

MINUTES
City of Brookings
Common Council Meeting

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

Monday, October 8, 2007

At 6:00pm, Council met for a workshop to discuss the County's response to the City's request regarding the Mixed Used Master Plan Zone.

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

Council Present: Mayor Pat Sherman, Council President Larry Anderson, Councilors Dave Gordon, Ron Hedenskog and Jan Willms; a quorum present.

Staff Present: City Manager Gary Milliman, Planning Director Dianne Morris, Public Works Director John Cowan, Police Lieutenant John Bishop, City Attorney John Trew, Sergeant Mike Cooper, Police Officer Donny Dotson, Police Officer Terry Murray and Administrative Assistant Joyce Heffington.

Other: Approximately 6 public

Media Present: Curry Pilot Reporter Valiant Corley

Change in Order of Business

Councilor Willms moved, a second followed, and Council voted unanimously to move Agenda item IX-A [the adoption of Ordinance 07-O-594] to V-C [to follow immediately after the public hearings].

Ceremonies/Appointments/Announcements

Mayor Sherman introduced new Police Department employee, Officer Terry Murray, and recognized Police Department employee, Officer Donny Dotson, for his ten years of service to the City.

Councilor Gordon moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to appoint City Manager Gary Milliman to serve as alternate to Oregon Coastal Zone Management Association (OCZMA).

Councilor Willms moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to accept Hayley Farr's resignation from Parks and Recreation Commission [Position #6 and direct staff to advertise the position].

Public Hearings

Mayor Sherman announced the continuance of the public hearing for File #LDC-2-06, revisions to Title 17, Chapters 17.170, Street Standards, of the Brookings Municipal Code.

Planning Director Morris reviewed the most recent language changes.

Hearing no public input, Mayor Sherman closed the public hearing at 7:08pm.

Fire Chief Sharp generally stated that he found the changes acceptable.

Councilor Hedenskog said that by allowing developers to choose which option they wished to use in the instance of a turnaround, developers would ultimately choose the least costly option. He also restated that his concern, expressed at the last meeting, was the increased size in the cul-de-sac.

Planning Director Morris generally stated that the Land Development Code Committee proposed to have all options available with the choice to be left with the developer.

Fire Chief Sharp said that it was his understanding that the Site Plan Committee would still have input as to which turnaround configuration would be used and that he did not support having the final decision be the developer's.

Councilor Anderson generally stated that the chart provides definitive standards while allowing developers to choose between options that meet the State's fire code.

Mayor Sherman moved, a second followed, and Council voted unanimously to adopt Section 17.170, Street Standards, Brookings Municipal Code, Table 17.170.060, the section having to do with Standard Minimum Right-of-Way and Roadway Width, describing "Access Road Turnaround" (cul-de-sac) and Appendix D of the Fire Apparatus Access Roads.

Mayor Sherman announced the continued public hearing on File #LDC-1-07, revisions to Title 17, Chapter 17.92, Off-Street Parking and Loading Regulations, Brookings Municipal Code.

Planning Director Morris stated that, generally, the Land Development Code Committee felt that enacting in-lieu parking fees would deter future development in the Downtown Core Area. The proposed ordinance, Morris further stated, allows Council to enact in-lieu parking space construction fees by resolution whenever it deems necessary, and exempts the Downtown Core Area, as identified on Map 17.92.030-1, from off-street parking requirements.

Mayor Sherman closed the public hearing at 7:26pm.

Ordinances

Mayor Sherman introduced for adoption Ordinance 07-O-594, an ordinance amending Chapter 17.92, Off-Street Parking and Loading Regulations of the Brookings Municipal Code.

Councilor Gordon moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to do a first reading of Ordinance 07-O-594 by title only.

City Attorney Trew read the title.

Councilor Willms moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to do a second reading of Ordinance 07-O-594 by title only.

City Attorney Trew read the title.

Council President Anderson moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to adopt Ordinance 07-O-594, an ordinance amending Chapter 17.92, Off-Street Parking and Loading Regulations of the Brookings Municipal Code.

