

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

**Tuesday, January 9, 2007**

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

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

**PRESENT:** Mayor Thalhofer, Councilor Kight, Councilor Ripma, Councilor Thomas, Councilor Canfield, Councilor Kyle and Councilor Daoust.

**ABSENT:** None.

**STAFF:** John Anderson, City Administrator; Jim Galloway, Public Works Director; Rich Faith, Community Development Director; Marnie Allen, City Attorney; Debbie Stickney, City Recorder; and Jack Hanna, Code Compliance Officer.

**GUESTS:** See Attached.

**2. ELECTION: Election of the 2007 Council President**

**MOTION:** Councilor Ripma moved to elect Councilor Daoust as Council President. Seconded by Councilor Canfield and Councilor Kight.

Mayor Thalhofer asked are there any other nominations?

None.

**VOTE:** Councilor Thomas – Yes; Mayor Thalhofer – Yes; Councilor Canfield – Yes; Councilor Kyle – Yes; Councilor Daoust – Yes; Councilor Kight – Yes; Councilor Ripma – Yes.

**Motion Passed Unanimously.**

**3. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**3.1 RESOLUTION:** A resolution providing for budget transfers and making appropriation changes for Fiscal Year 2006-07.

**3.2 RESOLUTION:** A resolution accepting two right-of-way deeds from EZ Storage, Inc. for NE Harlow Road right-of-way.

- 3.3 RESOLUTION:** A resolution accepting a public utility easement from EZ Storage, Inc. adjacent to the NE Harlow Road right-of-way.
- 3.4 RESOLUTION:** A resolution approving the First Amended City Attorney Employment Agreement.

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

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

None.

**5 REPORT:** A report on a recent solid waste survey conducted by Waste Management.

Dean Kampfer, Community and Municipal Manager for Waste Management, stated we are here this evening to present to you the 2006 solid waste recycling efforts that Waste Management and the City of Troutdale conducted. In the packet we have provided to you (copy in the packet) you will find information on the new service option presented to the citizens of Troutdale offering the residential roll cart for recycling. Later in the year we sent out a survey to all of the residential customers and a copy of that is included as well. Also included in the information is a copy of the PowerPoint presentation that Mike Jefferies will be presenting to you.

Mike Jefferies, Oregon Revenue Manager for Waste Management, showed the Council a PowerPoint presentation (Attachment A to the minutes) that included information on the following topics: 1) Who is Waste Management of Oregon; 2) Services provided to the City; 3) Review of customer survey; 4) Community involvement; 5) Rate comparison; and 6) Franchise agreement update.

Councilor Thomas asked what do you consider construction debris and how do you recycle that?

Dean Kampfer replied construction debris is typically a drop box service. A truck delivers the drop box at the customer's site and the customer fills the box. When they are done we come back and pick up the drop box and take it to the transfer station in Troutdale where the dry waste is sorted out. The typical items we pull out are wood, metal, cardboard, rigid plastics, carpet and carpet pad. Through our agreement with Metro we are required, at a minimum, to pull out 25% of the recoverable items in the dry waste to maintain our franchise with Metro.

Councilor Kyle asked are the roll carts supposed to be less likely to tip over? Do the lids latch?

Dean Kampfer replied they do not latch and one of the reasons is if the whole community uses the roll carts we use an automated truck that has an arm that reaches out and dumps

the carts, which is the most efficient way to collect residential garbage or recycling. The physical shape, size and the weight helps prevent them from tipping over.

Councilor Canfield stated the wind has blown over my regular garbage can but it has never blown over my recycling roll cart.

Councilor Kyle stated I saw one knocked over last week that was on Columbia River Highway.

Councilor Daoust asked did you say that you have noticed an increase in recycling since you implemented the voluntary recycle roll carts?

Dean Kampfer replied typically in the areas where we put the roll carts out we see increases of 10% to 20% in recycling volumes. It is a little too early to make that comparison for Troutdale.

Mike Jefferies stated we usually like to have one year worth of data to look at before we make that determination. What we have seen in other jurisdictions is typically a two pound per week drop in your average set out weight for your garbage with an increase in recycling.

Councilor Daoust stated in the curby you want the glass separated. Can you put the glass in the roll carts?

Dean Kampfer replied glass and motor oil need to be set out on the side, not in the roll cart. All of the other material can be put in the roll cart.

Councilor Kight stated in your survey you asked how satisfied people were with the roll cart recycling service and 99% were somewhat satisfied to very satisfied. Have you considered eventually phasing out the curby altogether?

Dean Kampfer replied that is a policy issue for the Council to make. Our goal would be to have every customer have a roll cart so that we could eventually use the automated truck which would increase our production and help us contain costs to the city.

