

<u>Mayor</u> Casey Ryan

#### City Council

David Ripma Randy Lauer Larry Morgan Glenn White Rich Allen Zach Hudson

City Manager
Ray Young

# CITY OF TROUTDALE

"Gateway to the Columbia River Gorge"

# **AGENDA**

# CITY COUNCIL - REGULAR MEETING

Troutdale City Hall - Council Chambers
219 E. Historic Columbia River Hwy. (Lower Level, Rear Entrance)
Troutdale, OR 97060-2078

Tuesday, June 13, 2017 - 7:00PM

- 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL, AGENDA UPDATE.
- 2. CONSENT AGENDA:
  - **2.1 MINUTES:** May 9, 2017 City Council Regular Meeting and May 23, 2017 City Council Regular Meeting.
  - **2.2 RESOLUTION:** A resolution supporting the passage of a 2017 State Transportation Funding Package to maintain and preserve Oregon's statewide Transportation System.
  - 2.3 RESOLUTION: A resolution amending the Capital Improvement Plan Salmon Creek Weir Improvement Project cost and description, and authorizing the negotiation of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Sandy Drainage Improvement Company.
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT: Public comment is limited to comments on non-agenda items. Remarks shall be limited to 5 minutes for each speaker unless a different time is allowed by the Mayor. The Mayor and Council should avoid immediate and protracted response to citizen comments.
- 4. PRESENTATION: A presentation from Troutdale Elementary School on their 2016-17 school year and goals going into next school year.

  Ed Krankowski, Principal
- 5. REQUEST: A request for the City to provide sponsorship for Summerfest.

  Karen Young, West Columbia Gorge Chamber of Commerce
- 6. REQUEST: A request for the City to provide sponsorship for the Cruise In.

  Terry Smoke, Troutdale General Store

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- 7. **RESOLUTION:** A resolution approving amendments to the Levee Ready Columbia cost-sharing Intergovernmental Agreements.
- **8. PUBLIC HEARING / RESOLUTIONS:** A public hearing, and 2 resolutions providing for State Shared Revenue for Fiscal Year 2017-2018:
  - 8.1 A resolution certifying the City of Troutdale's eligibility to receive Fiscal Year 2017-2018 State Shared Revenues.
  - **8.2** A resolution declaring the City of Troutdale's *election* to receive State Shared Revenues for Fiscal Year 2017-2018. *Erich Mueller, Finance Director*
- 9. PUBLIC HEARING / RESOLUTIONS: A public hearing on the following resolutions:
  - **9.1** A resolution adopting the City of Troutdale's Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Annual Budget and making appropriations.
  - **9.2** A resolution imposing and categorizing Ad Valorem Taxes for Fiscal Year 2017-2018. *Erich Mueller, Finance Director*
- 10. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS
- 11. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS
- 12. ADJOURNMENT

Casey Ryan, Mayor

Dated:

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#### **MINUTES**

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# Tuesday, June 13, 2017 – 7:00PM

# 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL, AGENDA UPDATE.

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

PRESENT: Mayor Ryan, Councilor Ripma, Councilor Lauer, Councilor Morgan,

Councilor White, Councilor Allen and Councilor Hudson.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: Ray Young, City Manager; Kenda Schlaht, Deputy City Recorder; Erich

Mueller, Finance Director and Ed Trompke, City Attorney.

GUESTS: See Attached List.

Mayor Ryan asks, are there any agenda updates?

Ray Young, City Manager, responds everything is good as written.

#### 2. CONSENT AGENDA:

- **2.1 MINUTES:** May 9, 2017 City Council Regular Meeting and May 23, 2017 City Council Regular Meeting.
- 2.2 RESOLUTION: A resolution supporting the passage of a 2017 State Transportation Funding Package to maintain and preserve Oregon's statewide Transportation System. Pulled from the Consent Agenda and moved to the Regular Agenda after Item #9.
- **2.3 RESOLUTION:** A resolution amending the Capital Improvement Plan Salmon Creek Weir Improvement Project cost and description, and authorizing the negotiation of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Sandy Drainage Improvement Company.

Councilor Ripma asks, could I request 2.2 be taken off and discussed?

Mayor Ryan responds yes, we'll pull 2.2 and do 2.1 and 2.3.

Councilor Allen asks, where will we be putting 2.2 on the agenda?

Ed Trompke, City Attorney, states, technically it's supposed to go much later in the agenda.

MOTION: Councilor Allen moved to approve the Consent Agenda items 2.1 and 2.3. Seconded by Councilor Ripma.

VOTE: Mayor Ryan – Yes; Councilor White – Yes; Councilor Allen – Yes; Councilor Hudson – Yes; Councilor Ripma – Yes; Councilor Lauer – Yes and Councilor Morgan - Yes.

Motion passes 7-0.

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Saul Pompello, Gresham resident, states I own Ristorante Di Pompello in Troutdale. I want to comment about some issues this Saturday in Troutdale. There will be an event and they want to block the street. I want to make sure my employees can park in the back. I have caterers and I need to figure OUT how to get in the back. I want to make sure traffic control will tell people participating in the event to park far away so customers can park close.

Mayor Ryan states to Capree Dorr, I thank you guys for coming tonight. It's the first time you've been here. I do have to brag a little bit about your daughter. I just found out that she's good enough to be chosen for the USA National Tournament Team at 12U. How many players are on that?

Capree Dorr, Troutdale resident, responds it's 300 girls across the United States. They're basically focusing on the 12U age group for the Junior Olympics. She has the opportunity to possibly go to the Junior Olympics.

Capree Dorr states we're here to try to get an agreement for Reynolds Little League ball fields over at the high school. We've had a few issues with trying to get a contract going with them. That's our main concern right now.

