

MINUTES
Troutdale City Council – Regular Meeting
Troutdale City Hall – Council Chambers
219 E. Historic Columbia River Hwy.
Troutdale, OR 97060-2078

Tuesday, April 22, 2014

1. ROLL CALL, AGENDA UPDATE

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

PRESENT: Mayor Daoust, Councilor Ripma, Councilor Anderson, Councilor Thomas, Councilor White, Councilor Allen, and Councilor Wilson.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: Craig Ward, City Manager; Debbie Stickney, City Recorder; Ed Trompke, City Attorney; and Travis Hultin, Chief Engineer.

GUESTS: See Attached.

2. CONSENT AGENDA:

2.1 RESOLUTION: A resolution approving a transparent process plan for evaluating the needs and options for a potential new City Hall.

MOTION: Councilor Thomas moved to adopt the consent agenda. Seconded by Councilor Wilson. Motion Passed Unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT: Please restrict comments to non-agenda items at this time.

Stayce Blume, resident in Corbett, stated we are here representing the Troutdale Business Association on behalf of the Bite of East County. We had submitted some information to be included in the Troutdale Champion, which created some discussion. I wanted to thank you for taking the time to discuss it and consider the event as a community event and to have it placed in the calendar, and hopefully we will be able to have our full press release in the paper.

Dean Hurford, resident in Portland, stated the reason I am here is because we have been working on the Bite of East County for over two years. When we first started this I begged the business groups not to do it. I am in the restaurant business and this is hard to do and it is too hard to make money for a charitable event. People look at me as a business person and think how much money I must make at these beer gardens, etc. At the end of

the day you make a nickel on the dollar; you are doing this for a community event. This is hands down a community event. I am here out of a little bit of frustration, or wanting an interpretation of what is considered a community event. We have worked tirelessly for two years on this event and we are trying to get the Outlook and others to recognize it. Zarephath Kitchen provides 180,000 meals a year. Everything we are doing is to benefit that group, that local charity. I am just asking what is a community event? I am frustrated that as hard as we work on the outside to try to do something good for the community that it is not received with open hands on behalf of the city saying that we will do whatever we can do.

Mayor Daoust stated we will discuss this under Council Communications tonight.

Dean Hurford stated we assumed it would be a community event because you have already allowed us the use of the park and waived the fees.

Councilor Thomas asked are you a non-profit?

Dean Hurford replied Zarephath is a non-profit. I am not a non-profit.

Councilor Thomas stated so the organization that is putting this together is not a non-profit.

Dean Hurford replied the organization that is putting this together is Zarephath Kitchen. We are all just the vendors helping to make it possible.

Claude Cruz, West Columbia Gorge Chamber of Commerce, stated I have a quick update for you on SummerFest. We are on track. Sponsorships are coming along nicely and we have a nice roster of entertainment. This time, unlike prior years, my goal is to make the event as self-supporting as possible by targeting high enough revenue from sponsorships and perhaps having some money-making events. We will request some help from the City in the form of the porta-potties. In the unlikely event that there is a shortfall, when the smoke clears, I will come to the Council and inform you of that and work with you to hopefully get some backfill support that the Chamber may have to buffer initially. I think that is a remote possibility at this point.

4. RESOLUTION: A resolution approving an agreement between the City of Troutdale and McMenamins Inc. for the Summer Concert Series as an Event of Citywide Interest.

Craig Ward, City Manager, stated this agreement has evolved over the course of several years. It is really no different except for one provision. Annually when we meet with McMenamins they have requested that we try to find an easier way to get this agreement approved. This document reflects my proposal to do that, which they concur with. We did have an issue a couple of years ago when they brought in a concert that created some issues for us. It was a 3-day concert that was not consistent with this agreement. McMenamins came back to us last year and requested to be able to do that again and my suggestion was if you they were going to go outside of the bounds of the existing

contract they would definitely need to come to the Council. We had a thorough discussion about what the issues were with that concert, and they chose to not go forward with it.

