

# CITY OF OREGON CITY CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Commission Chambers, Libke Public Safety Facility, 1234 Linn Ave, Oregon City Wednesday, June 07, 2023 at 7:00 PM

#### 1. CONVENE MEETING AND ROLL CALL

Mayor McGriff convened the meeting at 7:04 PM.

**PRESENT: 5 –** Commissioner Rocky Smith, Commissioner Adam Marl, Commissioner Frank

O'Donnell, Commissioner Mike Mitchell, Mayor Denyse McGriff

STAFFERS: 12 - City Manager Tony Konkol, City Recorder Jakob Wiley, Economic Development

Manager James Graham, Finance Director Matt Zook, Human Resources Director Patrick Foiles, Senior Planner Christina Robertson-Gardiner, Assistant Public Works Director Vance Walker, Deputy Finance Director Erin Wilke, Communications Manager Jarrod Lyman, IT Director Mike Dobaj, Police Captain

Shaun Davis, Community Development Director Aquilla Hurd-Ravich

#### 2. FLAG SALUTE

#### 3. CEREMONIES AND PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor McGriff expressed condolences to the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde for the passing of Catherine Harrison.

## 3a. Oath of Office for Oregon City Police Officers

Shaun Davis, Police Captain, introduced the officers.

Mayor McGriff administered the oath of office to Sergent Lemons, Officer Bergland, Officer Davis, Officer Griffin, Officer Hoover, Officer Kelly-Musich, Officer Oden, and Officer Main

The commission adjourned from 7:18 PM – 7:57 PM for an Executive Session.

#### 3b. 2023 Juneteenth Proclamation

Mayor McGriff read the proclamation declaring June 19, 2023 as Juneteenth Day.

#### 4. CITIZEN COMMENTS

David Goldberg, resident of Oregon City, discussed the good budget process and future funding needs for the library.

#### 5. PRESENTATIONS

 Oregon City Travel Behavior and Perception Survey (how people get downtown) -Summary of Findings

Christina Robertson-Gardiner, Senior Planner, introduced the item and consultants William Reynolds and

Rick Williams.

Mr. Williams gave a background on the survey and discussed its role to identify the strengths and weaknesses of Oregon City's transportation systems. He gave an overview of rounds 1 and 2 of the survey, incentives, and distribution.

Mr. Reynolds discussed the survey findings including how the commute patterns were similar pre and post pandemic, there was a consistent mode split between years, walking in downtown was a key feature and attraction, there was a desire for long term parking and improved payment options, and there were no significant changes in the perceptions of transit/bike facilities.

Mr. Williams said the next steps would be to conduct a follow-up Travel and Behavior Perception Survey after the courthouse relocated out of downtown.

#### 6. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion made by Commissioner Smith, Seconded by Commissioner Marl, to add the Park Place Concept Plan litigation to the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Marl, Commissioner O'Donnell, Commissioner Mitchell, Mayor McGriff

The agenda was adopted as amended.

#### 7. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Commissioner Smith, Seconded by Commissioner Mitchell, to adopt the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Marl, Commissioner O'Donnell, Commissioner Mitchell, Mayor McGriff

- 7a. Park Place Park Property Acquisition Proposal
- 7b. Public Works Street Division Replacement Vehicle #460 Freightliner Thermo-Lay Pothole Patch Truck
- 7c. 624 7<sup>th</sup> Street Parking Lot Use Agreement
- 7d. Intergovernmental Agreement with Clackamas County for the Clackamas County Regional Advanced Transportation Controller (ATC) and Signal Optimization Project
- 7e. Resolution No. 23-14, Establishing Eligibility to Receive State Revenues
- 7f. Minutes of the April 11, 2023 City Commission Work Session
- 7g. Minutes of the March 15, 2023 City Commission Work Session Minutes
- 7h. Minutes of the March 7, 2023 City Commission Work Session
- 7i. Minutes of the September 28, 2015 City Commission Special Meeting
- 7j. Minutes of the January 7, 2015 City Commission Meeting

### 8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

# 8a. Appealing the Icon Construction v. Oregon City Litigation

Bill Kabeiseman, City Attorney, said LUBA made their decision on the Park Place Concept Plan appeal and remanded it to the city on a variety of issues. He explained the issues that were listed in the decision.