Vern Loftis, Fairview resident, states Reynolds Little League and the City of Troutdale both have a great working relationship over the past decade for use of Imagination Station and the fields. We decided we wanted to start up softball. Softball is not available in the Reynolds District. Basically all the fields are locked up by ASA. We need to basically create our own field. We went to Little League and told them we're trying to develop softball in the Troutdale area and we have a couple of opportunities on how to develop softball. We got a \$15,000.00 grant for improving a field. We looked at all the fields in the area and the field that looks the best for us with the infrastructure already there is an unused field at Reynolds High School. A long time ago it was the old Columbia High School baseball field. There's graffiti and trash all over. The bleachers are falling down. We've got the infrastructure there already, concessions, equipment and the field maintenance equipment. We have everything sitting right there. It doesn't make sense for us to go build a brand new field and everything. Plus it keeps our families together.

Mayor Ryan asks, what's the barrier?

Capree Dorr responds we have been trying to get this contract going with the high school since the end of last year. We've been given the run around multiple times.

Vern Loftis states we started with the high school coaches then we went to the athletic director then to the principal and we went to the facilities director. The facilities director initially gave us a thumbs up. We talked to the chief financial officer for Reynolds and they said they don't enter into any agreements. That's where we're at now.

Capree Dorr states we have that \$15,000.00 that we can put into it to make it look nice and it would benefit the high school also.

Mayor Ryan asks, is there a timeline on that grant?

Capree Dorr responds one year. We can ask for an extension.

Vern Loftis states we have to update every 90 days.

Councilor Hudson asks, has the response from the people working up to the chief financial officer been positive?

Vern Loftis responds all of it was positive. There is no plans for that specific area.

Capree Dorr states we just want a contract to protect the Little League because we didn't want to put \$15,000.00 into a field that the high school could potentially take back and tell us we couldn't use.

Vern Loftis states it's an agreement. It's not contractual.

Krystal Breece, Portland resident, states I help coach the Blue Dolphins team, the first ever softball team in Reynolds Little League this year. They had to play on the grass field. There's a huge difference between a grass field and a skin field.

Mayor Ryan states Ray has the information and we'll definitely follow up with you.

Councilor Allen states this might be a Community Enhancement item.

Carol Allen, Troutdale resident, states I wanted to bring an issue to you about the safety of walking on the sidewalks on Troutdale Road. I walk often and my children walk often with a stroller. At the bridge there is no place to walk. You either lift the stroller or you're walking in the street. Cars drive by fast. Not all cars slow down and wait for you to go through. I am concerned about being hit when walking on that part of the bridge. Some of the sidewalks are also crooked. There are trees underneath that are causing issues with the sidewalk.

Sharon Ezzell, Troutdale resident, states that area is totally inaccessible for wheelchairs.

Councilor Allen states we are currently doing our regional transportation plans and that is due this month. If there's alterations to this project or if there's other projects like it they need to get on that plan.

Ryan McNaughton, Troutdale resident, states my comments tonight are as a resident of Troutdale and not a member of the Parks Advisory Committee. After the Imagination Station meeting the other night there was some post reach out to myself. They were concerned that I made some comments on behalf of myself. First I'll say, I'll never apologize for those. When I get a chance to speak I'm going to. If they're my convictions I'm going to put that out there. I'm very concerned with some emails going back and forth with the vendors and staff and staff stating they only want volunteer labor to tear down the existing structure. I just can't wrap my head around that. The last email I got they were asking vendors to submit bids with no volunteer labor. So I'm not sure where they're trying to steer this now but I have a pretty good idea. I have reached out and done some research through all of the referrals they've given and they've been wonderful. I'm not sure if staff has. Play by Design has told staff they would fly them out and pay for their trip to go meet with these city officials to get these references. I talked to Angie in Rowlett, Texas because they just built one last year and it came down to the exact same 2 vendors. It came down to rebuilding with a playground in a box or do the build as something special and unique. If this were any other place I would say build whatever, but this isn't any other place. This is Imagination Station. You guys are going to make a very important decision that's going to change Troutdale forever. If you choose to build it with a playground in a box I don't believe it should be called Imagination Station. That's not rebuilding Imagination Station. It's not capturing what's there. It's not involving the community and it doesn't reflect what's here. I encourage you all to reach out and do your own research and not just rely on what's in the staff report. I think you'll find it very valuable to talk to some of these folks. Angie's been a parks superintendent for 16 years and she's dealt with all these companies. John Quincy Adams said, "Always vote for principle, though you may vote alone, and you may cherish the sweetest reflection that your vote is never lost." It's a very important decision and it will forever change what is there.

**4. PRESENTATION:** A presentation from Troutdale Elementary School on their 2016-17 school year and goals going into next school year.

Ed Krankowski, Troutdale Elementary Principal, states I have a handout of the Troutdale Elementary construction update with an aerial view of the school. I want to give you some updates on some immediate changes and also what to expect over the summer in that general area. If you look at the blue outline in the parameter of the field you might notice that the field offices have been put up this week and fenced in. They have not put up the storage containers yet but they did put up the field office. We'll still be able to have field day because the rest of the fencing won't go up until the day after students get out of school. In the meantime we had quite a bit of content to move from the gym area and so we'll be boxing that content up and moving them prior to staff getting out for the year. The gym will come down over the summer and that is due to happen in early July. Also in early July, the maintenance building will come down and that will provide extra parking for some of the construction workers to alleviate some of the crowding on the street. It will still be crowded. The thing I'm really touting is change is opportunity so it will be short

term pain and long term gain. Any feedback you can give me, I'm more than happy to hear. There will be a gate put in place for the playground access area. This way we'll be able to contain the students for a smaller footprint in terms of recess. There will be no construction activities during drop off and pick up of kids. That's important because we're changing start times district wide for all the schools. I will pass out all the start times for the schools. Troutdale will now be an early start time and that means we'll have students dropped off at 7:25am and school will start at 7:40am. With the gym coming down that obviously will impact where we have our PE classes and so the next largest area is he library. We'll be shifting the library to one of our classrooms that is vacated. On August 23rd we have our registration. The whole campus will be closed to staff up until the following week. We have a date for registration but we don't necessarily have a place just yet. The district office is working on plans and to house registration somewhere else.

