



Randy Lauer, *Mayor*

David Ripma

Alison Caswell

Geoffrey Wunn

Glenn White

Sandy Glantz

Agenda

February 28, 2023

Regular Meeting | **7:30 p.m.**

Troutdale Police Community Center – Kellogg Room
234 SE Kendall Ct, Troutdale, OR 97060

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. The Council and Mayor should avoid immediate or protracted responses to citizen comments.*
3. **Consent Agenda:**
 - 3.1 **Resolution:** A resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Tourism Commission for a Capacity and Small Project Grant.
 - 3.2 **Resolution:** A resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department for the Sandy River Greenway Riverfront Trail Project.
4. **Request:** A request from Mt. Hood Community College for the City of Troutdale to be a sponsor for the 2023 Mt. Hood Jazz Festival. – *Dan Davey, MHCC Director of Jazz Studies & Festival Director, Mr. Hood Jazz Festival*
5. **Resolution:** A resolution selecting a new Councilor to fill a vacancy on the City Council. – *Ed Trompke, City Attorney and Mayor Lauer*
6. **Staff Communications**
7. **Council Communications**
8. **Adjournment**

Randy Lauer, Mayor

Dated: February 23, 2023

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MINUTES
Troutdale City Council – Regular Meeting
Troutdale Police Community Center – Kellogg Room
234 SW Kendall Court
Troutdale, OR 97060

Tuesday, February 28, 2023 – 7:30PM

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL, AGENDA UPDATE

Mayor Lauer called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

PRESENT: Mayor Lauer, Councilor Ripma, Councilor Caswell, Councilor Wunn, Councilor White and Councilor Glantz. Councilor Wittren was selected and sworn in as the new Councilor at approximately 8:22pm and participated for the remainder of the meeting.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: Ray Young, City Manager; Sarah Skroch, City Recorder; Ed Trompke, City Attorney and Erich Mueller, Finance Director.

GUESTS: See Attached.

Mayor Lauer asked for agenda updates.

Ray Young, City Manager, stated items #4 and #5 will be swapped this meeting.

Break: 7:31pm – 7:37pm.

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

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Adrian Koester, Troutdale resident, stated he found the whole Councilor interview process fascinating. He is frustrated with the process of filling a Councilor position and wished it moved faster. He's been a Troutdale resident for almost 5 years and he would like to do more. He is also frustrated with the discourse around the issues of houselessness and how the City develops. One of the common phrases he hears a lot in city discourse is small town feel. Everybody values that. We all want the small town feel but also want growth. Putting together some sort of more coherent communication and vision around what that means with the challenges the City faces is one of the biggest challenges.

Taney Staffenson stated he was a little concerned with the recent weather. 238th was closed, 257th, Buxton and Sandy Avenue were all closed. If there was an emergency they would have had to go to 223rd and work their way back. There needs to be a way to get emergency vehicles down the hill. He also discussed legislation relating to planning. The Planning Commission (PC) sees a lot and he thinks there's a public perception that the PC, Council, City leadership and government does whatever they want but that's not the case. One of the worst things would be to have a situation where people feel like they're not heard or don't have a voice. A lot of projects that used to be Type III hearings have been moved to Type I or Type II. Why do that if you don't want public comment? A Type I and a Type II review doesn't get a public hearing. Home Forward was denied by the PC. Then there were some reduced parking requirements that were put in by the State, thus they come in as a Type II instead of a Type III. He's been on the PC for around 18 years and he would say that the Home Forward application was in the top 10 for controversial by public. The PC has done a good job of listening to the public. He thinks that through the streamlining process that's something that is going to get lost. He thinks the community will be lesser for it, and the City will be blamed for it. When the development code was rewritten in section 2.010 it states, "When there is a question as to the appropriate type of procedure, or if the Director contemplates that persons being notified of the application can be expected to question the application's compliance with the Code, the application proposal shall be processed under the higher type procedure." It was an ability for staff, if they felt it was necessary, that a procedure could be bumped up. Legislation is circling that has already been passed and you have something else coming up now that is really going to streamline the processes for planning. He asked why Council would be in favor of that? Both Senator Gorsek and Representative Hudson are sponsors of this legislation.