This proposed agreement reflects the same agreement that we have had for several years with the exception that this proposal, in Section 6, delegates to the City Manager or designee, the authority to amend or terminate this agreement without action by the City Council. There is also some additional language dealing with terminating the agreement. It is my intention with this proposal to essentially have a document that they can rely upon. They are busy scheduling concerts. It is a fairly complicated process that they have to go through. Annually they come back to us at about this time of year and ask for us to approve the agreement. It would be a significant hardship on them if we decided at this point to amend the agreement and change those terms. My sense is if we want to be business friendly, they are an important business, and we should remove the impediment of making them go through this annual renewal process. As long as they stay within the existing bounds of the agreement, which we have come to rely upon and be familiar with, then my recommendation is that you approve the agreement in the form shown.

Mayor Daoust asked has McMenamins seen this agreement?

Craig Ward replied yes.

MOTION: Councilor Anderson moved to adopt a resolution approving an agreement between the City of Troutdale and McMenamins Inc. for the Summer Concert Series as an Event of Citywide Interest. Seconded by Councilor Thomas.

VOTE: Mayor Daoust – Yes; Councilor White - Yes; Councilor Allen – Yes; Councilor Wilson - Yes; Councilor Ripma - Yes; Councilor Anderson - Yes; Councilor Thomas - Yes.

Motion Passed 7-0.

5. PUBLIC HEARING / ORDINANCE (Introduced 4/8/2014): An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Troutdale, Oregon, relating to medical marijuana facilities; establishing new code of ordinances Chapter 5.12 and declaring an emergency.

Mayor Daoust read the ordinance title.

Ed Trompke, City Attorney, stated this ordinance was introduced at the last meeting. The terms of the ordinance are pretty straight forward. The ordinance does have an emergency clause attached to it because it needs to go into effect before May 1, 2014 in order to comply with the state law for a moratorium on medical marijuana dispensaries. It does affect some areas in the city so it will in fact have a practical effect.

Mayor Daoust stated other cities are taking this up; we are not the only city that is addressing this.

Ed Trompke stated several other cities have adopted this identical language, and others are adopting something very similar.

Mayor Daoust stated I was driving around Portland this weekend and I did notice that there are medical marijuana facilities in Portland. That is not too far from here, so it isn't like people don't have options if they need it. This will give us a year to figure out what we want to do with these facilities, which is what we need to properly work on this.

Mayor Daoust opened the Public Hearing at 7:16pm.

Paul Wilcox, resident, stated at the last Council meeting Mayor Daoust stated that he believes that there are about 19 medical marijuana card holders who are currently growing their own in Troutdale. There are probably many more cardholders that don't have the means or desire to grow their own. However, there may also be cardholders who have been considering starting a home-grow operation that have been waiting to see if the dispensary option becomes available. Since medical marijuana is a medically acknowledged benefit in the treatment of numerous conditions, these patients should not be denied easy and convenient access the same as those who obtain prescription drugs from their neighborhood pharmacy. A local outlet would probably also eliminate the need for so many home growers. Also missing from the discussion are any pro-business voices. These facilities would generate fees and cash flow within the community. It seems far preferable to have a dispensary in an approved location to serve card holders rather than large and dispersed grow operations. Would the Mayor or any of the Councilors be comfortable knowing that their next door neighbor was legally growing pot in his back yard? Such an operation could become a target for theft or home invasion, which creates added workload for local law enforcement. I understand that indoor operations also require large amounts of heat and electricity. If the necessary accessory equipment is not properly installed and used the operation could become a fire hazard. It is only a matter of time before Oregon follows the lead of Washington and Colorado and legalizes recreational use of marijuana. The way in which medical marijuana is introduced will be an indication of how smoothly that future transition will occur. I realize that the moratorium in an absolute prohibition for a limited time only, but it could lead to a permanent prohibition. My major concern is that this delay will result in more home grow operations which will most definitely not benefit the wider community. I fully expect the Troutdale moratorium to pass since a tsunami of consensus has swept over east county cities in favor of one. If Troutdale does not have a moratorium all of the business people thwarted by surrounding communities would descend on Troutdale. In any case, I wanted to bring to the Council's attention the possible unintended consequence of an increased number of local growers.