## 5. REQUEST: A request for the City to provide sponsorship for Summerfest.

Karen Young, West Columbia Gorge Chamber of Commerce (WCGCC), states I have with me Chelsea Van Baalen who is on the Summerfest Committee. The Chamber and City have an agreement to put on several events during the year. Besides Summerfest we have the Tree Lighting and also the Fall Festival of the Arts which you support too. I think it's really important to work together to promote our events and support them. Not just the Chamber events but all the events in the community. When you look at not just the benefit for the local community but also the tourists that are coming in, the numbers I'm seeing are massive. The increase in tourists that are coming into the area impacts everyone. We've been working on a marketing plan and we're incorporating that into our marketing to bring people into the area to go to our events and to see the beautiful area we have to offer.

Chelsea Van Baalen states one thing that we looked at is using our budget wisely and concisely and what can we get for the least amount of dollars but making sure that we're reaching as broadly as possible. We've looked at different options from online ads to current ads, radio ads and one thing we're looking at is comparing the numbers from last year, seeing what worked and what didn't and going forward from that. We also have an insert that's produced, printed and distributed in the Gresham Outlook. There's additional overrun that's given to the people at the festival.

Karen Young states this is a huge commitment I'm realizing for the Chamber and the volunteers but also for the City staff. I want to comment that you have a fantastic staff. The city employees I've worked with in every capacity are amazing. They go beyond to help out with anything and are very supportive. This year we really wanted to focus on kids. We came up with the idea to have a project for kids painting rocks. We would have the kids do this activity during Summerfest and then we would carry that forward into the Fall Festival of the Arts event and have them displayed there. We didn't have a theme for the event and we came up with "Kids Rock" so that's our theme. We do have sponsorship coming in but what we've seen is a little bit tighter this year. We're getting lower commitments from pretty much across the board and expenses are up. I really would like to see this event break even this year because it was a bit in the red last year and to move towards this being a fundraising event. The Chamber did not ask the City to help with

sponsorship last year. They have in past years but we do want to ask for your help this year and we would like to ask you for sponsorship of \$2000.00 to assist with marketing especially.

Ray Young asks, Erich, can you check on that and what we sponsored in the past?

Erich Mueller, Finance Director, states typically there's the reimbursement of the event insurance policy which last year was \$1140.00. The last time we did a Summerfest sponsorship was for \$1500.00 back in June of 2014.

Cindy Passannante, WCGCC Board, states the last 2 years we were able to apply for a grant from the Visitor's Development Fund (VDF) which was funded by the County. The first year we received \$25,000.00 and last year we received \$12,500.00 so that's why we didn't have to come to the City and request additional funds over the insurance. In addition, the City provided the staffing and the park at no cost. So it wasn't a dollar amount. It was the cost of the rental of the facility and it was the cost of the staffing. We can't apply for the VDF grant this year.

MOTION: Councilor Morgan moved to approve the \$2000.00 request for the sponsorship for Summerfest. Seconded by Councilor Allen.

Councilor White states I want to disclose that my wife is working on the committee for Summerfest.

VOTE: Mayor Ryan – Yes; Councilor White – Yes; Councilor Allen – Yes; Councilor Hudson – Yes; Councilor Ripma – Yes; Councilor Lauer – Yes and Councilor Morgan - Yes.

Motion passes 7-0.

## 6. **REQUEST:** A request for the City to provide sponsorship for the Cruise In.

Terry Smoke, Troutdale resident and Owner of Troutdale General Market, states I am here seeking the support of the City of Troutdale for our 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Troutdale Cruise In. The Troutdale Cruise In has consistently brought hundreds of visitors and classic cars from all over the Northwest to attend our event that happens on the first Sunday in August. We have raised thousands of dollars for children's charities such as Doernbecher, Randall Children's Hospital, Mount Hood Kiwanis Camp and many others. 100% of our profits go to children. This year our benefactors will be the Soulful Giving Foundation and the Shriners Hospital for Children. Please help us with your continued support. In the past you've given us \$1500.00 and have been our lead sponsor. We appreciate that. Crater Lake Soda and Multnomah Falls Lodge will also be the other top sponsors. Please help us keep this family fun event going by stepping up again for a great cause. Also, our last year's Cruise In event was chosen as this year's Reader's Choice Best Event of East County.

MOTION: Councilor Morgan moved the \$1500.00 request for the sponsorship for the Troutdale Cruise In. Seconded by Councilor Allen.

VOTE: Mayor Ryan – Yes; Councilor White – Yes; Councilor Allen – Yes; Councilor Hudson – Yes; Councilor Ripma – Yes; Councilor Lauer – Yes and Councilor Morgan - Yes.

Motion passes 7-0.

7. **RESOLUTION:** A resolution approving amendments to the Levee Ready Columbia cost-sharing Intergovernmental Agreements.

Erich Mueller states I'm going to ask Sara Morrissey from Levee Ready Columbia to come up and speak.