Councilor Ripma asked if Home Forward is going through on a Type II procedure.

Ray Young stated under the laws that changed on January 1st with the new rules that came down from the State, their application now does not have to follow all of Troutdale's zoning and parking rules. The State rules take precedence over Troutdale's zoning rules regarding requirements for the Home Forward development. Come January 1st, they were technically allowed to submit a proposal for an apartment complex with zero parking if they wish. They submitted with 1.3 parking.

Councilor Ripma asked if it can be handled under Type III.

Ed Trompke stated these are the rules that the State calls the Climate Friendly and Equitable Communities rules. The City is one of the appellants that has filed in the Court of Appeals to challenge the adoption of those rules. The City asked that the Court of Appeals stay the effectiveness of the rules. The Court Administrator that looks at the stays did not stay the effectiveness but instead put it on an expedited calendar so that it would move quickly. They have since filed a Type II application and submitted it. The code allows the Director of Community Development/Planning to choose a higher level of appearing.

Ray Young stated that he has discussed with Ed about potentially having an agenda item for Council to discuss the whole issue on March 14th.

Barbara Minkoff, Troutdale resident, stated she has lived in Troutdale for 10 years. She thanked the people who put in the stop sign on Columbia River Highway and Buxton. It has helped out a lot. She stated she spent an hour and a half in 2 separate traffic jams on Frontage Road this last winter when they closed the highway because there was a fallen tree and then they closed the freeway at the entrance at Cascade Locks. All of the traffic didn't know what to do. There were no police around. She thinks someone needs to be aware that somebody should be back there to make sure traffic is moving.

3. CONSENT AGENDA:

3.1 RESOLUTION: A resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Tourism Commission for a Capacity and Small Project Grant.

3.2 RESOLUTION: A resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department for the Sandy River Greenway Riverfront Trail Project.

**MOTION: Councilor White moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Councilor Ripma.
Motion Passed 6-0.**

4. RESOLUTION: A resolution selecting a new Councilor to fill a vacancy on the City Council.

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Ed Trompke, City Attorney, the interviews took place earlier this evening and now at this point in time it is time for choosing 3 finalists to move forward for further discussion and consideration. The policy that Council adopted and presented didn't have a lot of discussion right now but it could be fitted in. It may be better simply to let each Councilor vote their conscience. You have 3 votes a piece for candidates. You can only vote for each candidate once and the 3 votes have to be for different people.

Council each voted for 3 applicants (see spreadsheet attached to these minutes). There were 5 votes for Jordan Wittren, 4 votes for Richard Allen and 3 votes each for Robbie Cantrell, Christopher Barney and Kevin Minkoff.

MOTION: Councilor Ripma moved to accept the top 2 candidates and move them forward as finalists for further consideration. Seconded by Councilor White.

Amended by Councilor Wunn to vote for 1 from the 3-way tie to get a top 3. Seconded by Councilor Glantz.

VOTE: Mayor Lauer – No; Councilor White – No; Councilor Glantz – Yes; Councilor Ripma – No; Councilor Caswell – No and Councilor Wunn – Yes.

Motion failed 2-4.

Vote on original motion.

VOTE: Mayor Lauer – Yes; Councilor White – Yes; Councilor Glantz – No; Councilor Ripma – Yes; Councilor Caswell – Yes and Councilor Wunn – Yes.

Motion passed 5-1.

Mayor Lauer stated Jordan Wittren had 5 votes and Rich Allen with 4 votes.

Councilor Ripma stated he would lean towards Jordan Wittren.

