

City of Brookings

MEETING Minutes

CITY COUNCIL

Monday, May 10, 2010

City Hall Council Chambers, 898 Elk Drive, Brookings, OR 97415

Council met in Executive Session at 6:00pm in the City Manager's office under ORS 192.660 (2)(e), "to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions."

Call to Order

Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Roll Call

Council Present: Mayor Larry Anderson, Councilors Ron Hedenskog, Dave Gordon, Jake Pieper, and Brent Hodges; a quorum present.

Staff Present: City Manager Gary Milliman, Administrative Services Director Janell Howard, Police Chief Chris Wallace, Planning Director Dianne Morris, Lieutenant Donny Dotson, Sergeant Terry Murray, Dispatcher Cameron Lynn, Senior Planner Donna Colby-Hanks, City Attorney Martha Rice and City Recorder Joyce Heffington.

Others Present: Curry Coastal Pilot Reporter Arwyn Rice and approximately 18 public.

Councilor Gordon moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to remove Item H.2 from the [Consent Calendar portion of the] Agenda.

Ceremonies/Announcements

Mayor Anderson recognized Senior Planner Donna Colby-Hanks for her 5 years of service and Police Dispatcher Cameron Lynn, for his 30 years of service.

Mayor Anderson proclaimed the week of May 23 through May 29 as Drug Awareness Week.

Public Hearings

Mayor Anderson opened the public hearing in the matter of File LDC-1-10, proposing revisions to Brookings Municipal Code Section 17.08.160, Definitions, at 7:13pm.

Hearing no exparte, declarations of conflict or personal interest, nor objections as to jurisdiction, Mayor Anderson reviewed the guidelines and Planning Director Morris reviewed the staff report. There were no public comments and the hearing was closed at 7:17pm.

Councilor Hedenskog moved, a second followed, and Council voted unanimously to approve revisions to Section 17.08.160, Definitions, P, to read; "Planned Community" - previously Planned Unit Development, means a development that receives approval to allow a greater variety in relationships between buildings and open space. The standards for Planned Communities can be found in Chapter 17.116, BMC. The terms "Planned Community," and "Planned Unit Development," are synonymous as used in Title 17, BMC.

Staff Reports

City Manager Milliman reviewed the staff report regarding the Fir Street Local Improvement District request.

Dan Harrison, 423 Fir Street, generally stated that the residents of Fir Street hope that this matter is quickly moved forward and thanked the City Manager for his help.

Councilor Hodges asked if the City would lose the cost of having the report done should the residents decide not to move forward if the and the City Manager responded that, yes, it would.

Mayor Anderson stated that while he can support the proposal, he would like to see the street placement, its position within the right of way, and how storm water drainage will be incorporated into the design on paper, before spending \$8,500 on an engineering report. Anderson also expressed concern about establishing a precedent with the installation of a street light and cluster mailboxes.

Councilor Pieper stated, based on previous Council discussions, that it seemed to him, "...there was some...willingness to put in street replacement fund money and since we are dictated as to what we can spend that on, if there is one dollar that's spent on improvements that is not in the curb, gutter or sidewalk, it sounds like it's a no deal. So, if...the property owners are not willing to budge on that point...it seems like a waste of the \$8,500, unless I've heard the Council wrong and we are willing to spend improvement money?"

Discussion ensued as to what constituted a street improvement versus a street replacement. City Manager Milliman stated that various gradients of street construction would apply. An improvement, Milliman said, typically makes a street serviceable: if a street has a good base and needs resurfacing, that is an improvement; rebuilding a failed street would be a replacement; and adding capacity would be an improvement that would qualify for System Development funds.

Mayor Anderson added that if the street at its existing 25' width were replaced, it would use replacement funds and that any additional width would come from capacity funds. Anderson also stated that he did not think the question was one of funding, but rather what was to be done and the location of the right of way.

Councilor Gordon stated that he had no problem using the appropriate funds, but felt the street should be incorporated into the Pavement Management System Plan (PMP) and prioritized and asked if there was any way that the residents could pay for the engineering report.

City Manager Milliman pointed out that the PMP was completed in 2008, before Fir Street was used as a detour during the Constitution Way intersection reconfiguration, and that the PMP afforded flexibility from year to year. Milliman also stated that, according to the Code, it is the City's responsibility to pay for the report.

Mayor Anderson asked Council to consider a request for additional data regarding the right-of-way before moving forward with the expense of an engineering report.

Mayor Anderson moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to direct staff to develop a rudimentary design limited to the right of way lay-out and to the proposed street location within that right of way.

Chief Wallace and Lt. Dotson reviewed the staff report regarding Traffic Safety Committee recommendations.

During discussion Lt. Dotson pointed out that ODOT had added a "yield" sign to the reconfigured Constitution Way intersection, improving conditions there, but the intersection is still not as safe as it could be.

Mayor Anderson pointed out that a standard parking lane is 8 feet.

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to approve recommendations of the Traffic Safety Committee to install a crosswalk across Ransom Avenue at the intersection of Pioneer Street and Ransom Avenue.

Councilor Hedenskog moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to recommend Fifth Street back to the Traffic Safety Committee to analyze different striping techniques and different widths and eliminating parking on the west side of Fifth.

Councilor Hedenskog moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to make no change at this time concluding that there is a yield sign for the left turn onto Old County Road; might address this again in the future.

City Manager Milliman reviewed the staff report regarding a Snack Shack addition at Bud Cross Park by the Brookings Little League.

Councilor Hedenskog moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to authorize the Brookings Little League to construct an addition to the exiting snack shack at Bud Cross Park to provide for additional storage and to rebuild the existing equipment storage building.

Director Howard reviewed the staff report regarding an amendment to a Water Improvements Project Funding agreement. City Manager Milliman pointed out that some of the projects may be modified as the engineers work through them; in one case one of the proposed waterlines has already been constructed.

Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to authorize the Mayor to sign Amendment Number 1 to the Special Public Works Fund, Brookings Water Improvements, Project Number B07004.

City Manager Milliman reviewed the staff report regarding a deed of County property, located on Mountain Drive, to the City, explaining that the property is located where the City operates a water storage tank.

Councilor Hedenskog moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to authorize Mayor to sign bargain and sale deed for Tax Lot 100, Assessors Map Number 40-13-2808 and subsequent recording fee attached to that; \$56.00.

Consent Calendar

Approve Council minutes for April 26, 2010.


Councilor Pieper moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar as written.

Adjournment

Councilor Gordon moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to adjourn by voice vote at 8:31pm.

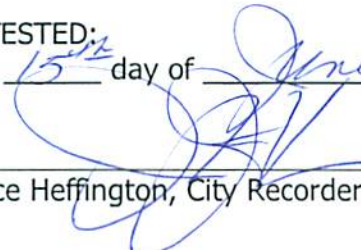
A meeting of the Urban Renewal Agency immediately followed.

Respectfully submitted:



Larry Anderson, Mayor

ATTESTED:
this 15th day of June 2010:



Joyce Heffington, City Recorder