CANBY CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES December 21, 2022

PRESIDING: Brian Hodson

COUNCIL PRESENT: Traci Hensley, Greg Parker, Art Marine (attended virtually), Sarah Spoon, Shawn Varwig, and Christopher Bangs.

STAFF PRESENT: Scott Archer, City Administrator; Joseph Lindsay, City Attorney/Assistant City Administrator; Maya Benham Deputy City Recorder; Jorge Tro, Police Chief; Don Hardy, Planning Director; and Brianna Addotta, Associate Planner.

CALL TO ORDER: Council President Hensley called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. in the Council Chambers followed by opening ceremonies.

Council President Hensley announced a short break and the meeting reconvened at 6:20 p.m. Mayor Hodson presided the meeting moving forward.

INTERVIEWS FOR CITY COUNCIL VACANCY:

Dan Ewert was a long time resident and had been on the Planning Commission three different times. He had also served on Budget Committees, Traffic Committees, Parks and Recreation Committees, Industrial Park planning committees, and was involved in youth programs. He was a veteran of the US Air Force and Oregon Air National Guard. He had owned and operated a number of businesses in Oregon, but retired in 2021. He was currently on the Planning Commission and member of Samaritan's Purse. He believed in giving back to the community. He wanted to serve on Council to make changes needed to the Comprehensive Plan and working with the county and the state. The most pressing concern was updating the Comprehensive Plan and Transportation System Plan, Industrial Park expansion, infrastructure issues due to growth, and economic growth. He explained a time when he was on the Planning Commission and they were discussing Phase 2 of the Industrial Park. A stakeholder presented information that was not correct and he called the stakeholder out on it. Later he met with the person and found it was a miscommunication. He apologized at the next meeting and was still friends with the family. He thought the Council needed to communicate better to the citizens. He suggested setting up a youth program where youth were on City committees. In the military, it was a team effort as well as his involvement with the Planning Commission, church, and Samaritan's Purse. He asked the Council what they thought were their greatest accomplishments.

<u>Megan Fraction</u> had lived in Canby for a couple of years. She was a property manager overseeing low income, affordable housing communities. She would like the opportunity to help shape the future of the City while maintaining the uniqueness of Canby. The most pressing concern was the rate of growth. She explained the situation of a resident dispute who called the owner and she was told to handle it. The way she was asked to handle it was unethical and she had a discussion with the owner on how it should be handled properly. Her goal on Council was to be a sounding board for the community, work collaboratively with the other Councilors, and

continue a thoughtful, balanced Council. She worked on a team currently and dealt with several housing agencies. She also volunteered as a coalition member for Revitalize Portland. She had worked with a management company to develop all of the SOPs for all of the properties which was a team effort. She asked Council what the most important issue they would want the appointed member to focus on. She discussed the problems in Portland that greatly reduced the quality of life for citizens.

<u>Craig Lewelling</u> discussed running his campaign for Council. He would have an open mind on Council and work for the greater good of the City. He explained how the Urban Renewal District had been created and the team effort needed on the Urban Renewal Advisory Committee, which he had been a part of. Good decisions came from debate and differing opinions. They needed to respect and listen to each other and focus on the common goals. They also needed to collect data and have it presented to Council to base decisions on. He asked about the time commitment of serving on Council and expressed gratitude for the time. He also asked what the biggest surprise was in the first three months of being on Council.

Jason Padden had lived in Canby for 17 years. He appreciated being in Canby and seeing it grow. He liked being involved in the community and was familiar with the time commitment. Some of the pressing concerns were future planning and how the planning would be funded and community engagement. He suggested reaching out to other cities that had grown and what they had done and what worked and what didn't. He explained his community service from a young age to present day. He tried to listen to what people said and understand where they were coming from and come to a place in the middle. However, some people had no interest in compromise and in those cases he took a step back and tried again later. He had concerns about the Street Maintenance Fee and wanted to help guide the City towards the future with the Transportation System Plan, Comprehensive Plan, and Code updates, and create a sidewalk program. He would step down from the Planning Commission if he was chosen.

