



CITY OF TROUTDALE

“Gateway to the Columbia River Gorge”

AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING

Troutdale Police Community Center – Kellogg Room
234 SW Kendall Court
Troutdale, OR 97060-2078

Tuesday, October 13, 2020 – 7:00PM

Mayor
Casey Ryan

City Council
David Ripma
Randy Lauer
Jamie Kranz
Glenn White
Nick Moon
Zach Hudson

City Manager
Ray Young

City Recorder
Sarah Skroch

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1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL, AGENDA UPDATE.**
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Public comment on non-agenda and consent agenda items is welcome at this time. *Public comment on agenda items will be taken at the time the item is considered. Public comments should be directed to the Presiding Officer, and limited to matters of community interest or related to matters which may, or could, come before Council. Each speaker shall be limited to 5 minutes for each agenda item unless a different amount of time is allowed by the Presiding Officer, with consent of the Council.*
3. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
 - 3.1 **MOTION:** A motion to appoint Councilor Mark Clark of Wood Village as the Three Cities representative to the Port of Portland Citizen Noise Advisory Committee.
4. **PRESENTATION:** A discussion concerning the Fairview Community Food Market.

Councilor Hudson,
James Donahue &
Mayor Brian Cooper, Fairview
5. **PUBLIC HEARING / ORDINANCE (Introduction):** An ordinance amending Troutdale Municipal Code Title 6 (Animals).

Chris Damgen, Community Development Director &
Joe Storagee, Code Compliance Officer
6. **PUBLIC HEARING / ORDINANCE (Introduction):** An ordinance to adopt text amendments to Troutdale Municipal Code Chapter 2.08 – Rules of the City Council.

Ray Young, City Manager

7. **PUBLIC HEARING / ORDINANCE (Introduction):** An ordinance amending Troutdale Municipal Code Title 12 – Public Works. Ray Young, City Manager

8. **STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

9. **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

10. **ADJOURNMENT**



Casey Ryan, Mayor

Dated: October 6, 2020

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MINUTES
Troutdale City Council – Regular Meeting
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Troutdale, OR 97060

Tuesday, October 13, 2020 – 7:00PM

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL, AGENDA UPDATE

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

PRESENT: Mayor Ryan, Councilor Ripma (7:02pm), Councilor Lauer, Councilor Kranz, Councilor White, Councilor Moon and Councilor Hudson.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: Ray Young, City Manager; Sarah Skroch, City Recorder; Ed Trompke, City Attorney; Chris Damgen, Community Development Director and Joe Storagee, Code Enforcement Officer

GUESTS: See Attached.

Mayor Ryan asked for agenda updates.

Ray Young, City Manager, replied there are no updates.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: Public comment on non-agenda and consent agenda items is welcome at this time.

Kevin Preston, Attorney for Gateway Estates, stated he is advocating for them concerning a conditional land use permit that was granted in April of 2018. This is of particular interest to the City, he thinks, because in going through the City of Troutdale Housing Needs Analysis completed in February of 2020, one of the housing policy recommendations for the City is to recognize the need for housing for senior citizens. The permit in question was a permit to develop senior oriented housing under the old code of Troutdale and the plans were drawn as such. The parking lot requirements changed in 2020 for buildings of that type. The problem is that his client completed the plan, paid for the permits and obtained them and understood the conditions of the permit but he didn't understand that the permit expired in 2 years. He wants to ask the council for an extension of the deadline for another year from the date it expired in April, roughly 6 months from now.

Ray Young stated Council can waive the requirement but then it's setting a precedent for other people who are dilatory in developing property to extend their windows.

Ed Trompke, City Attorney, stated it's not just an easy matter of just a waiver because it's an ordinance that would require either a variance under the ordinance or adoption of another ordinance to make any kind of a change.

Mayor Ryan asked to have the issue come back as an agenda item.

3. CONSENT AGENDA:

3.1 MOTION: A motion to appoint Councilor Mark Clark of Wood Village as the Three Cities representative to the Port of Portland Citizen Noise Advisory Committee.

MOTION: Councilor Ripma moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Councilor Hudson. Motion Passed 7-0.

4. PRESENTATION: A discussion concerning the Fairview Community Food Market.

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James Donahue started a food pantry in Fairview that has greatly expanded into covering a lot of East County. He's hoping Council will take on the role of fiscal sponsor for the Fairview Community Outdoor Food Market. The market is in a large-scale crisis for food resources in all East Multnomah County. It is at the brink of not having anymore resources from the USDA grant money which is set to run out on October 31st. In the midst of a massive food shortage for those who are food insecure and impoverished in Troutdale, Fairview, Wood Village and most of Gresham, there seems to be an end to the resources at about 182nd east where they do not have provisions in place to continue to feed people.