Mayor Daoust stated it is interesting to note that one of our City Councilors does have a grower next door.

Mayor Daoust closed the Public Hearing at 7:20pm.

Councilor Allen stated just a clarification, dispensaries still rely on growers. Isn't that correct?

Mayor Daoust replied yes.

MOTION: Councilor Thomas moved to adopt an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Troutdale, Oregon, relating to medical marijuana facilities; establishing new code of ordinances Chapter 5.12 and declaring an emergency. Seconded by Councilor Wilson.

VOTE: Mayor Daoust – Yes; Councilor White - Yes; Councilor Allen – Yes; Councilor Wilson - Yes; Councilor Ripma - Yes; Councilor Anderson - Yes; Councilor Thomas - Yes.

Motion Passed 7-0.

Mayor Daoust stated the ordinance will go into effect before May 1, 2014.

6. PUBLIC HEARING / ORDINANCE (Introduction): An ordinance adopting a new Public Facilities Plan as an implementing element of Comprehensive Land Use Plan Goal 11 Public Facilities and Services in partial fulfillment of Periodic Review Task 3.

Mayor Daoust read the ordinance title.

Craig Ward, City Manager, stated this plan has received considerable review. We have been working on it for quite a long period of time. It recaps the public facility components of the master plans that the City has already adopted. There was a discussion about the Sewer Master Plan and some of the provisions in that plan. This proposed Public Facility Plan (PFP) is consistent with the adopted Master Plan that removed the item that the Council and the Planning Commission were most concerned about. We have our consultant here, Matt Hastie of Angelo Planning, who will present a report on this ordinance and the Plan that it implements/adopts.

Matt Hastie, Angelo Planning, stated this is part of your Periodic Review Work Program. All cities in Oregon are required to adopt a PFP. The PFP combines information from your specific facility master plans. They focus on water, sanitary sewer, and stormwater facilities as well as transportation. In this case since you just adopted an updated Transportation System Plan, this document just references that plan; it doesn't try to repeat all of the information. This document also includes some very brief information about other public facilities and services that the City provides.

The type of information in the PFP is an updated set of goals and policies essentially from your previous PFP, which was adopted in 1990. There are policies based on the individual master plans, and there are some additional policies that just reflect how you provide and build public facilities for water, sewer, and stormwater management. There is also information in the document about existing facilities and services as well as future facilities

and services based on what you are expecting to need to do in the future. It is very brief compared to the more detailed information in the specific master plans. This Plan is more of a reference and summary of the information contained in the master plans. There is also essentially a Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), again based on what is in the master plans. It is a list of projects and a set of costs. We took those costs and updated them to current dollars where that needed to be done depending on when those facility master plans were adopted. There is also information about financing and funding; how you are going to pay for these things both in terms of capital improvements as well as ongoing service provision and maintenance of facilities. There is information about the other public facility providers within the City of Troutdale; how you coordinate with them and any agreements you have with them.

There was a fair amount of attention from both the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) as well as the Planning Commission (PC). There were a couple of changes that were made based on the discussion and review with the PC. One was the removal of a couple of sanitary sewer extension projects. They also caught a typo on one of our maps which has been corrected. There is some language in the Plan that says, just because we list a bunch of specific projects within the Plan that does not obligate the City to go out and build every one of those projects during the timeframe identified in the Plan. That is going to depend on annual updates to your CIPs, resources available, etc. The PC said that language should be upfront in the document so we moved that to the front of the document. Those were the changes made based on the discussion and review with the PC, which subsequently recommended that the Council adopt this Plan.

