

CANBY CITY COUNCIL
WORKSHOP SESSION
MARCH 21, 2001

PRESENT: Mayor Terry Prince, Council members Walt Daniels, Randy Carson, Shirley Strong, Corey Parks, City Administrator Mark Adcock, Budget Committee Member Melody Thompson, Marty Moretty, and David Howell. Representatives from Canby Historical Society included Peggy Sigler, Debbie Gustin, and Kathleen Heynderickx.

Mayor Prince called the session to order at 6:14 p.m. A light dinner was served; the group met at the Depot Museum.

The Council met in workshop session with Partner Agency Canby Historical Society as they discussed their projects and programs.

Mayor Prince adjourned the session at 7:09 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION
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Mayor Terry Prince presiding. Council members present Walt Daniels, Patrick Johnson, Randy Carson, Shirley Strong, and Corey Parks. Councilor Teresa Blackwell was absent. Also present: City Administrator Mark Adcock, City Attorney John Kelley, Recreation Services Director Beth Saul, Community Development Director Jerry Pineau, Police Chief Jerry Giger, David Howell, Steven Amick, Marty Moretty, Joyce Peters, Planning Director John Williams, Larry Blunck, Ray Hoen, Donna and Leonard Walker, Nathan Clayton, Linda Runyan-Finden, Georgia Newton, Jim Newton, Curtis and Lila Gottman, Ron Yarbrough, Bernie Levy, Bev Doolittle, Linnell Mikkelsen, Jim Brown, and Craig Finden.

Mayor Prince called the regular session to order at 7:31 p.m., followed by the opening ceremonies.

CITIZEN INPUT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: Bernie Levy residing at 111 NW 10th Avenue in Canby, spoke in two capacities. He was speaking as the Vice President of the Friends of the Canby Public Library and invited Mayor and Council to join the Friends organization at ten dollars per year. The organization provides for activities, various improvements such as upholstering, and purchasing books that are not budgeted. The Friends do not run the Library, but rather supplement the budget. Raising money becomes an on-going necessity in order to fulfill the needs of the Library.

Councilor Johnson turned in his membership application along with Councilor Blackwell's.

He addressed his second issue speaking as a citizen, and referred to himself as a shareholder in

the enterprise Canby, the City Administrator serving as the CEO of the enterprise and the Mayor and Council as its Board of Directors.

He has read in the newspaper about cuts and is aware of the budgetary shortfall of the City. In his eleven years in the city, it seems like there is always a crisis for the Library. As a shareholder, he is concerned. Several years ago, the Library had to close two days a week unless \$6,000 was raised. He was instrumental in securing those funds through the generous donations of Frank Cutsforth, Hank Jarboe, Canby Ford, and Larry Cole of CTA. This money allowed the doors to remain open for that three month shortfall period. 80% of the Library's budget is gained through book circulation from the County, so the more books that are checked out in Canby, the more circulation money is derived from County.

Now, there is a freeze on staff; Measure 50 has taken its toll and there are no longer are there cash carryovers. But this freeze should not affect the head librarian whose position is open due to the freeze. He would like to provide some constructive ideas and would like to "think outside the box" by looking at what Molalla has done. After speaking with Molalla City Administrator Gene Green and Librarian Randy Culver, he discovered that they applied for federal, state, and private organizational grants and were able to build a new facility. They are funding the portion that does not come through the County with grants. Canby has 13,552 card carrying patrons compared with Molalla's of 9,200. While their population is less than half the size of Canby's, they service a community that uses the Library in the area of 16,500 while Canby services in excess of 25,000 people. He feels that if Molalla can do it, Canby can, too.

He challenged the City to fund new constructive ways, through grant writing particularly, to raise the funds that it usually contributes to the Canby Library. Patrons can go to a different library if ours reduces its service, resulting in less money coming from County due to less circulation. The Library serves many needs, it educates, informs and entertains. Please keep it alive and vibrant.