Sara Morrissey, Program Manager, Levee Ready Columbia, states you are receiving maps of the levee system that show it's about 27 miles long and expands from the railroad bridge in North Portland all along the Columbia and over to the Sandy River. This project was started when the challenge of certifying and accrediting the levee became insurmountable as a result from unclear authority and responsibilities across agencies. We've been working really closely with all of the different partners in the project and we have a lot that's been accomplished. The pool system has been completed in terms of geotechnical drilling. Some of you may have seen some traffic this summer on Marine Drive. We were drilling the levee system every thousand feet. We've also nearly completed a series of inventories and we're connecting with community members through various forms of engagements. Levee Ready Columbia is currently being funded by 13 partner organizations of which the City of Troutdale is one of four jurisdictions. We have the State of Oregon as a funding partner as well as regional partners through Metro and the Port of Portland. We have jurisdictions with Portland, Gresham, Fairview and Troutdale as well as the 5 drainage districts which include Sauvie Island Drainage Improvement Company. We are also working with Multnomah County. The intergovernmental agreement amendments that you pass through resolution today will allow for the program to continue into the future alongside the other agencies. I recognize you are committed to public safety as well as job creation and economic development in this project. The levees ensure public safety to reduce flood risk as well as recognizing the levees FEMA flood insurance rate maps which allows for developments such as Amazon to occur in that area. Without the levees being accredited the area is mapped differently through FEMA and thus has different land use implications. As a reminder, the levees reduce the risk of flooding to a large area as a pool system. It's about \$16 billion in annual economic activity, 7500 residents, 10% of the jobs in Multnomah County as well as assets like the Portland International Airport, IKEA, FedEx and Home Depot. For the City of Troutdale specifically, this translates into around 1300 acres of land behind the levee. The amendments are for the program to continue and you're one of 13 partners in that continuation. We are doing a work group for the levee system associated with long term solutions to maintenance repairs and capital investments in the system. There's a small group of government representatives and this summer we are doing research and

we're getting some financial analysis on different types of government models that we're going to bring back to the committees and discuss some options.

Ray Young states up until a number of years ago, nobody was really responsible for the levee as a total unit as a protection of the vast amount of infrastructure that is involved there. The Governor created this organization, Levee Ready Columbia, as a way to deal with it and things they may have us do to keep it repaired and capital improvements on it. This simply amends a prior agreement and continues our obligation to contribute a couple more years.

Councilor White asks, has FEMA remapped that section of the Columbia in the corner?

Sara Morrissey responds in that project they have recognized the levees as accredited, meaning that they take them into account in their floodplain maps.

Councilor Allen asks, am I correct in hearing that federal funding for levee work is on the chopping block?

Sara Morrissey responds we have been working through a federal advocate and right now there is only one path to federal funding and that's through the Corps New Start Feasibility program. We have made it all the way to Corp headquarters at the federal level but this year they took new start programs completely out of the budget so we weren't able to qualify.

Erich Mueller states as it was mentioned this has been going on for a while. The City joined with the declaration of cooperation in August 2015 and the IGAs were adopted by the Council in November 2015. There were 3 of them at that time. A second infrastructure finance authority loan agreement provided part of the funding for Phase II and then there was cash contributions in addition to what was provided by the loan. There was an IGA for each of those pieces. Those are 2 of the 3 IGAs that were adopted back then and are what's being amended tonight.

MOTION: Councilor Morgan moved to adopt the resolution approving amendments to the Levee Ready Columbia cost-sharing Intergovernmental Agreements. Seconded by Councilor White.

VOTE: Mayor Ryan – Yes; Councilor White – Yes; Councilor Allen – Yes; Councilor Hudson – Yes; Councilor Ripma – Yes; Councilor Lauer – Yes and Councilor Morgan - Yes.

Motion passes 7-0.

- **8. PUBLIC HEARINGS / RESOLUTIONS:** A public hearing and 2 resolutions providing for State Shared Revenue for Fiscal Year 2017-2018:
  - **8.1** A resolution certifying the City of Troutdale's eligibility to receive Fiscal Year 2017-2018 State Shared Revenues.

**8.2** A resolution declaring the City of Troutdale's election to receive State Shared Revenues for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

Erich Mueller states this is a process required by the state statute that we have to go through each year. For the City it represents about \$1.4 million provided to us from various programs revenue sharing from the State. At some point the expectation is that there may be some marijuana tax revenue sharing that would come through this same mechanism. There are 4 actions that are required, one of which was performed already by having a public hearing before the Budget Committee on April 17<sup>th</sup>. The second step is the public hearing tonight before the City Council on the proposed uses. Once this public hearing is concluded then I'll address the particulars of the individual resolutions.

Mayor Ryan opens public hearing 8:06pm.

Mayor Ryan closes public hearing 8:06pm.

Erich Mueller states this fulfills the public hearing requirement for state shared revenues before the City Council. The State's statutes require 2 certifications. One by the City to certify that it's eligible to receive state shared revenues. That information is outlined in Resolution 8.1. The cities have to represent that they provide at least 4 of the services that are required for state shared revenues such as police protection, fire protection, street construction, maintenance and lighting, sanitary sewers, storm sewers, planning, zoning, and subdivision control and one or more utility services. The City of Troutdale fulfills all of these.

MOTION: Councilor Morgan moved to adopt the resolution certifying the City of Troutdale's eligibility to receive Fiscal Year 2017-2018 State Shared Revenues. Seconded by Councilor Ripma.

VOTE: Mayor Ryan – Yes; Councilor White – Yes; Councilor Allen – Yes; Councilor Hudson – Yes; Councilor Ripma – Yes; Councilor Lauer – Yes and Councilor Morgan - Yes.

Motion passes 7-0.

Erich Mueller states the first resolution that was just adopted indicated that the City is eligible. The City then has to elect to receive the money.

MOTION: Councilor Morgan moved to adopt the resolution declaring the City of Troutdale's election to receive State Shared Revenues for Fiscal Year 2017-2018. Seconded by Councilor Ripma.