Councilor White asked on those proposed sewer lines that were pulled out, is there a chance that those might be brought up again in the future or is this it?

Matt Hastie replied there is nothing to prevent the City from identifying the need for those projects in the future. As I understand it they did get removed from your Sanitary Sewer Master Plan. Even though this was an update from a 1990 document, you should probably be updating this plan more often than that. There is nothing to stop you from updating these documents more frequently and from updating your CIP which gets done on a regular basis. Just because it is not in this plan doesn't mean you won't ever do that project. It means at this time the City is not including that project in the PFP and Master Plan.

Councilor White stated on page 4 under Policies it says, "The City shall be the sole public water service provider to all users within the City limits." How does that work if someone is on well water now? Are they allowed to continue that use or are they going to be required to hook up to city water?

Matt Hastie replied generally that means that there isn't another water district or another city providing water service within the City of Troutdale. The City is the sole provider for water; I don't think it prevents someone from getting water from a well.

Travis Hultin, Chief Engineer, replied the key word is public, meaning that we will be the only municipality, service district or any public body that would provide water to our citizens. There is nothing to prevent people from maintaining wells that they already have.

Mayor Daoust opened the Public Hearing at 7:32pm and asked, is there anyone here that would like to speak to the Council on this issue?

No testimony received.

Mayor Daoust closed the Public Hearing at 7:32 and stated that there will be a second hearing at our next meeting.

7. PUBLIC HEARING / ORDINANCE (Introduction): An ordinance adopting text amendments to Comprehensive Land Use Plan Goal 11 Public Facilities and Services in partial fulfillment of Periodic Review Task 3.

Mayor Daoust read the ordinance title.

Matt Hastie, Angelo Planning, stated in addition to being required to adopt a PFP as part of the Periodic Review Work Program, cities are also required to amend their Comprehensive Plans to include certain information from the PFP into the Comprehensive Plan. This ordinance deletes the current text on Public Facilities, Goal 11 within your Comp Plan and essentially replaces it with the document that you have in front of you. The State of Oregon Administrative Rules are pretty specific on what type of information needs to be included in your Comprehensive Plan. We have included some introductory text, which is not one of the items that absolutely has to be included but we think it is helpful. The required information that must be included in the Comprehensive Plan according to the Administrative Rules are:

- A list of projects that are coming from the CIP, which are included in the PFP;
- A set of maps that show the locations of those projects;
- A summary of other public facility providers with an emphasis on water, sanitary sewer, stormwater and transportation, and it can include other information; and
- Any agreements that the City of Troutdale has with those other providers.

That is essentially what is in the proposed set of amendments to your Comprehensive Plan. In discussions with the PC, the same issues were brought up about the sewer extension projects. Those projects were included in an earlier version but they have been removed from the version before you. The PC also wanted to make sure that we listed all of the school districts that provide school facilities within the City of Troutdale. I think we added one. We made a few changes based on input from the PC.

Councilor Allen stated it would seem to me that the whole purpose here is basically to push forward with these projects and if for some reason we are not able to do them financially then we have to update on an annual basis.

Matt Hastie replied no. You don't have to update the PFP or the Comprehensive Plan on an annual basis. This is intended to basically consolidate information from those various

facility master plans into a single public facilities plan document, as well as your comprehensive plan in terms of the list of projects. It is intended to give you a sense of what projects you expect will be needed to meet your approximately 20 year needs for these types of facilities. The City has a separate process of updating your CIP annually in terms of what you are expecting to build and pay for in the next several years. That is really your opportunity to update the list of projects in the shorter term. Because this PFP and the Comp Plan have to look out 20 years there is a recognition that you are not tied to building every one of these projects listed in exactly the timeframe that is listed. You have to look at what resources are available, is growth proceeding as predicted in the master plans, etc. Typically cities adjust that through their annual capital improvement planning process.