Ray Hoen of 309 SE 1st Avenue, Canby, addressed the Council as a member of the Urban Renewal Advisory Committee. He drew an analogy between a ship and the URD. Over a year ago, many people got together and constructed a three-masted sailing ship. They set a twenty year course of things to do and events. The winds that were driving the ship were increment financing. There are 18 years and 9 months remaining on the present URD. During the past 6 months, the sails have been dropped and the ship is going nowhere.

His question is why hasn't the Urban Renewal Agency worked with the Task Force? This meeting is long overdue. The recent zoning meetings have proved to be an education for the Council as well as the public. If you own property as of today in Clackamas County, you are paying into the Clackamas County Urban Renewal District; part of that money is paying for the overpass on Hwy. 205. If the Fire Department thinks that the property owners should pay for all project costs, then those people who have a fire should pay for it. Why should others pay for someone else's fire? This theory obviously doesn't hold up, everyone should work together. The Urban Renewal has a lot of advantages towards public benefit. He finds a lacking in the resolve to do something with the Urban Renewal. As this is discussed on the Council level, he would caution them because they wear two hats - one as the Agency, and one as the Council.

When Urban renewal issues are discussed, Council should adjourn and reconvene as the Agency. "Those who understand interest, make money. Those that don't, pay it. Those who understand increment financing, do wonderful and great things. Those that don't, nothing happens."

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: Volunteer Service Week -

Jim Brown stated that he resided at 1207 SE 14th Avenue in Canby, and was a member of the Canby 2nd Ward of the LDS Church. As one of the larger congregations in the area, they have had a desire to be involved in service for a significant period of time. Last year, they held a service project in the Colton area and it ended up exceeding their expectations and a positive experience both for the church members and the Colton residents. This year, Canby was selected as the community as they extend their reach for a service project. Their church organizational structure draws members from the two local wards and six other outlying congregations from the Oregon City, Molalla, and Colton areas, with a combined total of over 3,500 members. With the structure and leadership already in place, it has allowed them to bring a significant number of people into these projects. Last year in the Colton project, they drew in more than 800 workers. Due to the austere conditions of the budget, they felt this was an opportunity to do something special in the Canby area.

Mr. Brown introduced Larry Blunck, 16188 S Gelbrich Road, Canby, the Second Counselor in the Stake Presidency of the Oregon City Stake and Co-Chair of the Event. He reported that in the Colton project over 800 people participating and with several projects leading up to the Service Day, 4000-5000 hours of work were donated. Projects included such things as cleaning of schools, building a road, constructing a walk path around one of the schools, cleaning windows, renovating a playground to be ADA compliant, removing gum, refurbishing three cemeteries, working on historic churches, and working on a Lutheran church community center. Expecting around 200 people to participate, over 800 people came.

The idea to do the service project in Canby was presented to the Mayor several weeks ago and he was enthusiastic. They are proposing to Council four different types of projects for that day.

1) Neighborhood Projects: Families in Canby are invited to organize service projects in their own neighborhoods, for example household repairs or yard work for an elderly or handicapped neighbor.

2) Community Work Projects: Larger projects to provide events that the budget cannot handle where civic leaders will be contacted for suggestions of worthy community work projects for example, cleaning up a vacant lot, parks projects.

3) Collection Drives: Citizens are invited to contribute items needed by charitable organizations in our City, such as local food banks, and Clackamas County Foster Care Clothes Closet. Some citizens cannot physically come out to do the work, but would be willing to make food or clothing contributions.

Mr. Blunck introduced Linnell Mikkelsen to speak of the fourth type of project.

Linnell Mikkelsen of 13141 S. New Era Road wanted to emphasize the involvement of families and focused on projects that could be done by families, children, and people with physical and health limitations.

4) Independent Service Projects: Special projects will be available for participants at a central location. Items made will be distributed locally and internationally. The activities from the event in Colton included children coloring and decorating placemats and donated to the Loaves and Fishes; produced quilts that were donated to the Molalla Crisis Pregnancy Center, and senior citizens' homes. It was very rewarding for the participants and helpful to the recipients and organizations and they would like to do something similar for the Canby event. A large location is needed to hold this event so that quilting frames and sewing machines can be set up.

