

CITY COUNCIL PARK PURCHASE  
COMMITTEE MEETING

March 4, 1976

Commissioners present: M. Mahoney, R. Dix, S. Cox, F. Kaiser,  
Atty B. Freeman, Rec. B. Bergstrom, Mayor  
R. M. Sturges

Meeting called to order at 7:25 PM.

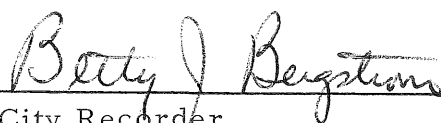
Discussion among those present concerning recent meeting proposing  
242nd as the ideal arterial from Gresham to the freeway 80N.

The Mayor presented the question of our proposed park purchase.  
Atty. B. Freeman explained the obligation of the city to pay the en-  
tire amount in full before grant funds are released from Salem, for  
partial (1/2) payment. At this time the City is hard pressed to come  
up with that much money either in this budget or next years. After  
considerable discussion it was felt by the committee that the City must  
regretfully decline to purchase said property and release the grant.  
This will be proposed at the next council meeting for the other members  
to make a motion on the issue and solution.

The problem of the land for the Depot relocation was discussed revealing  
that the formerly leased land from the Railroad is now going to cost  
the City \$500 a year approximately for each of the two parcels totaling  
nearly \$1,000 a year. One of these parcels is directly involved in the  
turn-around planned for the Depot as a bus stop and could wreck the  
planned use of the Depot. Since time is limited and the Depot is sched-  
uled to be moved this week, it was felt we should stick to the original  
plan of placement of the depot and work out the problem with the rail-  
road as quickly as one can. Either buy the land in question, or pay  
the lease new amount if necessary, or move the depot to a better spot.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 PM.

  
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Mayor

  
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City Recorder