Craig Ward stated in my opinion the real purpose of this is transparency. If somebody wants to build here and if they want to understand how the City intends to grow and where investments are going to be made they will have a document that they can review that anticipates that. We have to make periodic decisions in our capital improvement program as to where we actually spend the money based on what real problems occur and are obvious to us. This is a snapshot in time of where we see the City growing and where we see investments to be likely in the next 20 years.

Councilor Allen stated that takes care of my primary concern of trying to predict what the economy is going to do and our public's willingness to pay for the projects which will vary over time. I take it that we still prioritize projects as to which ones are most important to us?

Matt Hastie replied in the PFP priority is essentially based on timing. What do you expect to need to build in the next 5 years, 5 to 10 year period and the 10 to 20 year period. Beyond that, in these documents, things are not ranked in priority order. I am not sure how that works in your capital improvement planning process, which is adjusted more frequently.

Mayor Daoust opened the Public Hearing at 7:40pm and asked, is there anyone here that would like to speak to the Council on this issue?

No testimony received.

Mayor Daoust closed the public hearing at 7:40pm. We will have a second hearing at our next meeting.

8. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Craig Ward, City Manager, provided a handout to the Council (copy included in the packet) showing several options for our City Entrance Signs. Our entrance signs are getting pretty dilapidated. I had emailed the Council with a proposal but I got some feedback, so I would like some direction from the Council tonight. The sign company prepared several images (shown in the handout). There are two sets of options: the old sign with the old logo, or the new sign with the fish logo. We haven't made a formal

decision as far as I can tell to change our logo, but it appears to have changed over time and this is just another reflection of that. Rather than having a new sign created Public Works is proposing that we have a metal sign fabricated with new imagery and it will just be attached to the existing wooden signs that are in place. It will be relatively inexpensive.

Council discussed the nine variations of the entrance sign. The consensus of the Council was to go with: New Logo - Option 1, Ribbon - enlarging the inside border of the oval to include "Gateway to the Gorge". (If possible remove the white space behind the tail of the fish right above the 1907 ribbon.)

Craig Ward stated this fish design is actually a Rip Caswell contribution to the City with the requirement that before we use it or amend it that we run it by him and make sure that he is okay with his artwork being used in this manner.

Craig Ward stated so let's talk about advertising special events in the Champion. We discussed this at the last meeting. I realize there is some discomfort with it. We do have a standard operating procedure regarding this. We can amend that. I just want some direction. I think listing fundraising events in the calendar is a pretty efficient way of getting it done if you choose to go down that path. It really does become potentially problematic. If that is the direction you want to pursue that is fine. At some point, if you want to have a more thorough discussion we need to bring more facts to you in a work session to talk about how to deal with these events.

Councilor Thomas stated in the past when the Lions Club has had their Christmas events, etc. for the community we have allowed that in the calendar in the Champion. I don't know of any time when we allowed for any kind of ads in the Champion. Since it is a non-profit organization that is making this request I am more amenable to putting it on the calendar so people can see it. The real advertisement to draw people in is going to be something glossier and bigger. Having it on the calendar is nice.

Councilor Anderson stated how much does it cost to mail one issue of the champion?

Craig Ward replied it is probably \$1,000 for the mailing costs per issue.

Councilor Anderson stated my thought is that we have annual events that happen every year and so does Fairview and Wood Village. Why couldn't we partner with the other two cities and perhaps even Gresham and mail out a big calendar of events that is separate that folks can hang on to that will show all of the events?

Councilor Wilson stated every year the Outlook puts out a Summer Fun Guide that lists all of the events from Gresham, Troutdale, Fairview, Wood Village that get submitted to them. That is due out at the end of May. That is already being done.

Councilor Anderson asked are we past the deadline?

Councilor Wilson replied no.

Councilor Anderson asked can we get extra copies?

Councilor Wilson replied that would be up to them; they would probably have to buy them.