<u>Thomas Pierce</u> had lived in Canby, but moved away, then moved back again after he retired. He had worked for the US Department of State as a diplomat. His career led to moving every few years, but now he was retired he wanted to serve the community and had time to commit to this. He thought the most pressing issues for Canby were balancing growth while maintaining the character and livability of the community. Managing conflict was sometimes through negotiation, sometimes compromise, and sometimes clarifying communication. He gave an example of countries coming together on an initiative, Pathways to Prosperity, and how he was tasked with negotiating a statement that all the countries involved could agree to. Time was pressing and negotiations were not going well. He solved it by talking with the parties, letting them know their concerns were important, and discussed options. Communication and listening were key. He did not have a specific goal or objective to be on Council, but had principles he would apply to the issues, such as fiscal responsibility and transparency. His job had required teamwork in every capacity. He asked what Council would tell a prospective candidate the things they needed to know.

CITIZEN INPUT & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

CONSENT AGENDA: **Council President Hensley moved to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2022 Regular Meeting and the September 21, 2022 Joint Work Session with

the Planning Commission and Regular Meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilor Varwig and passed 6-0.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 1589 – **Councilor Bangs moved to adopt Ordinance 1589, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH AXON ENTERPRISES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$207,632.40 FOR THE PURCHASE OF IN CAR VIDEO CAMERAS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Motion was seconded by Councilor Spoon and passed 6-0 by roll-call vote.

<u>Ordinance 1591</u> – **Councilor Spoon moved to adopt Ordinance 1591, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH LEE CONTRACTORS, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$773,000.00 FOR THE 2022 WASTEWATER TREATEMENT FACILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT. Motion was seconded by Council President Hensley and passed 6-0 by roll-call vote.

Ordinance 1592 – **Council President Hensley moved to adopt Ordinance 1592, AN ORDINANCE PROCLAIMING ANNEXATION INTO THE CITY OF CANBY, OREGON 1.06 ACRES OF REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS LAND SITUATED SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 27, T.3S., R.1E., W.M. (TAX MAP 31E27CB); AND AMENDING THE EXISTING COUNTY ZONING FROM RURAL RESIDENTIAL FARM FOREST 5 ACRES (RRFF5) TO CITY HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (R-2) FOR THE ENTIRE AREA; AND SETTING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE PROPERTY TO BE INCLUDED WITHIN THE CANBY CITY LIMITS. Motion was seconded by Councilor Varwig and passed 6-0 by roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

<u>Amendment to the City Administrator's Employment Contract</u> – Mayor Hodson said the Council did the annual performance evaluation of the City Administrator and agreed to a 5% increase in salary. There would be follow up for goal setting for the coming year.

**Council President Hensley moved to approve the amendment to the City Administrator's Employment Contract. Motion was seconded by Councilor Spoon and passed 6-0.

ACCEPTANCE OF CITY COUNCILOR RESIGNATION:

Councilor Spoon clarified her resignation date was effective at 12:00 p.m. on December 22, 2022.

There was discussion regarding the timing of filling the position and when the seat would be vacated.

SELECTION OF CITY COUNCILOR: Mayor Hodson said a number of emails had been received in favor of Mr. Padden and Mr. Lewelling.

**Councilor Bangs moved to appoint Jason Padden as City Councilor effective upon Councilor Spoon's resignation. Motion was seconded by Councilor Parker.

There was discussion regarding the reasons for the selection of Mr. Padden.

Motion passed 3-2-1 with Councilors Hensley and Varwig opposed and Councilor Spoon abstaining.

ACTION REVIEW:

- 1. Approved the Consent Agenda.
- 2. Adopted Ordinances 1589, 1591, and 1592.
- 3. Approved the amendment to the City Administrators Employment Contract.
- 4. Appointed Jason Padden as City Councilor effective upon Councilor Spoon's resignation.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

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Melissa Bisset City Recorder

Assisted with Preparation of Minutes - Susan Wood

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Brian Hodson Mayor