 1897. The PARB and Riverfront members noted that if this name was chosen that a ferry theme might be developed in the park.

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Neighborhood Association _____

RANK the following from 1 (low) to 3 (high).

Centennial Riverfront Park _____

Milwaukie Riverfront Park _____

Harlow Ferry Park _____

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TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Mike Swanson
DATE: November 21, 2003
RE: Consideration of New Meeting Schedule

Action Requested

The action requested is that Council schedule its work sessions and regular meetings on the same evening beginning in January 2004.

Background

Chapter VI, Section 20, Milwaukie Charter of 1975 provides that "[t]he council shall hold a regular meeting at least twice each month in the city at a time and place which it designates."

Section 2.04.070, Milwaukie Municipal Code provides that "[r]egular meetings shall be held on the first and third Tuesday of each month at seven p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall, 10722 SE Main. Regular meetings may be held at a different time and place by giving appropriate notice at least twenty-four hours in advance. Two regular meetings shall be held each month."¹

For some years it has been the Council's practice to separate the work session and regular meeting into two separate evenings. As is apparent from the above, there is not a requirement that this be so.

During my time as City Manager, I believe that we could comfortably have combined the work session and regular session into one evening more times than not. Often we have had a work session that occupied a couple of hours, but the regular session the next evening was less than one half hour in length.

¹ At the first meeting in January of each year the Council adopts a resolution setting the schedule and time of meetings for the year, and an agenda is published approximately one week in advance of the regular meeting. Thus, the different 6:00 P.M. starting time receives sufficient "appropriate notice."

The argument against combining them is the advantage provided by a work session that is scheduled a day prior to a regular session if there is an agenda item that gives rise to a question. That appears to be true on its face, but in the past few months, I have received more questions on agenda items in the time leading up to a work session than I have at a work session. In addition, we will most likely have to do a better job of scheduling briefings a couple of weeks before if we anticipate that an issue will be more complex than most.

I find that evening meetings are difficult. They are most certainly an integral part of the business. Any meeting, no matter how long, disrupts the remainder of the evening. It seems to me that we have an opportunity to combine two meetings without in any way adversely affecting the work we do for the City. I think we should devote some consideration to it.