Councilor Anderson stated we are getting into this area with the Champion where the lines are really getting blurred. We have a lot of events and we should be promoting our events. We should be promoting everything - the Lions Club, Kiwanis Club, The Bite of East County, SummerFest, Tree Lighting, Fall Foliage Studio Tour, and everything that the Chamber is involved in. We should be promoting it. That is a good business for us to be in. The vehicle perhaps is not the Champion. It puts us in an unfortunate position where we have to say yes to you, no to you and that is just unfair to us and the event organizers.

Cari Hachmann, Outlook, stated it is not past the deadline. I am actually working on that right now. I am not sure about providing extra copies.

Mayor Daoust stated the Champion is going to print this week. If we are going to put the Bite of East County on the calendar of events we need to decide tonight so they can squeeze it in.

Councilor Ripma asked and the policy now is to allow non-profits like the Lions Club to list their event on the calendar?

Craig Ward stated calling it a policy overstates its weight.

Debbie Stickney replied groups like the Lions Club and the Boy Scouts, and some of the events that have been in existence before I started here, have always been included in the Champion. The policy that we created was done to curb the former Mayor Jim Kight from including articles promoting/publicizing private businesses. We recently created a policy to help formalize what had been done in the past and to address the business related articles that were being submitted for inclusion in the Champion. In the past there were no written guidelines. The Council adopted a resolution identifying some groups that that are allowed to use the Cox Building for no fee or a reduced fee. I really consider those groups to be sponsored by the City. The group putting together The Bite of East County didn't fall into that category. Their event is a special event under the definition in the Development Code in the sign chapter because it is a fund raising event. That allows them to have vendors in the park and have a banner sign on the corner of 257th.

Mayor Daoust stated so it is a special event. We have not discussed whether it is a community event. I think that would take a council action.

Debbie Stickney stated I believe that the definition for a community event includes that the group or event is somehow sponsored by the city.

Mayor Daoust stated we don't have to do that tonight. I think what I am asking tonight is whether we want to list it in the calendar of events.

Councilor Wilson stated I think by waiving the fees for the use of the park we are kind of sponsoring this event.

Debbie Stickney stated from staff's discussion this morning there were no fees waived. There is no fee to use Columbia Park, therefore there were no fees waived. I don't recall the Council having a discussion about this.

Councilor Anderson asked so you just want clarity on this one event tonight?

Mayor Daoust replied yes. I would like to list it in the calendar of events.

Councilor Anderson replied I am completely for it.

Councilor Wilson replied I am for it.

Councilor Allen asked what were the concerns last time?

Mayor Daoust asked last time being when?

Councilor Allen replied the last time we discussed this kind of thing with the Champion?

Councilor Ripma stated the issue is what will staff do when someone else asks to have their event included. We are in affect saying okay for this group. Staff gets no direction. Right now there are a couple of grandfathered groups that are listed and if we don't change that staff would deny inclusion of this Bite of East County in the Champion like they would anyone else who had a fundraiser going on in the City.

Craig Ward stated if you want to create a thorough policy we will need a work session. There is a lot of complexity that is not apparent. What does it mean to sponsor?

Councilor Ripma stated by waiving the rule this one time, which I think we all want to do, it opens a can of worms.

Councilor Allen stated this is the type of thing we want to support, we just don't know what the parameters would be; that would need to be done in a work session.

Councilor Ripma stated I wouldn't want staff to not have authority to say no to anybody. It is hard to define a rule that gives them guidance. This is a public paper paid for by the taxpayers. I worry about picking and choosing groups. Staff has to be worried about that.

Councilor Allen asked to list the event, it is a one-liner?

Mayor Daoust replied yes. I would think that the public would want to know about it. This goes to every household in Troutdale, unlike the Outlook which does not. We will need to

address the policy later. For now I am proposing that we list this in the calendar of events, the date and location, so people know about it.

Councilor Allen stated I think this is the type of thing that we would want the policy to support.