She announced that Patricia Welch, resident of Canby and renowned quilter, is creating a quilt incorporating the Neighbor to Neighbor logo and local landmarks, such as City Hall and Pioneer Chapel. This quilt will be on display at various locations in Canby prior to the July 21st service day. Canby residents will be invited to submit stories about someone who has been a good neighbor to them. The quilt will be given as a gift of a selected "good neighbor" in the finale activities the evening of the service day.

Evening festivities will acknowledge the contributions of all and provide an opportunity to share with one another the accomplishments of the day. Music will be provided by local musicians, lots of food and refreshments will be available. This will be a time to relax and socialize after a day of hard and fulfilling work.

Jim Brown stated that this Neighbor to Neighbor project is not something they are asking the Council to do. Their group is co-ordinating the effort and are already in the planning stage. They are coming before them tonight with a few requests. First, they would like to have the endorsement of the Council. They feel they will try to accommodate eight specific projects; they have also contacted the School District. There are obviously some constraints, such as the amount of people available and projects that could be accomplished in one day. In some instances last year, there was some prep work prior to the Service Day.

He also asked that the Mayor and Council participate in the event, if at all possible. The group would need some logistical support such as finding a downtown school to serve as the "nerve center" for distributing people and materials. They would also ask that staff be contacted to see if they would be able assist on that day and if any needed equipment from the City could be made available. Their group brings people and lots of enthusiasm but not pockets full of money.

Mayor Prince stated that the issue of insurance had come up, and Mr. Brown stated that their group is self-insured. Mr. Brown stated that if they needed any City equipment, that they would request that City employees use it. There are some projects that could involve use of larger equipment than their group could provide, such as removing bollards at Community Park.

Mr. Brown said that he would also like help in spreading the word and contacting neighborhood groups. They will also need assistance in the staging areas and they would like to use Wait Park for the Finale Event. The event will happen and they are happy to be involved in the community, but with the support and added efforts of the City, it can be better. He asked that the video of last year's event be shared among the Council to give everyone a better idea of what can happen.

Councilor Carson wanted to make sure that there were contact people for their organization to pass along project ideas. Mr. Brown provided the list and also stated that while the big projects would be rewarding, the most important focus of the day would be the individual neighbors helping neighbors.

Mayor Prince agreed that this was the strength of the whole event, to reach into the community and find the people who need help. The hardest thing about putting an event like this together is always organization so having this group already step up with the ability to co-ordinate is exceptional. Mayor Prince hoped that the City would be able to provide and realized that with the state of the budget, lots of projects would not even get done in the next year or two.

Jim Brown wanted to make sure that everyone realized that these projects would not be an on-going commitment, but rather a one time thing.

Mayor Prince appreciated that even this one day would be a great start and hopefully other community groups such as Canby Kids, and St. Patrick's, could be part of this and help with getting some of the projects done during the Community Service Week culminating in the Community Service Day.

Jim Brown stated that last year had been so rewarding because it seemed that when the statement "what if" were asked, things would fall into place and the project would somehow get done, such as building a road. They want to make sure that the projects chosen are ones that can be accomplished and finished that day rather than leave the City or others with unfinished jobs.

Mr. Brown asked that he be allowed to come back to Council with updates and there was a consensus by Council to support the project. Staff was directed to come up with projects and make sure that Wait Park is available and then reserve.

Councilor Parks felt that Council consider all of Mr. Brown's requests and be given time to think and talk about them and come back with answers.

Mr. Brown said that all he was looking for tonight was a "thumbs up" from Council and they would continue to proceed.

Mayor Prince again restated that he had the support.