Mayor Lauer stated Council would have been lucky to have anybody fill the seat that applied. Mr. Wittren’s neighbors heavily endorsed him.

Mayor Lauer opened public comment.

Paul Wilcox read from a self-prepared statement (attached as Exhibit A).

Nick Moon stated this has been interesting to watch. He’s happy so many qualified people applied. He’s surprised that the only one who actually ran and got a lot of votes didn’t get more support (Mr. Mammone). There are 2 very well qualified people to vote for tonight.

Shelly Reynolds stated as a member of 2 of the City Committees she strongly encourages the applicants not being considered for Council now to apply for one of the committees. They’re all short on members and could use the participation.

Diane Castillo White stated she thinks Jordan Wittren will make an excellent Councilor. She wants to say how amazing Rich Allen is as well. She has helped him campaign and seen his heart and care for the people. He really loves the people and loved serving on Council. He’s been a great contributor to Troutdale.

MOTION: Councilor Wunn moved to move forward with selecting Jordan Wittren as the new Troutdale City Councilor. Seconded by Councilor Ripma.

VOTE: Mayor Lauer – Yes; Councilor White – Yes; Councilor Glantz – No; Councilor Ripma – Yes; Councilor Caswell – Yes and Councilor Wunn – Yes.

Motion passed 5-1.

Jordan Wittren was sworn in as a Troutdale City Councilor.

5. REQUEST: A request from Mt. Hood Community College for the City of Troutdale to be a sponsor for the 2023 Mt. Hood Jazz Festival.

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Dan Davey, Mt. Hood Jazz Festival Director, presented a PowerPoint (attached as Exhibit B).

Councilor Ripma stated he attended and volunteered at the Jazz Festival in the stadium for years. It's a great thing. He explained that this is Troutdale taxpayer money. This isn't a Troutdale event. He always supports the arts in Troutdale events. He didn't vote for this the last time it was asked. It's not that he doesn't support the Jazz Festival, it's always been a Gresham oriented event. He is going to have to say no. He would rather see the money used for events in Troutdale.

Councilor Glantz stated she can't imagine the people going to the Jazz Festival aren't going through Troutdale and buying gas or coffee or a variety of other things.

MOTION: Councilor Wittren moved to approve a \$5000.00 ask for the Mt. Hood Jazz Festival. Seconded by Councilor Glantz.

VOTE: Mayor Lauer – Yes; Councilor White – No; Councilor Wittren– Yes; Councilor Glantz – Yes; Councilor Ripma - No; Councilor Caswell – Yes and Councilor Wunn – Yes.

Motion passed 5-2.

6. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Ray Young provided the following staff communications:

- The next Council meeting is 3/14 and on 3/21 there will be a URA meeting.
- No Council meeting on 3/28.
- URA interviews for developers were postponed due to weather. There will be one today and on Thursday, 2 more interviews will take place.
- Shout out to the Public Works Department for being prepared for the weather. They worked 24/7 for 3 days.

7. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Councilor Ripma asked if at the 3/14 meeting if there would be a discussion about the handling of the Home Forward application and the hearing type.

Councilor Wunn stated that early in January he was made aware of the Family Birth Center at Mt. Hood Legacy closing. He participated in the Town Hall and also met with other area elected leaders and admin from Legacy to voice their concerns for the community. They are unable to stop it from closing but they let Legacy know they didn't agree with the closure.

Councilor White stated staff did a great job during the snowstorm. The safest route up the hill is Sandy Avenue and he thinks that should have been a Council decision to not make it a snow route. He would like to put that on the agenda for the 3/14 meeting as a discussion.

Ray Young stated he would talk to staff and try to get it on the agenda in April maybe.

Councilor White stated that State legislation changed where Troutdale can cite marijuana dispensaries (near parks) and he thinks Council should discuss it sooner rather than later.

Ray Young stated this will be on the 3/14 meeting agenda.