Jesse Buss, resident of Oregon City and representative of the Park Place Neighborhood Association, said the neighborhood association was not inclined to proceed with an appeal on their own. He urged the commission to appeal to the Court of Appeals on behalf of the city.

Linda Van Haverbeke, resident of Oregon City and member of the Park Place Neighborhood Association, urged the commission to appeal the LUBA decision. The neighborhood had done all they could do with their limited resources, and they would have to live with whatever decisions were made.

Jackie Hammond-Williams, resident of Oregon City and member of the Park Place Neighborhood Association, requested the commission appeal the LUBA decision. The Park Place Concept Plan needed to be followed. This was the biggest housing development in the history of the city, and the Concept Plan was essential, especially for the north/south connector.

The commission discussed whether or not to appeal and concerns with LUBA's decision.

Motion made by Commissioner Marl, Seconded by Commissioner Mitchell, to appeal the LUBA decision to the Court of Appeals. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Marl, Commissioner O'Donnell, Commissioner Mitchell, Mayor McGriff

8b. Resolution No. 23-15, Declaring Oregon City's Election to Receive State Revenues

Mayor McGriff opened the public hearing.

Matt Zook, Finance Director, said this was an opportunity for the public to give input on the uses of State shared revenues the city would receive. Staff recommended using the funds for General Fund purposes.

There was no public comment.

Mayor McGriff closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Commissioner Mitchell, Seconded by Commissioner Marl, to approve Resolution No. 23-15, declaring Oregon City's election to receive state revenues. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Marl, Commissioner O'Donnell, Commissioner Mitchell, Mayor McGriff

8c. Resolution No. 23-12, Adopting the Budget, Making Appropriations, Imposing Taxes and Categorizing Taxes for the 2023-2025 Biennium

Mayor McGriff opened the public hearing.

Mr. Zook said there were some errors in the budget approved by the Budget Committee that had been corrected. He explained the adjustments that were made.

Bob LaSalle, resident of Oregon City and Chair of the Citizen Involvement Committee (CIC), expressed

the CIC's concern about having only one way to communicate with citizens, through postcards. He discussed how he was promoting other options and asked for an increase in the budget.

Mayor McGriff said the neighborhoods were not spending all the money in the budget currently and she did not see a need for an increase.

Tony Konkol, City Manager, explained that any carryover was reallocated back to the General Fund and redistributed for the new biennium. There was one line item for the CIC for neighborhoods to use, not separate line items for each neighborhood association. In years past, neighborhoods had not spent all the money allocated.

Commissioner Mitchell suggested increasing the allocation from \$60,000 to \$72,000. Commissioner Smith supported the suggestion.

Commissioner Marl encouraged the neighborhoods to look at other modes of communication.

Commissioner O'Donnell did not think an increase was necessary at this time and that more funds could be allocated later if needed.

Mayor McGriff closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Commissioner Mitchell, Seconded by Mayor McGriff, to approve Resolution No. 23-12, adopting the budget, making appropriations, imposing taxes and categorizing taxes for the 2023-2025 Biennium as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Marl, Commissioner O'Donnell, Commissioner Mitchell, Mayor McGriff

#### 9. GENERAL BUSINESS

## 10. COMMUNICATIONS

## 11. City Manager

None.

#### 12. Commissioners

Commissioner Marl reported on the C4 Retreat.

Commissioner O'Donnell thought the recent budget process was a success.

Commissioner Smith commented that Jack Hammond of Clackamas Heritage Partners had recently passed away. School was almost out, and he announced June was PRIDE month.

## 13. Mayor

Mayor McGriff discussed Clackamas County eliminating the DEI budget.

## 14. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McGriff adjourned the meeting at 9:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jakob S. Wiley, City Recorder