Councilor Kight stated one of the complaints that you have with residential property that is adjacent to new construction is construction debris blowing around the neighborhood. Have you considered putting a net over the drop boxes so that material can not be blown out of the top?

Mike Jefferies replied when we transport a drop box we make sure that it is covered. We can look into requiring customers to use a covered drop box which has a lid and when it is not in use they would be required to have the lid closed.

Councilor Kight stated some of the drop boxes that I have been renting have a rear entry. They have a lid on the top and they have doors that open up on one of the sides of the drop

box and that almost totally eliminates debris blowing out. Is that something that you have considered?

Mike Jefferies replied we do have those and we can offer those to the customers. It really depends on what the use of the drop box will be. One thing that we can take back to our customer service department is to try and get a better understanding of what the drop box will be used for and then we can make a recommendation of going towards a closed box if they aren't going to be loading it with a truck that has a bucket that would need to load from the top.

## **6. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

John Anderson stated currently we have one item scheduled for the January 23<sup>rd</sup> Council meeting, which is the City Attorney evaluation and we have two items scheduled for January 30<sup>th</sup>, council goal setting and the evaluation of the Municipal Court Judge. We would like to consolidate those two nights and hold only one meeting, either on the 23<sup>rd</sup> or the 30<sup>th</sup>.

Council agreed to schedule all three topics on January 30<sup>th</sup>.

John Anderson stated for the goal setting work session, the past couple of years we have taken the goals and objectives from the prior year and indicated the status of each goal. The Council then builds a new list of goals for the upcoming year. Staff takes that list and creates some action items. Would you like to continue with that process, use a more elaborate process, or hire a facilitator for this years goal setting work session?

Council agreed to use the same process.

Mayor Thalhoffer asked that we also add the following two topics to the agenda: Review of the Council Rules and Council Relations.

## **7. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilor Thomas thanked the City of Troutdale for the opportunity to serve another four years on the Council.

Councilor Thomas stated I noticed that Gresham has been looking at the grocery cart issue. I would like to have a work session to discuss this issue to see if there is a way to control the number of grocery carts that are sitting around Troutdale.

John Anderson stated staff has had some conversations regarding what our options are. We can bring those to a work session for your review/discussion.

Councilor Kight stated it has been my experience that there are private contractors that go around with large flatbed trailers and pick them up.

John Anderson stated that was one of the options that we discussed. We thought it might be interesting to explore having one contractor serve all four cities.

Councilor Canfield stated I want to discuss a topic that we discussed at a work session a couple of months ago regarding our allocated capacity of dwelling units required by Metro. Right now we are 248 dwelling units in excess of our allocated capacity. If we keep going with our future capacity we would be over by another 1,290 units. If you add the current 248 units that we are in excess of now to the 1,290 dwelling unit capacity for our vacant residential lands, we will have 1,538 dwelling units in excess of Metro's Title 1 required allocation. That doesn't seem right to me. Right now our current future mixed housing opportunity is attached and multi-family dwelling at 52% and detached single-family dwellings at 47%. It seems to me that there should be something that we could do about this. I would like to see if there is a consensus on the Council to direct staff to determine if there is a way to have a temporary moratorium on issuing building permits for attached and multi-family dwellings until we can get things caught up to more of a 50/50%.

John Anderson stated we can add that to the follow-up work session discussion Rich Faith will be scheduling in February.

Councilor Kyle thanked all the friends of the Council for showing up tonight.

Councilor Daoust stated 2007 is going to be a good year. It is the 100 year celebration of the City of Troutdale. We will have a lot of exciting events to celebrate our 100 years. Tonight we had some of the historic photos on display, which will also be displayed at the First Friday Art Walks.

Councilor Kight thanked all of the voters in Troutdale that voted for him. I look forward to the new County Library. I know that the Mayor is on that committee and the voters passed that. It is amazing that we are a city of 15,000 people and we don't have our own library. That, along with the development of the south side of Troutdale with the passage of urban renewal, and the Port of Portland property, there are a lot of exciting things happening in this city. I concur with Councilor Canfield about reduction of multi-family units in Troutdale. People are tired of the high density in Troutdale. One of the reasons folks moved here is because they like the single-family homes, the residential community and they like feeling like they are a part of the community and when you have people jammed into apartment complexes that are 600 to 700 units you tend to lose that. I look forward to working on the council and with all the folks here in the community and hopefully we will all pull together and accomplish quite a bit in the next four years.

Councilor Ripma stated this is our Centennial year. The date that Troutdale was incorporated was October 2, 2007. Building up to that week in October we have a lot of activities planned. There is a Centennial Committee that is meeting monthly and we are coming up with all kinds of exciting things.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT:**

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:54pm.

**Paul Thalhofer, Mayor**

**Dated: Approved 4/10/07**

**ATTEST:**

**Debbie Stickney, City Recorder**