



CITY OF OREGON CITY

CITY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES

Virtual Only Meeting
Tuesday, December 28, 2021 at 5:30 PM

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION

1. CONVENE MEETING AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Lyles Smith convened the meeting at 5:32 PM.

PRESENT: 4 - Mayor Rachel Lyles Smith, Commissioner Adam Marl, Commissioner Denyse McGriff, Commissioner Frank O'Donnell

ABSENT: 1 - Commissioner Rocky Smith

STAFFERS: 4 - Human Resources Director Patrick Foiles, City Recorder Jakob Wiley, City Attorney Bill Kabeiseman, and Finance Director Matt Zook

2. GENERAL BUSINESS

2a. Opioid Settlement Agreement with Multiple Opioid Distributors

Bill Kabeiseman, City Attorney, presented the staff report. Oregon City has been asked to sign onto a settlement agreement with several opioid distributors and manufacturers and other jurisdictions in the state of Oregon. By entering into the settlement, the city could receive up to \$487,606.00 to be used for "opioid remediation," which could include a variety of prevention and treatment strategies for opioid addiction. Entering into the settlement agreement would settle and waive all claims against the settling manufacturers and distributors for the impacts of their activities with regard to opioids. This litigation has been pending for some time, and a settlement was being discussed this summer, however, the city received the final settlement documents very recently and the settlement requires the city to sign onto the settlement no later than January 2, 2022. Mr. Kabeiseman reviewed the pros and cons of entering into the settlement agreement.

Commissioner McGriff asked if a city discussion at a work session meeting on how to spend the settlement amount would be proper and Mr. Kabeiseman indicated a work session discussion on spending priorities would be appropriate.

Commissioner McGriff asked Finance Director Matt Zook how the revenue would be tracked and Mr. Zook indicated the funds would be a separate line item in the city budget with separate tracking.

Mr. Kabeiseman indicated the first allotment of the funds would be received in approximately April of 2022.

Mayor Lyles Smith asked regarding the appropriate wording of a motion and Mr. Kabeiseman provided information.

Commissioner Marl commented that he would like to see the city make a firm and wise commitment to allocating the funds.

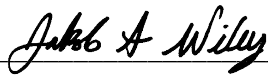
Motion made by Commissioner McGriff, seconded by Commissioner Marl, to authorize the City to sign into the proposed settlement agreement with several opioid distributors and manufacturers and other jurisdictions in the State of Oregon regarding the distribution and use of settlement funds. The motion carried with the following vote:

Yea: Commissioner McGriff, Commissioner O'Donnell, Commissioner Marl, and Mayor Lyles Smith.

3. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Lyles Smith adjourned the meeting at 5:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jakob A. Wiley", is written over a horizontal line.

Jakob Wiley, City Recorder