VOTE: Mayor Ryan – Yes; Councilor White – Yes; Councilor Allen – Yes; Councilor Hudson – Yes; Councilor Ripma – Yes; Councilor Lauer – Yes and Councilor Morgan - Yes.

Motion passes 7-0.

- 9. PUBLIC HEARING / RESOLUTIONS: A public hearing on the following resolutions:
  - **9.1** A resolution adopting the City of Troutdale's Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Annual Budget and making appropriations.
  - **9.2** A resolution imposing and categorizing Ad Valorem Taxes for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

Erich Mueller states this is the next step in the process of the City's annual compliance with the local budget law. The manager's proposed budget was considered by the Budget Committee back in April. Ultimately the Budget Committee approved the budget with modifications to that. That approved budget was taken and published as required in the Gresham Outlook. The next part is the public hearing on the budget prior to the Council's consideration of it. I want to invite our Budget Committee Chair to come up and join me and offer any comments that he has on this budget and budget process.

Tanney Staffenson, Budget Committee Chair, states I think we have a budget that does a very good job of balancing our revenues with providing the services that our citizens expect from us.

Erich Mueller states one correction I have is on the resolution on page 3 of 6 of the resolution under Internal Services Fund. I have one line overstated and one line understated. The Public Works Management should be reduced by \$50,000.00 and Contingency should be raised by \$50,000.00. It's not a change in the budget it's just me correcting what the resolution should have read. If there are budget revisions or amendments the Council has the ability to reduce any item by any amount. There's a limitation of 10% in terms of any increases. Council does have the opportunity to make amendments to the budget prior to the Council adopting it.

Councilor Morgan states I have an amendment that has to do with the dog park. I was initially one of the members who voted against it but in how the motion was phrased is what I think created some confusion. I have been a supporter of it and I still support it. I think a lot of the public has expected us to at least do something in that aspect. I fully intend to bring the \$70,000.00 back into the budget to be used for the dog park.

Councilor Hudson states I would like to thank Councilor Morgan for bringing this up. I support that amendment.

Councilor Allen states I would like to hear from the Parks Advisory Committee on their discussions on this subject.

Councilor White states I have a question for Tanney. As the Budget Committee Chair, did you see anything we could improve on for the process next year?

Tanney Staffenson responds I think one thing we try to do and it's always difficult but getting that massive document out as early as possible. We got it out earlier this year than last year. The quicker we can get that out to everyone to review, I think helps. Since you brought up the dog park I received an email yesterday from Corey Brooks who is out

of town working this week and he is stating in an email to me is that he is in favor of the dog park and he voted incorrectly as well.

### Mayor Ryan opens public hearing 8:18pm.

John Wilson, Troutdale resident, states I want you to know that I'm in full support of the dog park. The problem I have with it at this time is that we're trying to approve a want instead of a need. If we're going to approve a want we also need to approve a need. That need is to take care of the Public Works building. I took a tour of it the other day and took photos which I'll pass around. The building is 14 years old and the carpet and linoleum are all originals. The walls are in disrepair. It isn't just one little thing. It's the carpets that are coming apart, the walls have dents in them and they need to be repaired. The offices need to be painted and the office carpets are now covered with other carpet. We need to get that addressed. This is the third year that this has been turned down by the Budget Committee. Before I got on the City Council I was really concerned about our buildings. The City is good at building them but they're not good at repairing them. Case in point would be the CCB building that's beyond economical repair and will be torn down at some point. They neglected City Hall to where they had to move out. We have the City saying we need to repair this building and for 3 years the Budget Committee has said no. The longer you wait the more expensive it's going to get. I'm asking you to do the right thing and approve \$50,000.00 to get this building fixed so it isn't \$60,000.00 next year. This building needs to be updated and taken care of. The citizens of Troutdale have spent a lot of money and you cannot let the building go in disrepair in favor of a dog park.

Councilor Allen asks Ryan McNaughton, what is your recollection of the Parks Advisory Committee's discussions and your decision on the dog park?

Ryan McNaughton responds we have discussed it for 3 years. We recently had a Town Hall meeting and it was probably the most attended Town Hall we've had on any issue. We gathered a lot of information and we have that to present to the Council if this does move forward. There was overwhelming support for a dog park. The majority of the people were in favor of having a dog park. However, they weren't in favor of having it in an existing park. There were concerns about what that would do to the field, the park and the usability of the park. Sunrise has been a hot topic but there's a lot of challenges with putting a dog park in Sunrise Park. At this point we're not sure where a dog park would fit in and we're not sure what it would cost. We're not sure if the \$70,000.00 gets it going or where it is. What we've gathered is overwhelming support from the community in support of a dog park.

Mayor Ryan asks, where did the \$70,000.00 number come from?

Ryan McNaughton responds that was put in a parks master plan several years ago and it was specifically a project of Sunrise Park.

Councilor White asks, do you see that as possibly being a volunteer project?

Ryan McNaughton responds it could be. I'm sure there's a lot of liability issues in that especially if it's a privately owned piece of property. There's an adopt-a-park program. There's a lot of options. The piece of property that's been on mind is the Reynolds School District property behind Edgefield next to Safeway. They own that now and I think there's been some preliminary discussions with staff to acquire a portion of that property or maybe lease a piece of that property to have a dog park.

Bruce Wasson, Troutdale resident, states I do not think the City should spend \$70,000.00 on a dog park. It only satisfies a certain constituent. We don't have places for someone to walk their cats. I think that it's better spent somewhere else like upgrading one of our buildings. I think this is an idea that's workable but I think we ought to watch the kind of money we spend on something like this. It doesn't exactly benefit everybody. The other thing I would like to address is the pay raises for the department heads. After thought and reflection about one of my votes, I should have opposed the pay raises for the department heads a lot more vigorously than I did. When they're getting 10 to 12% pay raises and the rest of us are getting maybe 2 to 3% a year, I find something wrong with that. If they're not satisfied with their pay there's a job market out there. I think in the future we need to reflect on pay raises very diligently.