Mayor Ryan asked what is being asked tonight.

James Donahue replied to receive the Metro grant someone is needed to fill the sponsor position.

Brian Cooper, City of Fairview Mayor, stated Fairview had an employee who has been the liaison between James and the City on trying to get resources and the function of intermediary. She is leaving next week for another job and Fairview doesn't foresee another liaison coming up for a while. James is looking for somebody to act as a grant writer and grant administrator for his program so he can apply for Metro grants, placemaking grants and other state grants for food. The point is to try to build a coalition to make the program succeed.

Ed Trompke stated it would fall under Erich Mueller.

Mayor Ryan stated Council needs to go to the management team/staff on this subject.

5. PUBLIC HEARING / ORDINANCE (Introduction): An ordinance amending Troutdale Municipal Code Title 6 (Animals).

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Chris Damgen, Community Development Director, gave a brief overview of the staff report.

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Councilor Hudson stated he ran the proposal by a former chicken owner and she really liked the numbers and requirements.

Councilor Ripma stated he would like to refer this to the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) to work out any questions and recommendations.

Joe Storagee, Code Enforcement Officer, stated the collateral issue is rats, vermin, and rodents. There are many complaints generated about rats. The County has stopped responding to rodent calls in surrounding cities. Not all neighborhoods are large enough for chickens/chicken coops.

Mayor Ryan agrees with Councilor Ripma with referring to the CAC.

Mayor Ryan opened the public hearing at 8:00pm.

Nicole Lawrence, Troutdale resident, stated her and her husband invested in 6 chickens recently. The proposed maximum of 3 hens would produce significantly less and wouldn't feed her family. She is not opposed to setting limits to keeping chickens, however, the proposed limits are excessive and overreaching by specifying location, quantity, requiring permits and enabling inspections. The proposal seems more intent on penalizing those who have invested tremendous money, time and energy into cultivating their little flocks.

Paul Wilcox, Troutdale resident, read a self-prepared statement (attached as Exhibit A to these minutes).

Mayor Ryan closed the public hearing at 8:14pm.

Mayor Ryan stated he would like to forward the proposal to the CAC for recommendations.

6. PUBLIC HEARING / ORDINANCE (Introduction): An ordinance to adopt text amendments to Troutdale Municipal Code Chapter 2.08 – Rules of the City Council.

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Ray Young gave a brief overview of the staff report.

Councilor Lauer stated he is all for flexibility.

Mayor Ryan opened the public hearing at 8:22pm.

Paul Wilcox, Troutdale resident, read from a self-prepared statement (attached as Exhibit B to these minutes).

Mayor Ryan closed the public hearing at 8:24pm.

Councilor Ripma stated he is okay with repealing Resolution No. 2288.

7. PUBLIC HEARING / ORDINANCE (Introduction): An ordinance amending Troutdale Municipal Code Title 12 – Public Works.

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Ray Young gave a brief overview of the staff report.

Mayor Ryan opened the public hearing at 8:30pm.

Mayor Ryan closed the public hearing at 8:30pm.

8. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

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Ray Young provided the following staff communications:

- Troutdale Teddy Bears available at City Hall and Celebrate Me Home for \$15
- Next Town Center Committee meeting is Monday, October 19th

9. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Ripma complimented the citizens of Troutdale for weathering 2020 with patience and humanity.

Mayor Ryan stated 2020 has been an interesting year and he feels the Council has done a good job and has done a lot of good.

Councilor White stated the CROPS manager that worked with the County at the property across from Edgefield is looking for a non-profit to take over the land. He suggested the CAC looking into what the City of Corbett does.

10. ADJOURNMENT

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.



Casey Ryan, Mayor
Dated: November 12, 2020

ATTEST: 