CONSENT AGENDA: **Councilor Strong moved to adopt the consent agenda: minutes of the special meeting, February 28, 2001; and the regular workshop and regular meeting, March 7, 2001; and accounts payable in the amount of \$216,772.95. Motion seconded by Councilor Carson and passed 5-0.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Fund Exchange Agreement between ODOT and City of Canby for N Ivy Street Project was presented by Community Development Director Jerry Pineau. This is the

fourth one that the City has participated in and will be the last year that this particular program will be available. Federal dollars are exchanged for state dollars which allow us more flexibility in doing projects. Projects can be done for a lesser cost, more effective and efficient, and in a more timely manner. The amount of federal dollars is \$69,430 and in the exchange, the City will receive \$65,264 through the State. The funds are earmarked to the North Ivy Street Project, as have the preceding ones, and is an ODOT approved project. After this year, the City will go through the STP program but the process is more intricate.

The proposal for the funds is for the expenditures to be appropriated into the 2001-2002 budget and earmarked so that those funds would be used for nothing but that project. There will be some preliminary engineering and street utility alignments in preparation for doing the project. The actual bidding and construction will not occur unless or until sufficient funding is acquired and the City Council approves and authorizes the construction.

Neighborhood meetings are proposed as a way of informing the citizens in the area. The recommendation tonight is for the Council to authorize the Mayor to execute the 2000 fund exchange agreement between ODOT and the City of Canby from 99E and Ivy to N. 10th Avenue.

****Councilor Daniels moved to authorize the Mayor to execute the 2000 fund exchange agreement between Oregon Department of Transportation and the City of Canby for the North Ivy Street project from Highway 99E to North 10th Avenue. Motion seconded by Councilor Carson and passed 5-0.**

Councilor Johnson asked what "strings" were attached to the federal dollars. Community Development Director Jerry Pineau responded that there would need to be a Request for Proposal for engineering services, then go out for bid under federal guidelines which would require a long process. Under the federal guidelines, right-of-ways would have to actually be purchased, the utilities would probably not be allowed to be relocated in this process, but done separately. So Councilor Johnson restated that the engineering and other bidding processes would take quite a bit longer, the purchase of right of way vs. the dedication of right-of-way, and moving the utilities would be much harder under the federal guidelines than under the State, justifying the small loss on the money.

Councilor Parks stated that it essentially gives the City more flexibility not to have all the procedural regulations attached as to how and on what it is spent. For example, the City has the ability to do paving and that would not be possible to do with federal money.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Status Report on Withdrawal from Tri Met - Planning Director John Williams first thanked all those who participated in the zoning meetings. There was a turnout of between 130-150 people and there will be a second round of neighborhood meetings in late May.

Regarding Tri Met, there are now over 900 signatures thanks to many tireless workers collecting

signatures, with a couple hundred to go. Petitions are available at several businesses, the Library and City Hall. He is hoping for a plan to come to Council on the first meeting in April, as was the wish of the Council and the Task Force to allow as much time as possible to complete all the processes.

Mayor Prince wanted to state that there were now petitions at the Canby Library. There are parallel processes continuing to assure funding for the buses and operating the system. Darlene Hooley, Rick Metsger, Kurt Schrader and Gordon Smith have all been helping move along the process.

Mr. Williams also stated on a side note that as a result of the neighborhood meetings on zoning, it was requested by citizens that other town meetings be held on other issues of interest. The Mayor stated that there are citizens who would like to get together in smaller groups and give people a chance to talk without having to speak in front of the cameras.

To sign the petition, one needs to live within Canby's urban growth boundary and be a registered voter.

Mr. Williams said there were some issues that needed to be flagged since Staff and the Public Transportation Advisory Committee have been using certain basic assumptions to create the plan and would like Council to approve, deny, or modify these working assumptions so the plan can be finalized.