Councilor Thomas stated it is a good idea to put it in there. If you actually poll people at the event as to where they heard about the event, they would have found it from other advertising. The Champion is paid for by the city to communicate things that go on in the city.

Mayor Daoust replied exactly.

Councilor Thomas stated your argument makes a valid point. If we say you have to come to the Council, having been on the Council a long time I have never seen the Council not cave (inaudible due to passing train). The reason I am supportive of it is because it is being organized by a non-profit that has an established record. That also has a slippery side.

Councilor Ripma stated so if a restaurant in town wants to give 50% of their take to some cause that is a non-profit and they ask staff to put that in the Champion staff would have no basis to say no.

Councilor Anderson stated that is a great subject for the policy discussion.

Mayor Daoust asked for a show of hands of all those in favor of listing the Bite of East County event in the calendar of events in the Champion. 6 members of the Council were in favor.

9. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Councilor White thanked the Troutdale Lions Club for the Easter Egg Hunt. It was well attended and very successful. The Scouts had a pancake breakfast.

Councilor Allen stated I would like permission to talk with our police department about this upcoming proposal from the Sheriff's office.

Craig Ward replied please do.

Councilor Allen stated I try not to interfere with what they are doing.

Craig Ward stated the Chief welcomes any questions from any of the council members.

Mayor Daoust stated I have seven items to discuss.

Town Hall Meeting for downtown businesses:

Mayor Daoust stated I was talking with Claude Cruz about a Chamber/City sponsored Town Hall for the businesses downtown to follow-up on the Gorge Hubs program that was presented at our last meeting, and the Bike Friendly Business Program. There are other subjects that could also be covered like the parking challenges downtown, pros and cons of moving Saturday Market to Mayors Square and what type of Saturday Market we want. Does it take someone from the City to arrange to use the Police Community Room, or can Claude do that?

Craig Ward stated anyone can reach out to the Chief and request to reserve the room. I would recommend that it come from you.

Councilor Thomas stated I would support it if you had a Town Hall for the rest of the businesses, otherwise it needs to be combined.

Councilor Wilson stated if we include the discussion on what we are looking for in a Farmers Market, I think we need to look at other cities that have a successful Farmers Market and either meet with them or invite them to attend and explain what they do and why it is successful.

Councilor Allen stated what about other business areas that we still have vacancy problems with. Is that something that would fit this venue?

Mayor Daoust replied it could.

Moving Municipal Court to the CCB:

Mayor Daoust stated we got some feedback from Paula Goldie and the folks who work with the court and there seems to be some minor challenges. I am wondering how to proceed with that. I talked with Judge Young and he asked why we don't move the municipal court to the police community room. Something that I have brought it up before is why don't we move the council chambers to the police community room. We may need a work session on what to do with municipal court and the council chambers, but I am not satisfied with this council chambers. Quite frankly I think it is embarrassing to have a city council chambers like this when we have a police community room that is available to us. Looking at the timeframe for a new city hall where a council chambers would logically go, it is stretched out over so many years that it is going to take awhile. Meanwhile we are sitting here where we could release this space and not pay rent on it and utilize a building and a room that we already have.

Councilor Anderson stated all of these years I thought it was in the bond language that we couldn't occupy that room for city functions; it had to be police or community. If we can move there we need to move there and we need to do it quickly. This is substandard. We should be there; our court should be there. I fully support engaging staff and having the discussion and see what we can come up with.

Councilor Ripma stated lets not decide this under council concerns. Reading the email from Craig identifying some of the issues with the CCB, there are a lot of considerations

here and this isn't the time. We could direct staff to schedule a work session. I think it is worth discussing.

Mayor Daoust stated I am not asking for a decision. A work session would be fine. Judge Young had concerns about holding court in this room. The security is not here like it is in the police building.

