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CITY COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL
OCTOBER 10, 2022
5:30 p.m.

VIA ZOOM/ IN PERSON

PRESIDING: Mayor Richard Mays

COUNCIL PRESENT: Darcy Long, Tim McGlothlin, Rod Runyon

VIA ZOOM: Scott Randall, Dan Richardson

COUNCIL ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Matthew Klebes, City Attorney Jonathan Kara, City Clerk Izetta Grossman, Finance Director Angie Wilson, Interim Planning Director Joshua Chandler, Public Works Director Dave Anderson, Police Chief Tom Worthy

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Mays at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL

Roll Call was conducted by City Clerk Grossman. Long, Randall, Richardson, Runyon, McGlothlin present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Mays led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Long and seconded by McGlothlin to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion carried 5 to 0; Long, McGlothlin, Runyon, Richardson, Randall voting in favor; none opposed.

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AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Lisa Farquharson, CEO of The Dalles Area Chamber of Commerce announce the following:

- Explore The Dalles labeled wine from Terra Lobos now available
- Candidate Form cancelled; Chamber prepared questions for each candidate and will release the answers once compiled
- Historic Highway Century Celebration at Old St. Peters Landmark on October 22nd from 2 to 4 p.m.

Breanna Wimber, Stratton Agency said the City would be receiving a SAIF dividend in the amount of \$14,253. She noted it was a smaller dividend than in previous years. She said the dividend was not always given.

CTY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Matthew Klebes reported:

- Letter of Support given to Columbia Gorge Community College for a \$1.6 million Ag Tech program grant
- EDA grant award \$2.8 for the Training Hangar at the Columbia Gorge Regional Airport.
 - Klickitat County is facilitating the grant
 - Due to increase in material costs there is a funding shortfall – working with EDA
- Solid Waste Advisory Council presented a 7.3% rate increase recommendation to Wasco County Commission. Wasco County approved the increase; The Dalles Disposal will be coming to City Council for the same.
- Introduced Alyssa Bachman, recently hired Paralegal for the City Attorney

In response to a question regarding the EDA grant City Manager Matthew Klebes said the grant would be budgeted before the beginning construction. He said the Community Outreach Team had made inquiries while in Washington, D.C. regarding the EDA increasing funding due to the delay in award and grant deadline.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilor McGlothlin reported:

- Ongoing meetings with St. Vincent de Paul executive board to address citizen complaints and investigate improvements to the operation.
- Attended the Mayor's task force meeting to address the issue of homelessness in our city.
- Attended the 2022 League of Oregon City Conference in Bend last Wed., and Thurs.

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- Visited the 911 dispatch center with Chief Worthy last week.
- Connected with various constituents via email, text, or in-person contacts.
- Attend League of Oregon Cities Conference
 - Attended Unhoused session led by Mayor Mays and Mid-Columbia Community Action Council Director Kenny LaPointe.

Councilor Long reported:

- Meeting with City Manager regarding Waste Management
- Email regarding paving material being use
- Homeless calls – she asked for an update on the work being done
- Gitchell Building inquires

Councilor Runyon reported:

- Citizen questions
- Mid-Columbia Veterans Memorial Committee
- Noted: Veterans Museum at City Hall open Thursday and Friday Noon – 4:00 p.m. and nights of Council Meetings

Mayor Mays reported:

- KACI
- Economic Development Committee
- Beautification Committee Yard of the Month award
- League of Oregon Cities

Mayor Mays asked for consensus to hold the Council Goal Setting Session on November 29th 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.; and to cancel the November 28th Regular City Council Session.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Randall and seconded by McGlothlin to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried 5 to 0; Randall, McGlothlin, Long, Richardson, Runyon voting in favor; none opposed.

Items approved on the consent agenda were: 1) The minutes of the September 26, 2022 Regular City Council Meeting.

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CONTRACT REVIEW BOARD

Award Contract No. 2022-010 Wicks Sludge Removal Program

Public Works Director Dave Anderson reviewed the staff report.

It was moved by Long and seconded by Runyon to Authorize the City Manager to enter into contract with Fire Mountain Farms Inc. for the Wicks Sludge Removal Program, Contract No. 2022-010, in an amount not to exceed \$208,095.00

ACTION ITEMS

Community Development Department Reorganization

City Manager Matthew Klebes reviewed the staff report.

Runyon asked who currently was overseeing the General Services crew. Klebes said he was.

Runyon asked if the Codes Officer at the Police Department was different than the position discussed. Klebes said it was.

Long said economic development had long been a goal of Council and she appreciated that it was one of the first things the City Manager took on. All Councilors agreed with Long.