The first is to either form a transit district or have the City provide the services, and their assumption and recommendation has been to make it a City department. A transit district is an independent government that has taxing ability and serves a broad area, such as Tri Met and Molalla's system. He has seen ours as more of a City-based service independent of the areas around us, and don't see any interest in creating another level of government. Although there are options as to how it would operate as a City department, this would be the first level, to ask for consensus on what type Council would recommend. *There was consensus from Council that this system would be a City-run department with separate dedicated funds.*

Councilor Parks added the importance of separating that department and its dedicated funding and staffing, because it would be tempting to steal staff. Administrator Adcock concurred, stating that it needed to be set up as an enterprise operation. Mr. Williams said that he had been working with the City Administrator and City Treasurer to create a department for this in the 2001-2002 budget since it would start within that time period.

The next issue would be after creating a city-run department, to either provide the service by using City employees or do contract service. The recommendation by Staff would be to hire a full-time Transit Director, to be a City employee in either scenario. That Transit Director would be directly supervising operations of the contract service or directly supervising the City employees. The City of Sandy contracts out all their service provision whereas Wilsonville's SMART bus service is a city department and all bus drivers and personnel are city staff. In the short run, Staff is recommending contract services at this time. The main advantage is the time

involved in hiring and creating descriptions for the personnel, operating and personnel policies, etc., all to be done before January of 2002. There are several companies in the Portland area who can provide these services, either public or private providers.

Staff is recommending contract service due to the efficiency and because it would be less expensive. This only affects the startup operation and at some point down the road, the City may want to have more direct control.

Councilor Parks asked Mr. Williams if this Transit Director position would be considered a full time job and Mr. Williams said that it would be. The City of Sandy has a full time Director and Mr. Williams foresees that Canby would be providing more service. Mr. Parks asked what the contract period typically was for those services and Mr. Williams said that they hadn't gotten into that level of detail yet with the providers, but felt that they would probably want a level of commitment somewhere in the area of one year.

Councilor Carson asked if the City purchased the equipment and then contracted for drivers and maintenance and Mr. Williams said that is what he would suggest. Councilor Carson also stated that grants could possibly be obtained for the equipment, then it would leave the cost of contracting out the services.

Councilor Johnson asked if there would be enough time to go out for a RFP on contract service by January 2, 2002. Mr. Williams answered that there would be enough time for that process but the shorter time line will be to obtain the vehicles. Councilor Johnson asked if there are contract services who would also provide the buses as well as the drivers. Mr. Williams said that there were companies out there that could provide both but that there were few companies that had spare buses on hand, although there are a few that would. He also said that there might be a situation where short term leasing or lending would be necessary.

Councilor Johnson said that he was using the assumption that the Public Transportation Task Force was also making the same recommendations as Mr. Williams was presenting tonight and Mr. Williams answered to the affirmative.

Council recommended consensus for contract services. Mayor Prince felt that this decision was natural to give Tri Met confidence that we would use a provider that they would be comfortable with and that the learning curve would be too high to try to put the City employee scenario in place in such a short time. It would certainly be something that could be considered at a later time. Mr. Williams wanted to make it clear that all of this money would be coming from the existing transit tax; none of it would be coming from the general fund.

The third question on the application is what would be the nature of the oversight of the Agency, how is citizen involvement being assured over time, and what is the involvement of the community and is their support behind this venture. Mr. Williams suggested that the Task Force be formalized by creating a Public Transportation Advisory Committee with a smaller membership of 6-7 rather than the current 16 member Task Force.

Parks posed the idea of folding all the transportation committees into one rather than all the various groups, like Bike & Ped, and Traffic Safety. Perhaps a lot of the issues would be similar and that maybe another advisory committee might have competing recommendations with other forms of transportation. Mr. Williams did not see the Public Transportation Advisory group dealing with other transportation issues, that the other advisory groups dealt with separate issues and their expertise would also be separate enough not to combine into one group.

Councilor Daniels also felt that this Advisory group would be very involved for at least the next year and didn't feel that it would want to take on any more burden from the other groups.

Councilor Carson wanted to reiterate that this recommendation needed to be made before submitting the application and proposal to Tri Met. He felt that the original group needed to be pared down to a smaller, more formalized group and add more members, if needed.

