

**CITY OF OREGON CITY  
CITY COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES**

**August 10, 2010**

1. [Convene Work Session of August 10, 2010, and Roll Call](#)

**Roll Call:** Mayor Alice Norris; Commissioner Doug Neeley; Commissioner Rocky Smith, Jr.; Commissioner Daphne Wuest; and Commissioner James Nicita.

**Staff Present:** David Frasher, City Manager; Ed Sullivan, City Attorney; Mike Conrad, Police Chief and Public Safety Director; Nancy Ide, City Recorder; Jim Loeffler, Human Resources Director; Maureen Cole, Library Director; Tony Konkol, Community Development Director; and David Wimmer, Finance Director.

Mayor Norris called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. [Future Agenda Items](#)

No future agenda items were suggested.

3. [Discussion Items](#)

a. [Review of Commission Policy 1-11, Reimbursement of Commission Expenses](#)

Nancy Ide, City Recorder, discussed the draft Commission Expense Policy which was a new policy that provided more financial accountability for the City and procedural help.

The Commission discussed expenses that could be reimbursed.

Commissioner Nicita thought a meal with a constituent or Commissioner should be reimbursable. The rest of the Commission thought a person could choose prudently as far as where the meeting would be held and it should not be reimbursed.

Commissioner Nicita asked about turning expenses in late. David Frasher, City Manager, said if it was an expense incurred before the new policy was adopted, it would be dealt with as it always had.

Wording would be changed regarding the Commission definition of business related expenses and brought back to the Commission for approval. The expenses would not exceed the total budgeted amount instead of indicating a specific amount allowed.

Ms. Ide asked if the Mayor should have a purchasing card to use for certain expenses. The Mayor did not see the need for a card.

b. [Charter Revision Timeline](#)

Mayor Norris said the revision of the Charter had been less important than other issues and a group of citizens had worked on updating the Charter several years ago. She thought the substantive

issues should be kept separate from the language updates and that it could be discussed again at goal setting.

The Commission did not want to bring this issue forward at this time, but suggested the next Commission discuss the Charter review.

c. **City Attorney Appointment Discussion**

Commissioner Neeley asked if there was a formal policy the Commission could adopt that if the majority of the Commission wanted the City Attorney to pursue an issue, the issue would be pursued.

Ed Sullivan, City Attorney, said that was the way he had been operating.

Mayor Norris wondered if it was time to discuss having an in house attorney. She asked Mr. Frasher about his experience with city attorneys.

Mr. Frasher said the principle issue was efficient use of the City Attorney office. He discussed the benefits of a contract City Attorney. It was a management challenge either way and he did not have a definitive opinion.

This would be held over to the next Commission goal setting meeting.

4. **City Manager's Report**

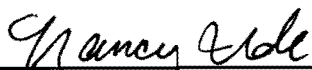
Mr. Frasher discussed a memo to Tony Konkol, Community Development Director, from David Evans Associates regarding the extra design work on the Cove site to enhance the shoreline. Mr. Konkol explained the extra work that had been done and recommendations for the Cove.

Commissioner Neeley said he had received many complaints about the construction on Warner Milne and he requested a report on the project.

5. **Adjournment**

Mayor Norris adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Nancy Ide, City Recorder