MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETNG June 8, 2020

5:30 p.m.

VIA ZOOM LIVESTREAM VIA City website

PRESIDING:

Mayor Richard Mays

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Linda Miller, Tim McGlothlin, Rod Runyon, Scott Randall

COUNCIL ABSENT:

Darcy Long-Curtiss

STAFF PRESENT:

City Manager Julie Krueger, City Attorney Diana McDougal, City

Clerk Izetta Grossman, Finance Director Angie Wilson,

Community Development Director Steve Harris, Public Works Director Dave Anderson, Police Chief Patrick Ashmore, Human

Resources Director Daniel Hunter

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Mays at 5:30 p.m. Mayor Mays said the agenda was amended to include Oath of Office for Scott Randall.

OATH OF OFFICE

City Clerk Grossman administered the Oath of Office for Scott Randall, Council Position #3.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL

Roll Call was conducted by City Clerk Grossman. All Councilors present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Miller and seconded by Runyon to approve the agenda as amended. The motion

carried; 4 to 0; Councilors Miller, Runyon, McGlothlin, Randall voting in favor; none voting opposed; Long-Curtiss absent.

PRESENTATIONS PROCLAMATIONS

Canvas the Vote Proclamation

Mayor Mays read Canvas the Vote Proclamation. He said The Dalles Charter 2020 passed at the May 19, 2020 primary election.

QLife FY 2020-21 Budget presentation

Mike Middleton, Finance Director for Wasco County and QualityLife Intergovernmental Agency reviewed the budget. Middleton introduced Matthew Klebes, the Manager of QLife.

Middleton said it was not necessary for the City Council to approve the budget, this presentation was for the purpose of keeping the Council informed.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager reported that the Economic Recovery task force had finalized the grant application and would be ready to apply to Business Oregon for matching funds when the grant opens, mid-June.

She also said the funds budgeted for Economic Recovery could possibly being used to help implement the outdoor seating and retail program.

City Manager Krueger said the Solid Waste Advisory Committee had met and were recommending at 2.16% surcharge on recycling to help bring the City back into compliance with DEQ regulations. She said the proposal would come before Council at a later meeting.

City Manager Krueger said she had been asked for an update on the recent rain storm event that challenged some of our systems. She said Public Works Director Dave Anderson would address this issue.

Anderson said the recent rain storm was much like one in August last year. He said it rained hard for a short period and created more runoff than they system was designed to handle. He said these were not generally annual events, and the system did work well above regulations.

Anderson said Public Works was working with business owners to determine how to resolve

some basement flooding downtown. He said additional storm collections were being installed on East 10^{th} Street this week.

Runyon said both the business and home owner he spoke with were very pleased with the interaction with the City on this issue.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

Legal Counsel Diana McDougle said she was watching the COVID – 19 recommendations.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Runyon reported:

- City Manager/Judge Evaluations
- Veterans Memorial Committee
- Relocation of Veterans Museum

Runyon noted he had attended the City Budget committee May 4.

Miller reported:

- Urban Renewal Budget Meeting
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- City Manager/ Judge Evaluations
- Sister City no delegations this year. Student delegates would be eligible for next year.

McGlothlin reported:

- City Manager/Judge Evaluations
- Airport meeting

Mayor Mays asked Airport Manager Aryn Rasmussen for a report.

Rasmussen reported:

- Additional fuel tank project nearing completion
- Apron rehabilitation project underway
- Working with Columbia Gorge Community College for an EDA Grant to build a training hangar and extend utilities

Mayor Mays reported:

• Salvation Army had given out 1008 food boxes from March through May at the drive up pantry.

- Also available diapers, wipes, blankets, and hair products on request
- KODL Coffee Break
- KACI Morning Show
- Business Oregon Grant with City Manager
- Protest March thanked Police Department and protestors

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Runyon and seconded by Miller to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried; 4 to 0; Councilors Runyon, Miller, McGlothlin, Randall voting in favor; none opposed; Long-Curtiss absent.

Items approved on the consent agenda were: 1) Approval of the Regular City Council Meeting Minutes of May 11, 2020; 2) Approval of Resolution No. 20-011 Concurring with Mayor's Appointments to the Planning Commission; 3) Approval of Resolution No. 20-012 A Resolution of the City Council of the City of The Dalles Supporting Assisted Housing Programs.

Philip Mascher said he was honored to serve on the Planning Commission. He said when he came to The Dalles he was in awe of the Downtown Historical Buildings. He said he is on the Art Committee, The Dalles Art Center Board, and working with Main Street on the Wall Dogs project.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing to Receive Testimony Regarding Proposed Uses of State Shared Revenues

Mayor Mays opened the Public Hearing.