Mayor Prince questioned whether the business group was involved in the Task Force and Mr. Williams said that they did have representation.

Councilor Daniels suggested the rotation of members so that the terms don't all expire at once.

Mayor Prince said there had been a comment asking if the membership should be limited to the Urban Growth Boundary with perhaps at least one member-at-large who lived outside that area but whose input would be valuable.

Councilor Parks stated that there are those people who don't live inside the boundary but do take advantage of the Tri Met service.

Mayor Prince wanted to make sure that at least part of the committee be open to that. There are people serving on the committee now who fall into that category and use the service and it would be good to allow them to continue.

Council was in consensus to pursue the creation of a formalized Public Transportation Advisory Committee.

Status Report re: Contracting of Computer Services - Administrator Adcock reviewed with the current Council stating that last year in the budget process, there was the question raised of contracting services as a measure of cost savings and improving services within the organization. A Request for Proposal was published in September 2000, with no responses, and since then Mr. Pineau has directly contacted possible interested parties with the request.

Mr. Pineau restated that the second try was through direct solicitation to local vendors who did similar computer services to other municipalities, agencies, and businesses of comparable size to our system. The RFP was issued on March 5, 2001 and closed on March 19, 2001. Five providers were contacted: Creative Data of Beaverton, Sterling Works Solution of Beaverton, JWW Consulting of Tigard, Reset Inc. of Canby and Integrated Management Resources of Canby. Proposals were received back from two vendors, JWW and Integrated Management

Resources which will be reviewed by an RFP review committee consisting of Debbie Naab, Canby Utility's Contract Manager, Recreation Services Manager Beth Saul, Joyce Peters OS3 with the City, and Mr. Pineau. Negotiations will be conducted by the RFP Committee and finalized by the City Administrator before presentation to the City Council on or about April 18, 2001 but no later than May 2, 2001. It is too early to determine if the proposals contain any cost savings, but that information will be presented at the time of recommendation.

Councilor Johnson asked if it would be appropriate to include a Councilor on the review committee and Mr. Adcock responded that this is a task for staff.

Status Report re: SDC Review Process - Planning Director John Williams stated that he, City Engineer Curt McLeod, Project Planner Matilda Deas, and Community Development Director Jerry Pineau have been working on the Transportation, Sanitary Sewer, Stormwater, and Parks System Development Charges. These have all been revised at various times in the last three to four years but as part of the Periodic Review Process, they are adopting the new capital improvement plans for each one as well as doing growth projections from the Buildable Lands Study. So this has become a good opportunity to put them all together and do a complete update of all the SDC's at one time. The advantage of it is to be able to look at the impact of costs as a package all at one time. Basically, all the information is together in draft form as of March 21, 2001, and need to provide a 45 day notice to all interested parties according to State law. There is also a small list of those with construction interests who will have an opportunity to look at the materials during that time period.

At this time, Mr. Williams is proposing to put the SDC hearing on the May 16, 2001 Council meeting. At least the Transportation, Parks, and Stormwater are looking at an increase. Information will be provided to Council in advance of the hearing. He assured Council that he would keep them involved the closer the time came to the hearing. It will be generally published in addition to those on the interested parties list.

Administrator Mark Adcock announced that there was a fact sheet for them tonight on the Urban Renewal Advisory Committee since the application deadline ended today at 5pm. Mr. Pineau and Joyce Peters have set forth the points in the Agency Resolution that established the Advisory Committee, and have enclosed copies of the applications. The Mayor had asked that other committee information also be enclosed. In order for any action to be taken to appoint committee members, the Council must be sitting as the Agency.

Mayor Prince wanted this to happen at the next Council meeting after having time to review.