City Manager Klebes noted that he had vetted the reorganization with the Leadership Team.

It was moved by McGlothlin and seconded by Richardson to adopt the amended salary matrix as presented. The motion carried 5 to 0; McGlothlin, Richardson, Runyon, Long, Randall voting in favor; none opposed.

Resolution No. 22-033 A Resolution Authorizing Transfers of Funds Between Various Departments of the General Fund

Finance Director Angie Wilson reviewed the staff report. She noted there was a clerical error on the last page of the resolution that had been corrected.

It was moved by McGlothlin and seconded by Long to approve Resolution No. 22-033 A Resolution Authorizing Transfers of Funds Between Various Departments of the General Fund. The motion carried 5 to 0; McGlothlin, Long, Runyon, Richardson, Randal voting in favor; none opposed.

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General Ordinance No. 22-1393 An Ordinance Amending The Dalles Municipal Code Chapter 4.08 (Sewers) to Revise Requirement to Install Separate Service and Manage Impermissible Wastewater Discharges

City Attorney Jonathan Kara reviewed the staff report.

Mayor Mays asked anyone in the audience would like to comment.

Katy Young, 515 West 7th Street said he had one of the shared sewers and had been looking into how to solidify the right to go onto the neighbor's land.

She said she felt there should be stronger language regarding the waiving of the triggering event.

Councilor Long asked what would happen if the owner couldn't afford to replace the line.

City Attorney Kara said the City works with people, and were flexible. He said staff experts frequently walk people through the process.

Mayor Mays asked if any Councilor wanted the Ordinance read in full.

None did.

Mayor Mays asked City Clerk Grossman to read the Ordinance by title only.

Grossman read the Ordinance by title only.

It was moved by Long and seconded by Randall to adopt General Ordinance No. 22-3193 An Ordinance Amending The Dalles Municipal Code Chapter 4.08 (Sewers) to Revise Requirement to Install Separate Service and Manage Impermissible Wastewater Discharges by title only. The motion carried 5 to 0; Long, Randall, Runyon, Richardson, McGlothlin voting in favor; none opposed.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Gitchell/Waldron Drug Building Report

Mayor Mays said he would ask for the staff report, Council questions, then Mr. Gleason would have 3 minutes to speak on behalf of the Friends of the Gitchell Building. He said he would then entertain other comments that were not repetitive.

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City Manager Matthew Klebes reviewed the staff report.

Council spoke in favor of Option 1, thanking the City Manager for a thorough report.

Mayor May asked for the video of the Astoria Ghost signs to be sent to Council.

Eric Gleason, 704 K Street, Friends of the Gitchell Building said Option 1 was a slam dunk.

He said the elements of Preserve; Stabilize; Enhancements was supported by the Friends of the Gitchell Building.

Gleason said they would like to offer:

- Grant location and writing efforts
- Physical labor

And Recommend:

- Restoring windows – now boarded up, but still in place
- Lighting inside

Carolyn Wood 1709 Liberty Way said it was the desire of the former Council that voted to replace the roof to preserve the building.

Bill Lennox

Susan Buce

Shelia Dooley

All spoke in favor of Option 1, saying the building was historical, only one of 3 buildings to withstand the fires and floods downtown

It was the consensus of the Council for the City Manager to move forward with development of a plan for Option 1 preservation with Ghost Signs.

City Manager Klebes said the next steps would be:

- Conversation with KPFF
- Capital Improvement plan - General Services Manager project for budgeting

EXECUTIVE SESSION

In accordance with ORS 192.660(2)(h) to consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and

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duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.

Mayor Mays recessed Open Session at 6:50 p.m.

Mayor Mays reconvene Open Session at 7:55 p.m.

Decision

It was moved by Richardson and seconded by McGlothlin to direct the City Attorney to file a public nuisance action and all related actions in Wasco County Circuit Court in the matter of unlawful encroachment of the public right of way of East 9th Street, The Dalles, Oregon.

The motion carried 5 to 0; Richardson, McGlothlin, Randall, Runyon, Long voting in favor; none opposed.

ADJOURNMENT


Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Submitted by/

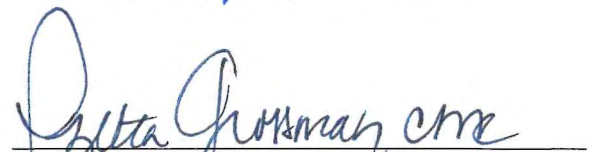
Izetta Grossman, CMC

City Clerk

SIGNED:


~~Richard A. Mays, Mayor~~ Council Pres

ATTEST:


Izetta Grossman, CMC City Clerk