

**Troutdale City Council – Regular Meeting
Troutdale City Hall – Council Chambers
104 SE Kibling Avenue
Troutdale, OR 97060-2099**

Tuesday, January 22, 2008

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

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

PRESENT: Mayor Thalhofler, Councilor Kight, Councilor Ripma, Councilor Thomas, Councilor Canfield, and Councilor Kyle.

ABSENT: Councilor Daoust (excused).

STAFF: John Anderson, City Administrator; Rich Faith, Community Development Director; David Ross, City Attorney; and Sarah Skroch, Deputy City Recorder.

GUESTS: None.

Mayor Thalhofler asked is there an agenda update?

John Anderson, City Administrator, replied there are no updates.

2. CONSENT AGENDA:

2.1 ACCEPT MINUTES: October 9, 2007 Regular meeting, October 9, 2007 Work Session, October 23, 2007 Regular meeting, October 23, 2007 Work Session, November 6, 2007 Work Session, and November 20, 2007 Work Session.

2.2 RESOLUTION: A resolution recognizing the completion of the Sturges Bike/Ped Path and accepting it into the City's Fixed Asset System.

2.3 RESOLUTION: A resolution recognizing the completion of the public improvements associated with the Sandy Heights Drainageway project and accepting them into the City's Fixed Asset System.

MOTION: Councilor Kyle moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Councilor Kight. Motion passed unanimously.

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

There was none.

4. PUBLIC HEARING / ORDINANCE (Introduced 1/8/08): An Ordinance amending Chapters 1, 2, 6, and 7 of the Troutdale Development Code pertaining to partition

definitions, procedures for decision making, conditional use permits and land division procedures. (Text Amendment #38).

Mayor Thalhofer opened the public hearing at 7:03pm.

Rich Faith, Community Development Director, stated this ordinance was brought to you two weeks ago. I'll give a quick summary based upon lengthy discussions at various levels. It's been decided that partition plats will all require notification and will be elevated to a Type II procedure. Lot line adjustments will remain as a Type I unless the line that's being adjusted coincides with a zoning boundary in which case it will be treated as if it is a zoning amendment. We also amended Chapter 2 which deals with the various procedures that we follow whether we're talking about a Type I land use application all the way up to a Type IV. Chapter 6 principally deals with conditional uses and making some minor changes. Finally Chapter 7 specifically deals with land division of partition plats. I went over these changes in length at the last meeting. There were no changes suggested at that time and no public comment was offered. So these are coming back to you in the same form that you saw them two weeks ago. These amendments are principally the outcome of citizen concerns that were raised during the Tyson's Place hearings. At the Council's urging we looked at ways to modify our code to provide for more notification in order to prevent anything like that from happening again. The Citizens Advisory Committee spent four sessions last year looking at these amendments and came forward with their recommendation which you ultimately accepted. Then these amendments were taken to the Planning Commission on November 28th at a public hearing at which time the Planning Commission recommended that they go forward to you for adoption.

Councilor Kight asked given the situation with the residents at Sedona Park, do you think that we have enough safeguards in place that we wouldn't have a replication of what happened?

Rich Faith replied with these changes that would not happen.

Mayor Thalhofer closed the public hearing at 7:09pm.

MOTION: Councilor Thomas moved to adopt the Ordinance amending Chapters 1, 2, 6, and 7 of the Troutdale Development Code pertaining to partition definitions, procedures for decision making, conditional use permits and land division procedures. Seconded by Councilor Canfield.

Councilor Thomas stated I think this clears up a lot of issues and brings the public back in the process, especially on land division changes.

Councilor Canfield stated everybody's concerned about lack of notification for certain land uses and I think we've corrected that problem.

Councilor Kight stated Troutdale has a long history of citizen involvement. We have numerous committees that are engaged in City politics. We've always thought about including everyone in the process and by this notification process we won't have any replication of what we had with Sedona Park.

Councilor Ripma stated I support the changes for all the reasons stated.

Mayor Thalsofer stated I support it also.

VOTE: Councilor Kyle – Yes; Councilor Kight – Yes; Councilor Ripma – Yes; Councilor Thomas – Yes; Mayor Thalsofer – Yes; Councilor Canfield – Yes.

Motion Passed 6 - 0.

5. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

John Anderson, City Administrator, stated on Friday the 18th we went live with our Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the Riverfront Renewal Project. Since that time we've had 25 development firms or architects access our website to get copies of the RFQ.

6. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Councilor Kyle stated I wanted to congratulate The Chapel. After 10 years of meeting at Reynolds High School, they finally have a home at the east end of the old Thriftway complex. I attended their dedication on Sunday and it was wonderful. On Saturday I attended the new Eagles group, called the Fairview Troutdale 4515, meeting where they presented a \$1,000 check to Thor and his K-9 handlers. Thor is an 11 month old German Shepard. He was attended by Chief Ken Johnson from Fairview.

Councilor Kight asked do we have an update on the Multnomah County Public Library site?

John Anderson replied I spoke with a County Library staff person and they hope to have their final specifications out to downtown businesses by February 7th. Then they would have those businesses respond by the end of February. They are hoping to go to the Multnomah County Board in March for a final decision.

Councilor Ripma asked what was the Planning Commission's decision regarding FedEx's request for variance on the height of the light poles?

Rich Faith replied the Planning Commission granted the variance request.

Councilor Thomas stated I also attended the building dedication for The Chapel. I talked to several people and they were very excited to have a facility of their own. I would like to congratulate The Chapel on their new building.

Mayor Thalhofer read a letter from Gussie (Norma J.) McRobert dated January 19, 2008. A copy of the letter is attached to the minutes as Attachment A.

7. ADJOURNMENT

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.

Paul Thalhofer, Mayor

Approved March 11, 2008

ATTEST:

Sarah Skroch, Deputy City Recorder