Council Liaison Reports

Mayor Sherman attended meetings of the Brookings Harbor Health Fair and Easy Manor Park Subcommittee, and attended the Annual League of Oregon Cities Conference and a Harris Beach Park Volunteer Picnic.

Councilor Anderson attended two city meetings and a workshop sponsored by the County on erosion and sediment control.

Councilor Willms attended meetings of the Brookings Harbor Health Fair, the Parks and Recreation Commission, the Curry County Recycling Committee, the Sutter Coast Hospital Board, and the Easy Manor Park Subcommittee.

Public Comments

Jim Relaford, 817 Easy Street, thanked Council for its financial support of the annual Slam'n Salmon Ocean Derby and presented a brief report. A copy of the report is on file with the agenda packet.

Regular Agenda

Mayor Sherman reported on her Memo to Council regarding the information she received from Louise Solliday, Director of the Department of State Lands and ex-officio member for the Oregon Ocean Policy Advisory Council (OPAC) on the proposed Oregon Marine Reserves.

Discussion ensued with Council agreeing that a letter should be written addressing a variety of concerns and questions including, in general, the scientifically supported need for establishing Marine Reserves off of the Oregon coast, the methodology to be used for monitoring and measuring their effectiveness, the need to possibly mitigate any adverse affects the reserves might have on the local economy, the even division of the reserves along the coast, and the filling of the vacant County Commissioner OPAC seat.

Port Commissioner Jim Relaford, generally stated that coastal waters in southern Oregon are already being strictly and successfully managed by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife; that the waters along the Curry County coast are some of the most regulated fisheries on the West coast; that he had not been able to find any data to support the need to establish Marine Reserves in the area; and that no mitigation appeared to be planned to counter any adverse affects the establishment of Marine Reserves would have on the area's economy. Specifically, Relaford requested that Council's letter ask why these reserves are even being considered.

Councilor Anderson moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to direct Councilor Willms to write a strong letter stating the concerns expressed [at the meeting] to be sent to the Governor and OPAC.

Public Works Director Cowan reviewed the Parks and Recreation Commission's recommendation to revise the ordinance delineating the number of times a Parks and Recreation Commissioner may be absent from meetings from two consecutive unexcused absences to three absences within a calendar year.

After some discussion, Council generally agreed that changing it to three meetings in a calendar year would be unnecessarily restrictive.

Council President Anderson moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to deny the [Parks and Recreation Commission's] recommendation as proposed [to change the code regarding absences from two consecutive unexcused absences to three in a calendar year].

City Manager Milliman reviewed the updated Memorandum of Understanding and Intergovernmental Agreement with the Harbor Sanitary District for sewage treatment.

Councilor Gordon moved, a second followed, and Council voted unanimously to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding with the Harbor Sanitary District and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreements on behalf of the City.

Consent Calendar

- A. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes for September 24, 2007.
- B. Approval of Planning Commission Minutes for:
 - 1. September 4, 2007
 - 2. September 18, 2007
- C. Approval of vouchers for September, 2007 in the amount of \$332,839.46.

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

Resolutions

City Manager Milliman reviewed the proposed changes to the City's Parks Use Rules and Regulations.

Councilor Willms moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously to adopt Resolution 07-R-777, a resolution adopting Rules and Regulations for City parks.

Remarks

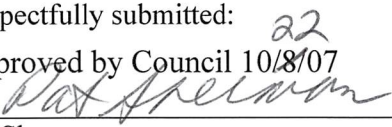
Mayor Sherman remarked that she would be scheduling a workshop to discuss a few topics of interest from the information she received at the League of Oregon Cities Conference.

Adjournment

Councilor Willms moved, a second followed and Council voted unanimously by voice vote to adjourn to a meeting of the Urban Renewal Agency at 8:42pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved by Council 10/8/07



Pat Sherman
Mayor

ATTEST by City Recorder
this 22 day of Oct., 2007:



Joyce Heffington
Interim City Recorder