Paul Wilcox, Troutdale resident, states regarding the dog park, nobody seems to know where the \$70,000.00 number came from. It strikes me as kind of excessive. I have contacted some local cities recently. I was at the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge a couple weeks ago and they had a new dog park there. I checked with their Public Works department and they enclosed almost 2 acres with field fencing and metal stakes. It was nothing fancy but totally adequate in my opinion for under \$10,000.00. There's a dog park in Sandy and they have about 1 ½ acres enclosed in chain link fencing and their cost was around \$22,000.00. I'm not locked into \$70,000.00. I think we do need to retain some money in there kind of as an act of faith on the City's and the Council's part that you support the idea.

Sharon Ezzell, Troutdale resident, states if we have a dog park that is key accessible only and say it's put in Sunrise Park, people are going to take their dogs to the park anyway if they don't go in the dog park section and chances are they are not going to be picking up their dog waste. It doesn't have to be \$70,000.00 just because you allocated that amount of money.

### Mayor Ryan closes public hearing 8:34pm.

Erich Mueller states I would like to elaborate on the dog park. The estimate came from a design done by Charlie Warren who was our Public Works Director prior to Steve Gaschler. It was based on a certain site in Sunrise Park. It included fencing, trail paving, benches and so forth to watch dogs off leash. It's been carried in the budget for the last couple of years without having necessarily a specific site to use it on. It's in the budget this year and of course this year's budget is going to expire at the end of the month.

Councilor Morgan states a few years ago I believe we allocated \$50,000.00 or \$100,000.00 for the fire study and that money ended up not ever being used. I think as a

policy priority we don't know if it will be Sunrise subsequently or whether we'll have to work into a leasing agreement with an entity for land or not. You talk about wants versus needs, people prioritize our City because of its livability. It's not just water or roads or maintenance and infrastructure, it's also having a safe city. I think the public wants us to do something and not just talk about it.

MOTION: Councilor Morgan moved to make the amendment to add \$70,000.00 back into the budget for the dog park. Seconded by Councilor Hudson.

Councilor Allen states my general budget philosophy is during the good years you build up your reserves and then during recessions you work off those reserves so you don't have to do drastic measures. I am concerned about this budget and how much we are going into reserves. I like the dog park and I voted for it but overall in general I'm getting concerned about how much dipping into reserves we are doing this budgetary period.

Councilor White states it was voted in the previous year 13 to 1 and this year it failed mainly out of confusion on the vote. I voted for it but I was under the assumption that the plan hadn't changed and it was going to be within an existing park. My worry is that if we create another new park I know it's going to trigger us needing more personnel because I know how stretched that department is now. My preference would be to put it somewhere that the Parks staff is currently in charge of maintaining.

VOTE: Mayor Ryan – Yes; Councilor White – Yes; Councilor Allen – No; Councilor Hudson – Yes; Councilor Ripma – Yes; Councilor Lauer – Yes and Councilor Morgan - Yes.

## Motion passes 6-1.

Councilor Allen states I thank John Wilson for bringing the pictures of the Public Works building here. Can I direct the City Manager's attention to one of the photographs? It's a wall next to the elevator and it comes to a sharp point. That thing is begging to be hit.

Ray Young asks, you want a corner protector on there?

Councilor Allen responds yes. Another spot over the dishwasher needs repaired.

Ray Young states Steve Gaschler firmly believes the money would be well spent in that building but he can wait another year for it. We do have to understand that the Public Works building has a lot of people who wear a lot of dirty boots and equipment goes in and out of that building so the wear is a little bit more than a normal building because of the activity that goes on in that building.

Councilor White states I talked to Steve Gaschler about the bond for that building and it will be paid off this year.

MOTION: Councilor Morgan moved to adopt the resolution adopting the City of Troutdale's Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Annual Budget and making appropriations as amended and corrected. Seconded by Councilor Hudson.

Councilor White states I appreciated getting the budget packet early and I want to thank Erich for that. That is a big help. I appreciate Tanney's expertise in finance. One improvement I would like to see happen is I would like to see a stronger effort to include the Budget Committee.

VOTE: Mayor Ryan – Yes; Councilor White – Yes; Councilor Allen – No; Councilor Hudson – Yes; Councilor Ripma – Yes; Councilor Lauer – Yes and Councilor Morgan - Yes.

Motion passes 6-1.

Councilor Morgan asks, did we qualify once again for the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)?

Erich Mueller responds yes. We submitted the paperwork for last fiscal yearend and I recently got paperwork that they've reviewed it and we've achieved it again.

Councilor Morgan asks, how many years consecutive is this for the City of Troutdale going above and beyond for the audit purposes?

Erich Mueller responds 28 years.

Councilor Morgan states for 28 years you have continued the tradition of going above and beyond the audit to make sure our books are in line. Hats off to you and Ray and everybody else and Tanney as well.

Erich Mueller states one other duty of the Budget Committee is to set the tax levy. Resolution 9.2 is an item that Council is not able to adjust. This is the second part of getting the overall budget adopted and in place prior to July 1 which is necessary for us to be able to have the ability to spend money after July 1<sup>st</sup>. This resolution in particular is what enables the assessor to collect taxes on our behalf.

Mayor Ryan opens public hearing 8:51pm.

Mayor Ryan closes public hearing 8:51pm.

MOTION: Councilor Morgan moved to adopt the resolution imposing and categorizing Ad Valorem Taxes for Fiscal Year 2017-2018. Seconded by Councilor White.

