



Study Session

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Milwaukie City Council

COUNCIL STUDY SESSION

Public Safety Building (PSB) Community Room
3200 SE Harrison Street
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REVISED AGENDA

MARCH 12, 2019

(Revised March 7, 2019)

Note: times are estimates and are provided to help those attending meetings know when an agenda item will be discussed. Times are subject to change based on Council discussion.

Also Note: this meeting will not be broadcast or recorded.

REVISED: the start time of this meeting has been changed to 5:00 p.m.

1. **Council Goal Setting (5:00 p.m.)**
Staff: Ann Ober, City Manager

2. **Adjourn (6:00 p.m.)**

6:30 pm. Council Event: Officer of the Year Dinner

Following the Study Session members of Council will attend the Milwaukie Police Department's annual Officer of the Year Dinner at the Elks Lodge, 13121 SE McLoughlin Boulevard. The Council will take no action and the event will not be recorded.

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MINUTES

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Mayor Mark Gamba called the Council meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Present: Council President Angel Falconer; Councilors Lisa Batey Wilda Parks, Kathy Hyzy (via phone)

Staff: Assistant City Manager Kelly Brooks
City Attorney Justin Gericke

City Manager Ann Ober
City Recorder Scott Stauffer

1. Council Goal Setting

Ms. Ober reviewed previous goal discussions and noted that Council had agreed to keep climate action and housing affordability as goals. She explained that the group would discuss Milwaukie Bay Park and community engagement as possible goals.

Ms. Brooks provided an overview of what community engagement as a goal would mean in terms of staff support and events. She noted the popularity of city events and project outreach activities and commented on the need for event training. **Ms. Ober** remarked on the growth of project engagement activities. The group discussed how focusing on community engagement would enhance staff outreach efforts. **Ms. Ober** suggested staff would develop the community engagement focus if it became a goal.

Councilor Parks remarked on the importance of public engagement. **Ms. Ober** noted the training, networking, and consulting services offered by the International Association of Public Participation. **Councilor Batey** and **Council President Falconer** discussed the community's appreciation for city events and outreach activities.

Councilor Hyzy commented on the benefits of investing in staff training. The group remarked on the need for training and hiring consultants to run certain projects. **Mayor Gamba** discussed the growth and success of events and outreach activities and the need to focus on facilitating community conversations on many topics.

Ms. Ober reported that staff had met with Lewelling Neighborhood District Association (NDA) representatives about the Christmas Ships Viewing and Winter Solstice event. She remarked that the city would continue to lead the event and suggested that additional resources were needed to sustain and grow city events.

Ms. Brooks asked for feedback on the community engagement goal. **Councilor Batey** believed the goal would fund additional event staff which she saw as separate from community engagement training. **Ms. Brooks** and **Ms. Ober** discussed the need to increase event support and provide training that would allow staff to focus on engagement and not just logistics. **Councilor Parks** and **Council President Falconer** commented on investing in staff and creating a team of engagement specialists.

Ms. Brooks and **Ms. Ober** discussed the ongoing work to fund and complete Milwaukie Bay Park. **Councilor Batey** noted the city's statements that the park would be finished by 2022. She suggested Council owed the community another year of effort to finish the project. **Councilor Parks** noted the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District's (NCPRD's) District Advisory Board (DAB) planned to develop a set of priorities for the park that could be funded and built over the next five years.

Ms. Ober remarked on the city's and NCPRD's commitment to seek park funding. The group commented on possible Metro and/or NCPRD bond funding and the potential impact of the litigation between NCPRD and the City of Happy Valley.

Ms. Brooks discussed community engagement as a strategic priority and commented on the park as a regional funding opportunity. **Councilor Batey** asked about the city's approach to seeking funds from Metro. **Ms. Brooks** remarked on the effort city and county leaders would make to seek regional funding. **Councilor Hyzy** suggested the project was more of an objective under a larger goal than a goal by itself. She expressed support for seeking funds for the park and removing the Kellogg Creek dam.

Councilor Batey suggested the park as a goal did not depend on NCPRD's involvement in the project. She commented on the need for a community discussion about revising the project scope and timeline. She expressed support for the city's plans to approach Metro for funding and suggested the park may not need to be a goal in a year. She reported that some community members had interpreted Council's previous goal setting discussion to mean that the city's Park and Recreation Board (PARB) no longer had a role in completing the park, which she thought was incorrect. **Council President Falconer** agreed that community conversations about the park needed to happen and disagreed that Council had meant that PARB no longer had a role in the project. She remarked that PARB would play a role in the project as the city sought funding. The group discussed the roles of PARB, NCPRD, and the city in seeking funds to finish the park. They commented on how other cities and parks districts function.

Councilor Parks remarked that if the park was not a goal, the city would continue to seek funding to finish the project. She suggested if community engagement were not made a goal, the city's events and outreach activities could be scaled back. **Councilor Batey** expressed concern that if the park was not a goal it would not get as much staff attention. **Councilor Parks** and **Ms. Ober** noted that previous goals were still being worked on and implemented by staff although they were no longer goals.

Ms. Brooks and **Ms. Ober** commented on staff's strategic approach and ability to seek park funding. The group remarked on the timelines of planned regional bond measures.

Council President Falconer suggested Council should not adopt a place holder goal when other projects could be prioritized. She asked what the city would do differently if the park were to continue to be a goal. **Ms. Ober** suggested staff would look for direction from Council. **Mayor Gamba** remarked on the value of a project being made a goal in terms of developing a plan and seeking funds. He remarked on the need to fund the park and the timing challenges associated with bond measures. **Councilor Batey** noted that funding was part of a goal and that scaling the project was also part of it. **Councilor Parks** noted the DAB's role in scaling the park project. **Ms. Brooks** noted NCPRD's public engagement work and role in seeking funds for the park.

Ms. Ober summarized there was a 4:1 Council majority in favor of adopting community engagement as a goal. She noted that Council could also decide to adopt two goals.

Councilor Batey noted she was the only one in favor of keeping the park as a goal.

Councilors Hyzy and Parks expressed support for making community engagement a goal while continuing to seek funding for the park in conjunction with the DAB's work.

Mayor Gamba suggested the park would remain a priority for the city as regional efforts are made to fund the project. He expressed support for making community engagement a goal to support city events and the climate action and housing goals.

Council President Falconer agreed that the park would remain a priority. She expressed concern about the city's community engagement work and the need to invest in staff and events to meet public expectations. **Councilor Batey** suggested the community had expectations about the park being finished. **Council President Falconer** reiterated that the park would remain a priority and expressed concern that Council conversations about the park had misled community members. She remarked on the importance of holding open community discussions. She and **Councilor Batey** noted the need to train staff to facilitate robust community discussions on housing.

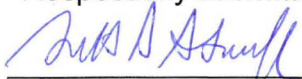
Councilor Batey agreed there was a 4:1 Council majority for making community engagement a goal over the park. She suggested that the goal adoption resolution not be on the consent agenda as she would want to comment on it. She suggested that the climate action and housing goals would no longer be goals in two years. **Ms. Ober** remarked on funding and implementation strategies related to the housing and climate action goals.

Ms. Ober noted Ms. Brooks' and the PARB's work on the park. She and **Councilor Parks** thanked PARB and Ms. Brooks for their work on the project.

2. Adjourn

Mayor Gamba adjourned the Study Session at 6:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Scott Stauffer, City Recorder

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Implications for implementation

Full Program – Plan for NCPRD Bond Measure



Base Program with future phasing



Base Program

