CANBY CITY COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING

JUNE 1, 1984

Mayor Michael L. Gabrion presiding. Councilmembers present: David Anderson, Gary Sowles, Gene Clift, Bill Pulver, Scott Taylor and Nancy Kopelk.

Also present: City Administrator Doug Zenor, City Attorney John Kelley, Oregonian Reporter Linda McCarthy, Canby Herald Reporter Jill Thompson, Ed Buschow, Naomi Clift and Eldene Pulver.

Mayor Gabrion called the special session to order at 7:03 p.m.

Administrator Zenor called roll of Council, which showed a quorum present.

Mayor Gabrion explained that the purpose of the special meeting was to discuss the City Administrator evaluation.

**Councilman Pulver moved that the City Council at this time request the resignation of Mr. Douglas Zenor, effective June 15, 1984. Mo-tion seconded by Councilman Clift. Mayor Gabrion, in repeating the motion, question if it was "ask for the resignation or --- " Councilman Pulver clarified that it was not ask for but that Mr. Zenor's tenure with the City of Canby be terminated on June 15, 1984. Mayor Gabrion called for discussion. Councilman Taylor questioned why and the Mayor noted it was a valid question. Councilman Clift noted that he didn't care to give any reasons. Councilman Pulver stated, "for legal reasons, I at this time, I do not wish to respond to your question." Councilman Clift again noted that reasons were not necessary. Councilman Pulver proposed a question to City Attorney, John Kelley, using past experience regarding the same type of situation when the former City Attorney was replaced, several members of the Council, including Mr. Pulver, made statements. Mr. Pulver referred specifically to Mr. Taylor's statement of his feelings that he "did no longer feel that he could rely on Mr. Bettis' s ability", or something similar to that. Mr. Pulver questioned, "is that a position that could put us in a legal----" John Kelley responded that it could or could not come up in court. Councilman Pulver replied, "Well, I'll take a gamble, people here seem to want to know why and not going into a lot of detail, I'll tell you I've lost confidence in Mr. Zenor." Councilman Taylor suggested going into Executive Session to fully discuss it. City Attorney Kelley pointed out that ORS 192.660 (1) (b) provided that an Executive Session cannot be held if the person involved requested an open hearing.

**Councilman Taylor moved to table the motion presently before the Council. Motion seconded by Councilman Sowles, motion failed with a vote of yea - 2 and nay - 4.

Councilwoman Kopelk called for the question on the first pending motion. Mayor Gabrion did a roll call vote: Kopelk, Yes; Taylor,

No; Pulver, Yes; Clift, Yes; Sowles, No; and Anderson, Yes. Motion carried 4-2.

Councilman Pulver noted that "this is one of the hardest and most distasteful things that I've done since I've been a City Councilman."

Councilman Taylor asked for clarification regarding who would assume the City Administrator duties on June 15, 1984, City Attorney Kelley said he would have to further check the issue.

**Councilman Pulver moved that the Council take immediate steps in finding a replacement in whatever process was necessary in finding a new City Administrator. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Kopelk. John Kelley read Chapter 3, Section 5 of the City Charter, noting in his opinion, that if the Council had not appointed a replacement, either temporary or permanent, by June 15, 1984, that the present Administrator would stay on until that appointment was made. Question was called , motion carried 6-0.

Councilman Clift suggested a temporary appointment be made while the City is in the process of making a permanent replacement.

Councilwoman Koplek asked if they had to address the replacement tonight. John Kelley said no; however, in his opinion, if a temporary or permanent replacement was not made by the 15th of June, the Mr. Zenor could continue.

Mayor Gabrion adjourned the special session at 7:20 p.m.

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Marilyn K./Perkett, Deputy Recorder

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