VOTE: Mayor Ryan – Yes; Councilor White – Yes; Councilor Allen – Yes; Councilor Hudson – Yes; Councilor Ripma – Yes; Councilor Lauer – Yes and Councilor Morgan - Yes.

Motion passes 7-0.

**2.2 RESOLUTION:** A resolution ssupporting the passage of a 2017 State Transportation Funding Package to maintain and preserve Oregon's statewide Transportation System.

Mayor Ryan states we are now going to address Resolution 2.2.

Councilor Ripma states I don't recall us ever discussing this so I was surprised to see it on the consent agenda. I am all in favor of funding state transportation projects adequately. The resolution looks like it's supporting this bill. In our packet there was a League of Oregon Cities summary. First of all, I think as individuals we could support or not support HB2017. I do not agree with everything in HB2017 and I doubt whether everybody in Troutdale does. Just from the League of Oregon Cities summary it imposes a sales tax on vehicle and bicycle sales. It also points out that Article 9 of the Constitution is amended by the voters and voids HB2017. It's not even a good bill. One other thing I object to is that it requires applying salt in the winter if there's 2 inches or more of snow in cities of 160,000 or more. I am totally opposed to that. It's ridiculous. It looks like Representative Gorseekek maybe asked for this support but I do not think the City Council of Troutdale ought to weigh in on support of this. I wouldn't vote for it. I recommend that we as City Councilors send in our own personal support if you support it.

Erich Mueller states I was the one that put this package together. The League of Oregon Cities for several weeks has been repeatedly requesting cities to express their support for the transportation package that has been moving from the joint committee discussion and deliberation and being prepared for the House floor. They discussed the issues that occurred in 2015 when the transportation package was unsuccessful in being passed. Part of what we tried to clarify in the resolution is that it is in support of the transportation package of the year 2017. It's an unfortunate coincidence that the House bill is also 2017. What the League of Oregon Cities wants from cities is to express their support of a package. This is the current proposal so we tried to provide the information of what is currently proposed. We certainly don't expect all the aspects of it to survive in the form that they're presented there. Exhibit B that's in your package is the 3 or 4 page summary. The bill itself is 298 pages. There's a lot of content there. This is just a summary as it relates to cities. The primary benefits for cities are going to be related to these projects for the congestion and freight mobility projects. Two years ago the transportation package failed and resulted in the legislature funding ODOT at a status quo and not addressing any projects or infrastructure or not attempting to solve any of the ongoing problems. The resolution is intended to express support of them implementing or passing a transportation package not necessarily this transportation package. The League was urging the cities to take action now because we're in the final days of the legislative package. My intent was that it is to express support of the package and not necessarily

this package, having a transportation bill rather than not having a transportation bill. It wasn't my intention to try and commit you to the specifics of the bill so I apologize if it made you uncomfortable.

Councilor Ripma states I meant no criticism of you. I didn't want it adopted on the consent agenda because I didn't consent. I still don't consent. The legislature can deal with this issue with or without the support of the City Council of Troutdale. I think it's the wrong thing to do. If you want to do it as individuals that's fine. This packet has too many question marks.

Councilor Morgan states I appreciate Councilor Ripma's point but I disagree. I feel like the West side is unified in this. There are few cities in our neck of the woods that are supporting a concept. There's more infrastructure money state revenues coming into East County in Troutdale for our TRIP property than most other jurisdictions. I think we should come together and be a unified front.

Councilor Ripma states the resolution specifically supports HB2017.

Mayor Ryan states I would be in favor of that being out. I want a transportation package. Take HB 2017 out.

Councilor Allen states when I listen to the proposals that ODOT does, they have some very sound engineering behind them. I just wish that ODOT had more influence in the Multnomah County area as other parts of the State. I'm not a fan of adding sales tax and I'm not a fan of tolling. Other than those 2 items I support transportation improvements.

Ed Trompke states I would like to give a little history that some people here may not know about. The Governor's office reached out to a bunch of business leaders last year and said put your money where your mouth is because businesses have been complaining about freight delivery, employees not being able to get to work on time and not getting home on time. As a result the Westside Economic Alliance, which I'm a board member. Transportation Committee held a meeting at which ODOT, Washington County Commission and all the mayors and city councilors on the Westside were invited and some basic principles were laid out. Those basic principles are what are embodied in this resolution that Erich put together. Those principles were that there are a few major projects that need to be done immediately and they needed to be on the list. That committee sat down and came up with about 30 items on the list, most of which made it through legislature. The big ones are I-5 at the Rose Garden, 205 from Stafford to Oregon City including the Abernathy Bridge, 217 has bottlenecks and Highway 97 which isn't earthquake proof. There's a lot of important pieces to this. The main issues is that these are critical infrastructure needs that the federal government has been saying that they're not going to fund. The State is going to have to do most of it itself. It also was important because there were a lot of local governments in this meeting that the current 50/30/20 split between the State and the Counties and Cities be maintained so that the local governments get money to provide their portions of the infrastructure. There are pieces of this that people on the Westside Economic Alliance don't just dislike, they're fighting actively to get it pulled from the bill. There are other pieces that they love. The overall concept at that time was go big or go home. It was the equivalent of a 30 cent per gallon gas tax. The concept is to get the big jobs done. We have to take care of the big jobs. We may not like all the pieces of it and some of us are going to hate them and we may hate different pieces of it but that's the nature of political compromise. Nothing is set in stone. It's all about, can we as Oregonians make the thing work? I think that we can do it and we need to do it for the next generations that live in the state.

Councilor Ripma states it authorizes sending the letter. It identifies as Exhibit B but it's really Exhibit A.