Finance Director Wilson reviewed the staff report.

Hearing no testimony, Mayor Mays closed the hearing.

It was moved by Runyon and seconded by McGlothlin to approved Resolution No. 20-009 Declaring the City's Election to Receive State Revenues for Fiscal Year 2020-21. The motion carried; 4 to 0; Councilors Runyon, Miller, McGlothlin, Randall voting in favor; none opposed; Long-Curtiss absent.

Public Hearing to Receive Testimony Regarding the Proposed Fiscal Year 2020-21 Budget

Finance Director Wilson reviewed the staff report.

Mayor Mays opened the Public Hearing.

Mayor Mays asked for comments.

Runyon asked if the criteria had been set for Economic Recovery funds.

City Manager Krueger said she was hoping to get matching grant funds from Business Oregon. She said the criteria had not yet been set. She said outdoor seating was one of the ideas being considered.

Runyon said travel food and lodging and training had been reduced in all departments. He said continued education was important, especially for directors. He said he was in favor of adding training back to the budget later in the year, if funding allows,

Finance Director Wilson said if revenues were higher than anticipated training could be added back into the budget.

McGlothlin asked how the public would know about the Economic Recovery funds.

City Manager Krueger said she was working with Mid Columbia Economic Development District, Next Door, Inc, The Dalles Chamber, and Small Business Development Center on the project. She said outreach to underserved business owners, including women and minorities, was being worked on and would be in Spanish and English.

McGlothlin asked the status of the Firework/Mural funding.

City Manager Krueger said \$20,000 was budgeted for fireworks. She said the group was fundraising and it was possible they would have funds available for the murals.

She said the cruise ship contract for Main Street had been reduced, since the cruise season was on hold.

Roger Nichols asked why programs were cut, but a 2.5% cost of living adjustment was recommended for exempt employees.

City Manager Julie Krueger said the Union employees were receiving a 2.5% cost of living adjustment per contract. She said it was important to have equity across the board.

Mayor Mays closed the hearing.

It was moved by Miller and seconded by McGlothlin to approve the changes proposed by the Budget Committee. The motion carried; 4 to 0; Councilors Runyon, Miller, McGlothlin, Randall voting in favor; none opposed; Long-Curtiss absent.

Resolution No. 20-010 Adopting the 2020-21 Fiscal Year Budget for the City of The Dalles, Making Appropriations, Authorizing Expenditures, Levying Taxes, and Authorizing the City Manager to Take Such Action as Necessary to Carry Out the Adopted Budget

It was moved by Miller and seconded by McGlothlin to approve Resolution No. 20-010 Adopting the 2020-21 Fiscal Year Budget for the City of The Dalles, Making Appropriations, Authorizing Expenditures, Levying Taxes, and Authorizing the City Manager to Take Such Action as Necessary to Carry Out the Adopted Budget. The motion carried; 4 to 0; Councilors Runyon, Miller, McGlothlin, Randall voting in favor; none opposed; Long-Curtiss absent.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of City General Liability Coverage Proposal from Oregon Trail Insurance

Human Resources Director reviewed the staff report. Mike Luepke said they worked with the underwriter to reduce the increase proposed.

Colleen Clark of Oregon Trail Insurance said she would get the revised documents to the City.

It was moved by Runyon and seconded by Miller to authorize the City Manager to sign the revised proposal for General Liability insurance. The motion carried; 4 to 0; Councilors Runyon, Miller, McGlothlin, Randall voting in favor; none opposed; Long-Curtiss absent.

FY 20/21 Exempt Employee Cost of Living Adjustment

Human Resources Director Hunter reviewed the staff report.

It was moved by Miller and seconded by McGlothlin to approve a 2.5% Exempt Employee Cost of Living Adjustment for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. The motion carried; 4 to 0; Councilors Runyon, Miller, McGlothlin, Randall voting in favor; none opposed; Long-Curtiss absent.

Resolution No. 20-013 A Resolution Authorizing OPRD Grant Application for Federal St Public Plaza

Community Development Director Harris reviewed the staff report.

It was moved by McGlothlin and seconded by Runyon to approve Resolution No. 20-013 Authorizing OPRD Grant Application for Federal St Public Plaza. The motion carried; 4 to 0; Councilors Runyon, Miller, McGlothlin, Randall voting in favor; none opposed; Long-Curtiss absent.

McGlothlin announced that the City was in the final steps of permitting for the Dog River Pipeline.

City Manager Krueger said Congratulations to Public Works Director Dave Anderson. She said he had been working on Dog River pipeline for at least 15 years.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Submitted by/ Izetta Grossman, CMC City Clerk

SIGNED:

Richard A. Mays, Mayor

ATTEST: Lette Grossman, CMC City