Councilor Carson clarified that there are nine positions that are appointed to serve as representatives from groups. While the people holding those positions might change, the group position has a permanent slot on the Advisory Committee. Those positions are the Fire Board, Canby Utility, Clackamas Community College Board, Canby School Board, Planning Commission, Canby Chamber of Commerce, Canby Business Revitalization, IAA, and a business owner. Those are not open positions but each of those groups appoint one of their members to serve. In the paper, it only stated that there were nine openings and didn't indicate

that some of the positions are to be filled with group-appointed members.

Councilor Carson said at this time there were only three citizen positions and he would be willing to discuss at time of appointment, the possibility of increasing that number to four or five.

Councilor Johnson agreed that he would like to see more balance on the Advisory Committee.

CITIZEN INPUT: Lila Gottman of 10381 S. Mulino Road, Canby-

“Mr. Mayor, I would like to know why this Council, some of the members of this Council and yourself, continue to talk about a divided community. We talk about people who live within the URD and ‘the others’. And, if you ask people who have an interest in this town because they pay taxes to the School District, their children live here, or they shop here, they have an address of Canby, they come here, they say ‘I’m from Canby’. And it’s my opinion that as long as we talk about ‘us’ and ‘them’, that’s what we’re going to be - we’re not going to be a united community. And I would like that situation to be addressed.

Mayor Prince: “I think about...”

Ms. Gottman: “Why do we continue to talk about people who live inside the UGB, can be on advisory committees, can be on this board or that board, and we limit it to those people. Why do we make that distinction?”

Mayor Prince: “Because some of our committees are by statute though, by residents only.”

Ms. Gottman: “You just talked about forming one and made that assurance that we’re only going to have those people. People who are already on the advisory committee to the task force for the transportation committee, a lot of them are outside the UGB and a lot of them have done a tremendous amount of work for that task force.”

Mayor Prince: “Lila, I think you misunderstood when I made that comment, I made that comment hoping that we would have somebody from outside the Urban Growth Boundary..”

Ms. Gottman: “No, not just somebody, but, but, what I’m saying is, you make it a limited situation. Why isn’t it equal? Why isn’t there an equal amount of people from the UGB or from outside the UGB? Why do we even have to have that discussion? Why don’t we just have citizens.”

Mayor Prince: “Well, you bring up a good point. Corey, I know you want to say something.”

Councilor Parks: “I don’t want to say anything. I guess the point is, in some respects, that sometimes those situations have different taxing burdens on them. If you live inside the City, you pay taxes that you don’t pay outside the City.”

Ms. Gottman: "You're talking about advisory committees that come to this Council, advise."

Councilor Parks: "I'm just pointing out the reason why those are set up that way. It seems to me that it's appropriate to give the people that are paying for this City to operate, first crack at having a comment and an opportunity to influence how that money is spent. I don't think that's unreasonable. I think this Council has in the past, and will continue, to try to involve people who live outside the City in decisions that affect those people and some input, as the Bike and Ped Committee has, on issues that affect them when they come to the City. That doesn't mean that we're trying to exclude those people. I certainly don't view those people who live outside the city limits as different people than people who live inside the limits but, there are reasons why you have that set up. I receive the same comment that you're providing on the other side - people say 'Why do you let anybody who lives outside the City comment on how we spend money that's paid by people who live inside the City?' And I say to them, the same thing that I'm saying to you, 'You need to have in for the people who are affected.' It doesn't mean that we give you first shot at everything, it doesn't mean that we change what we are doing, we have sought and continue to find balance on those committees."

Mayor Prince: "Councilor Daniels."

Councilor Daniels: "There are times when we have people who are merchants in town who live outside the City and are being taxed by the City and I think that's why sometimes we are concerned where we should have representatives from those people on that, even though they don't live in town but they are contributing to the taxes."

Councilor Parks: "And that's why we do that, why we allow people outside the City to be on our committees. I guess I take just a mild offense that we're somehow trying to treat you differently, we're not."

Ms. Gottman: "You are."

Councilor Parks: "I apologize that you feel that way. We are striving hard to treat everybody fairly."

Ms. Gottman: "You're failing. That's all I can say, you're just failing."