Erich Mueller states I will apologize that I did not scrutinize the letter as closely as I did the resolution. The letter was a stock letter that came from League of Oregon Cities. I would be happy to remove the HB2017 from it and simply refer to it as either comprehensive transportation package or the current proposal or something to that effect so that it's simply supporting the concept of a transportation package.

Councilor Ripma states I understand about compromise and the legislature has to get something done but other states fund their transportation. This bill, the way it is and the one we're being asked to support, imposes a sales tax on cars. That is not a good idea. There's a 1/10 of 1% employee paid payroll tax. Employees are going to have to kick in 1/10 of 1%. I'm not saying it's a lot but it's a bad idea and it's a bad bill. I urge everyone to write in yourself. The City of Troutdale should be steadfast against this. I think it's bad to weigh in on a piece of legislation this flawed.

Ray Young states I can put together a generic letter.

Councilor Hudson states I find myself concurring with a lot of what Councilor Ripma says but I want to make sure I say it before it comes time around to vote and people wonder why I'm voting the way I'm voting. I don't want to weigh in on HB2017. I find it kind of weird that we're being asked to decide as a group on something that all of us can decide individually. This is an individual decision. This isn't what Troutdale City Council needs to decide upon. This is what the legislature needs to decide upon. I believe I'm going to vote no simply on that principle.

Ed Trompke states would it be appropriate for the Manager's letter to say that specific members of the Council oppose the current form of HB2017 and therefore this letter is not unanimously supported by Council and members will be contacting you separately but there is a specific City interest in this and that is that 20% goes to the cities. You just voted on a resolution to accept \$900,000.00 worth of gas tax and so this will substantially increase that next year or the year after whenever it kicks in. There is a specific city interest in whether or not it passes. It isn't simply you as individuals.

Councilor White states when I went down to Capital Days I could see that the pressure's on. I don't think the Troutdale letter is going to mean a whole lot to them one way or another. I also like to get things ahead of time to look at. I called some local businesses and car dealerships and bike shops in Troutdale and they are dead set against this. I don't want to upset our business community unnecessarily when this thing is not even

finished. I went to a League of Oregon Cities event and one of the speakers asked, what's the best thing about Oregon? There was a room full of mayors and councilors and city administrators and they all said, no sales tax. I think Dave is spot on. I think we're second or third highest taxed per capita in the nation already.

MOTION: Councilor Morgan moved to adopt the resolution supporting the passage of a 2017 State Transportation Funding Package to maintain and preserve Oregon's statewide Transportation System.

The motion died due to lack of a second.

## 10. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Ray Young states because we're giving you such a break in July and August from council meetings I need to remind you that we are pretty full for the month of June beginning with another special meeting on June 20<sup>th</sup>. Next week's meeting will be at the Kellogg Room next Tuesday night. We anticipate a large attendance. The issues for next week are trying to finish up the Imagination Station decision, the Community Enhancement grant proposals and then we're going to have a meeting on Urban Renewal. The meeting will start at 6:30 in the Kellogg Room. On June 21<sup>st</sup>, next Wednesday, there will be a ribbon cutting for the new Sam statue. The funding report for Main Street on Halsey is finished now and on June 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm Fairview is sponsoring an open house meeting of stakeholders. I would like to have at least 2 or 3 of you at that meeting so that we can move forward. Finally, the wonderful 1<sup>st</sup> graders at Troutdale Elementary and Sweetbriar have colored 170 pictures of our fish for us to vote on the top 3 pictures.

### 11. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Councilor White states I wanted to remind people that the approval for the new floodplain map is in process so there's a 90 day appeal window that started May 18th. Councilor Ripma, Mayor Ryan, Larry Morgan, Rich Allen, Ed Trompke, Ray Young and I were all at the announcement for Amazon and it was pretty exciting.

Councilor Allen states I got an email from East Multnomah County Transportation Committee and Mayor Ryan requested it be put on the 27th meeting. I think there might be a problem there because they are hoping for a response within the next week or two as to our direction. What they want direction on is low incomes fares for Trimet. It would affect people that are determined to be 200% of federal poverty level. To give you an idea, for a household of 4, this represents an annual income of \$48,600.00. For a single rider it would be \$23,760.00 per year. That would be their income to qualify. There would be a 50% with an additional carve out for the \$28 monthly pass so that's 50% of regular fare. The proposed low income fare program would reach a great number of low income residents without adding an additional layer of administration to the program. They do that by working with other programs such as OHP and SNAP to help identify those riders that qualify. In addition to the legislative package, three other options will be explored by Metro and Trimet for funding. They are a tax fee on commercial parking and surface street parking across the region, a tax on corporations based on wage they pay their employees

and the final option is a state sales tax. They want to know if we as a Council support the low income Trimet fares. We'll need to give them a response in the next week or two.

Councilor Ripma states I wanted to point out that I'm a great fan of girls' softball and that field looked ideal but it's clearly on Reynold's property. It isn't the City's field. Beware of eyeing the woods behind the current fields. They're there for a reason including that neighbors like them. I think the best approach would be to try to convince Reynolds to allow that ball field to be used. The City Council really has no influence on that. I sympathize with their position.

Ray Young states my understanding of that, Mayor, is that the direction was that you and Councilor Hudson were going to check with the district about that field.

Councilor Lauer states I'm participating in the event this Saturday, the Muscle Hustle, on Columbia River Highway in downtown Troutdale and my team has one spot open. If anybody wants to come down and help pull a firetruck let me know.

#### 12. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Councilor Morgan moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilor Lauer. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 9:34pm.

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Dated: 7/12/201

ATTEST:

Kenda Schlaht, Deputy City Recorder

# **CITY OF TROUTDALE**

Regular Meeting 7:00PM

**Tuesday, June 13, 2017** 

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