Kenda Schlaht, Deputy City Recorder

October 13, 2020 City Council Zoom Guest List

<u>Name (Original Name)</u>	<u>User Email</u>	<u>Join Time</u>	<u>Leave Time</u>	<u>Duration (Minutes)</u>
MetroEast		10/13/2020 18:25	10/13/2020 20:36	131
Speaker Table (Judge Grafe)		10/13/2020 18:37	10/13/2020 20:36	119
Troutdale Conferencing	troutconf@troutdaleoregon.gov	10/13/2020 18:38	10/13/2020 20:36	119
Zach Hudson	z.t.hudson@gmail.com	10/13/2020 18:41	10/13/2020 20:35	115
Kellogg Room (15039070196)		10/13/2020 18:41	10/13/2020 20:36	115
Joe Storagee		10/13/2020 18:44	10/13/2020 20:17	93
15035128885		10/13/2020 18:45	10/13/2020 19:42	57
Tracy Brown	tbrownplan@gmail.com	10/13/2020 18:47	10/13/2020 19:07	20
Glenn White		10/13/2020 18:53	10/13/2020 20:36	104
Nick Moon		10/13/2020 18:54	10/13/2020 18:55	2
Casey Ryan		10/13/2020 18:55	10/13/2020 18:56	2
Nick Moon		10/13/2020 18:56	10/13/2020 18:56	1
Jamie Kranz		10/13/2020 18:56	10/13/2020 20:35	100
Casey Ryan		10/13/2020 18:57	10/13/2020 19:09	13
Paul Wilcox		10/13/2020 18:58	10/13/2020 20:35	98
Ray Young	ray.young@troutdaleoregon.gov	10/13/2020 18:58	10/13/2020 20:36	98
Dave Ripma	dripma@sharplabs.com	10/13/2020 18:59	10/13/2020 20:36	97
Rich Allen		10/13/2020 19:02	10/13/2020 20:36	94
Nick Moon		10/13/2020 19:07	10/13/2020 20:35	89
Chris Damgen (Troutdale Conferencing)	troutconf@troutdaleoregon.gov	10/13/2020 19:07	10/13/2020 20:36	89
Randy Lauer		10/13/2020 19:11	10/13/2020 19:12	2
Casey Ryan		10/13/2020 19:11	10/13/2020 20:35	85
Sherri Hooker	slhooke@gmail.com	10/13/2020 19:17	10/13/2020 20:36	79
Randy Lauer		10/13/2020 19:17	10/13/2020 19:20	3
Randy Lauer		10/13/2020 19:20	10/13/2020 19:41	21
Randy Lauer		10/13/2020 19:42	10/13/2020 20:35	54

Exhibit A

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I'm here to speak in opposition to the proposed changes to TMC Title 6 regarding keeping chickens in Troutdale. Keeping chickens creates a nuisance by the very nature of they're being outdoors adjacent to neighboring properties. The 25' buffer from the nearest residence is entirely inadequate to prevent the odors from being detectable by neighbors. If a neighbor were outside in their backyard, the distance from the fence line could be only 10'. Neighboring dogs might get agitated also by chickens across the fence from them. There's also the issue of the feed attracting rodents. We had to put our bird feeder away because the spilled feed was attracting rats.

I'm sure there are at least a few rural and isolated properties in Troutdale where the separation from neighbors would be adequate, but citywide under the current proposed distances of separation would be very detrimentally impactful to neighboring properties. Rural property owners could be accommodated if the buffer distances were increased significantly so that only larger parcels would be eligible. It just sounds like creating a problem that doesn't have to exist. If HOAs can legally prohibit chickens entirely, the City should certainly have the same authority if it so chooses.

Submitted by:
Paul Wilcox
Troutdale
10/13/2020

Exhibit B

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This is a two-part revision of the current TMC Chapter 2.08 - Rules of the City Council. The first part is intended to allow for more flexibility regarding the start time of Council meetings and Work Sessions. However, the established end time of 10:00 P.M. has been retained. Does this mean that if a meeting has a start time of 6:00 P.M. that it could last for four hours? There's also the matter of Resolution No. 2288, which assumes a start time of 7:00 P.M., and calls for an end time of 9:30 P.M., with certain exceptions. Resolution No. 2288 was passed in 2015 on a 4-3 vote. Two of the three NO vote Councilors are still on Council. Perhaps it should be repealed to avoid confusion with any new language that's approved.

The second part addresses Work Sessions. A key difference in the language between the old and new is that the current language states "Final decisions on issues can be made at workshops when appropriate." From my standpoint, this has been problematic not only because "when appropriate" isn't defined, but also that Work Sessions are not broadcast for the public's viewing as regular meetings are. The proposed language changes this to "No final action may be taken during a work session, but work sessions may be held on the same dates (either before or after) regular or special meetings, during which final actions may be taken." I don't understand the reference to final action being taken in a regular meeting on what was discussed in a Work session that occurred "after" the regular meeting on the same date.

On a final note, I'd like to see language added in the Work Session section allowing for public comment at either the beginning or end of the session, with the usual 5-minute time limit per speaker.

Submitted by:
Paul Wilcox
Troutdale
10/13/2020