Councilor Johnson: "Mr. Mayor."

Mayor Prince: "Councilor Johnson."

Councilor Johnson: "How?"

Ms. Gottman: "I think I just stated how. Because, we have UGB people get this, others get that. We're not treated as one community. That's all I can say. We're not."

Councilor Strong: "Mr. Mayor".

Mayor Prince: "Councilor Strong."

Councilor Strong: "The only comment that I can make to that is this has been a question that hasn't just been brought up by this Council. As many years as I have been on the Council, this is something that we've struggled with forever and I think it goes back to the question of some of the committees, it affects how we distribute and fund money within the City limits, is been the question. And I know that we have struggled with that and we have never excluded the people outside as of yet. So I'm a little puzzled about your comment because I don't think that's what we were saying on the transportation, in fact, I think we were saying that we wanted to include some of those people because I realize I've been to some of those meetings and I realize there are people outside of our city limits and that they do use our service and will be using our service. So, if we gave you that impression, I'm sorry."

Mayor Prince: "I think a good example of it is that you are the head of the Bike and Ped committee, but.....anyone else?"

Nathan Clayton of 715 NE 34th Place complimented Mr. Williams on the community residential zoning meetings. It was refreshing to see City staff helping and listening; and certainly John was probably not getting paid enough.

COUNCILORS' ISSUES: Councilor Johnson gave Council copies of his URD Implementation Plan and anyone wishing a copy was welcome to receive one. He addressed the issue that Councilor Strong had brought up at the last meeting, to include a section that gave his views on where to go with the URD and responded by saying that after the meeting with the Fire District, there isn't a clear picture of their position. Wanting to continue discussions with that group to see if there is any way urban renewal can work and not wishing to incite anything further, Mr. Johnson decided to hold off on any personal ideas of where to go from here. This document is not a map of the District or what it should look like, that is not the focus of his Plan.

Councilor Daniels thanked Councilor Johnson for putting this together after attending a workshop in Corvallis along with members of staff and coming back with new ideas. He would, however, be cautious since the Council has not had a chance to review it and is just Mr. Johnson's viewpoint, not something that has been adopted.

Councilor Carson wanted the Urban Renewal Task Force involved soon and to keep the group and the issues moving forward.

Councilor Johnson restated that his position was not to throw out all the work that has gone on before him and was not questioning the last two year's worth of work. The intention is to start from today and how to move forward. He can say without reservation, that the Urban Renewal Advisory Committee will be a large part of that and that is where he sees a large part of the citizen input coming from.

Mayor Prince thanked the Council for the letter that was provided to the local food bank. There

funding has been increased and hopes that the Council's letter helped that effort.

City Administrator Adcock stated that the Mayor signed closing documents as of March 21, 2001 on the transaction for the property that the City purchased at the end of the logging road and is a big event for the City. The Mayor has been working diligently to see what other funding options or opportunities are out there and meeting with State-level elected officials as well.

Mayor Prince said that tomorrow he would be meeting with Rep. Kurt Schrader to discuss drumming up funding for the other 15 acres and hopefully can go forward with that. With the budget crunch even in Salem, some of that funding is in jeopardy. Consensus from the Council was for the Mayor to continue to pursue the efforts.

ACTION REVIEW:

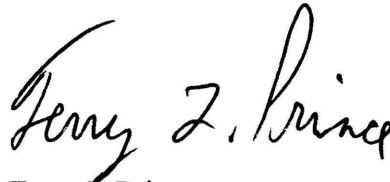
1. Approving Consent Agenda.
2. Approving the Mayor to authorize the City/ODOT Fund Exchange Agreement for the North Ivy Street Project.
3. Following up with Mr. Brown for projects for the Community Service Day and the involvement of the City.
4. Following up on the analysis of the Proposals for the Contracting of Computer Services.
5. Scheduling an Urban Renewal Agency meeting on April 4, 2001.

Mayor Prince adjourned the regular session at 9:15 p.m.

There was no Executive Session.



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