Metro Enhancement Fee:

Mayor Daoust stated some of you have received emails from Councilor Shirley Craddick to discuss this topic. I assume this is a Metro fee that would show up on the Waste Management bill that all of East County would pay. The money would come directly back to Troutdale. I think the bottom line premise of this is that Metro wants to compensate those cities with transfer sites. Troutdale has a transfer site. There are six transfer sites in the Portland Metro area. Four of the cities that have those transfer sites already have this enhancement fee; Troutdale does not. We do not get compensated for the transfer site we have, but four other cities do. This is scheduled for our May 13th meeting.

Metro Nature in Neighborhood Capital Program Grant

Mayor Daoust stated there is \$17 million available for grants from the 2006 bond measure. The grants can be used for trail construction and building things. We have been talking about a couple of trails lately – one along Beaver Creek and the trail connecting to Wood Village by Safeway going down the hill. Wood Village is applying for a Nature in Neighborhood Grant for their trails. I think it would be a good idea for us to tag on to their application to connect our trail with theirs behind Safeway. Maybe we could also get a grant for the trail along Beaver Creek to Depot Museum that Rip Caswell is proposing to connect some of our trails. This has a requirement for matching funds from the city.

Councilor Allen asked is there money available for restoration of the lower Beaver Creek?

Mayor Daoust replied I think that is part of the grant. I would ask staff to check into the criteria for grant.

Arbor Day

Mayor Daoust stated today is Arbor Day. We are a Tree City USA. How many years have we been a Tree City USA? Several Councilors guessed.

Mayor Daoust stated we all know the benefit of trees. We all know that they increase the livability in our city. They are one of the infrastructures that actually increase in value over time. Trees are very important to the city.

Debbie Stickney stated the plaque on the wall behind us indicates the first year was 1997.

City Attorney

Mayor Daoust stated on May 27th we are going to discuss the contract city attorney position recruitment, which is what we asked staff to bring back to us. I was thinking that one thing staff should bring to that meeting is an option for sharing attorneys with

Gresham. They have two assistant attorneys, one of them is Marnie Allen who worked here before. This is no reflection on you Ed. We need to discuss options for what we are going to do for a city attorney. One option could be sharing attorneys with Gresham. We still need to discuss having a contract attorney versus an in-house attorney. We did direct staff to bring back a report and resolution for a contract attorney, but we still need to hash out this in-house verses contract to make sure we are all still on the same playing field with wanting to go with a contract attorney.

Councilor Ripma stated I thought we decided to do that.

Mayor Daoust asked does everyone understand that we decided to go with a contract attorney?

No objections voiced.

Mayor Daoust stated if the Council agrees that is what we already decided, okay. I guess I didn't pick up on that concrete decision. Sharing city attorneys with Gresham, would that be outside of our decision?

Councilor Ripma replied yes.

Councilor Thomas stated the only thing I would want, if you want to discuss that option, is some numbers/costs. Otherwise the decision has already been made.

Former Caswell Gallery Building as Possible City Hall Location

Mayor Daoust stated rather than going out on my own or working with staff to check into a possible city hall location at the former Caswell Gallery building, I would like Council's permission to check into that. I don't want to go into these town hall meetings and have people suggest that building as an option for a city hall without having more information and knowing whether it is up for sale now or will be in the future, and whether it is even an option to consider.

Councilor Ripma asked would this involve spending money?

Mayor Daoust replied no.

Councilor Ripma stated I support it. The more options the better.

Craig Ward stated I support the Mayor looking into this. Some of what the Mayor will find is that the parking is seriously inadequate. It is more inadequate than it appears because the parking that is apparent does not conform to our site requirements. There are structural issues with the building as well.

Councilor Allen stated I would suggest that you talk to Rip about it. He may be able to give you some history on it.

Councilor White stated we need to look at everything. I am still think that a citizen committee would be a good way to look at those different options rather than us just throwing them out piecemeal style. We are going to have to answer to the citizens on this subject.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Councilor Ripma moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilor Anderson. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:29pm.

Doug Daoust, Mayor

Approved May 13, 2014

ATTEST:

Debbie Stickney, City Recorder