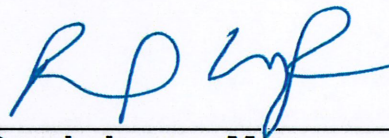
Councilor Glantz welcomed Councilor Wittren. She stated she's been participating in the LOC ComDev policy. There are a couple bills that are looking to be passed pretty soon that are pretty terrifying, in her opinion. What she really finds concerning is that Senator Gorsek and Representative Hudson are sponsoring the bills. She has the materials if anybody wants to look through them.

Mayor Lauer congratulated Councilor Wittren. He stated Public Works did a fantastic job.

8. ADJOURNMENT

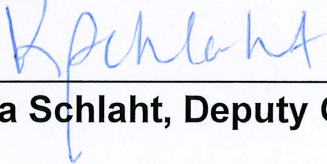
**MOTION: Councilor Ripma moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilor Wittren.
Motion passed unanimously.**

Meeting adjourned at 9:21pm.



Randy Lauer, Mayor
Dated: April 26, 2023

ATTEST:



Kenda Schlaht, Deputy City Recorder

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Mayor and Councilors,

This would be a very easy decision for me. Mr. Mammone received over 2,600 votes in the November election. That's 2,600 + Troutdale citizens who wanted him to be one of the three Councilors seated. He followed the standard procedure to become a Troutdale Councilor, filing to be on the ballot, and publishing a candidate statement in the voters' pamphlet. None of the eight Johnny-come-latelies did any of that. My position would be the same toward either Councilor Wunn or Councilor Ripma if they had gotten the fourth-highest vote total. They're all the ones who made the timely decision to put themselves before the voters, and elections should be the primary method for selecting Council members. Whenever available, the preference of the voters should take priority over the opinion of as few as four Council members. If it had been possible to remove Nick Moon's name from the ballot, this discussion wouldn't even be happening. I look forward to Mr. Mammone taking his rightful place on Council.

Submitted by:

Paul Wilcox

Troutdale

2/28/23



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About the Festival




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MHJF History

The Mt. Hood Jazz Festival began at Mt. Hood Community College in 1982 and was produced by the Gresham/Mt. Hood Jazz Association (GMHJA) which was a non-profit, public-benefit corporation whose goal was to "promote the appreciation of jazz as a unique American art form."



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MHJF History

At its height, the festival drew crowds of 30,000 people to listen to the top performers in the jazz industry, including Sonny Rollins, Dave Brubeck, Tito Puente, Arturo Sandoval and B.B. King. After moving off-campus in the early part of this century, the festival was last held in downtown Gresham in 2014.



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Northwest Jazz Band Festival

- For 42 years, the college has hosted an educational festival on campus, which continues today.
- This festival attracts over 75 high school and middle school jazz ensembles along with their families, friends, and educators.
- School jazz ensembles perform before a panel of adjudicators, receive feedback on their performance, and earn ratings that place them among other bands from across the Pacific Northwest.
- They attend masterclasses with professionals and have access to all of the performances at the festival.



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The New Format

- In 2019, the former Mt. Hood Jazz Association Board signed over the use of the festival name to the Music Program at MHCC.
- The return to the college births a new image and format for the festival and will secure the longevity of the festival's existence.
- Combines the professional festival history with the educational festival.
- Educates and inspires the jazz audience and musicians of today and tomorrow.
- With its return to MHCC, we have created a scaffolding effect for students attending the festival that allow them to see the road from MS to Professional.
- This festival engages the community by bringing world class artists to the East County and the greater community to our businesses and institution.




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The New Format

- The new format for the festival was set to launch in May of 2020, however....COVID
- In 2021, we launched a live-streamed festival (viewable on our YouTube page)
- In 2022, we finally launch a small version of the festival, observing guidelines for COVID precautions



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Additional Support

- KMHD 89.1 Jazz Radio
- Montavilla Jazz Festival
- PDX Jazz Festival
- New Deal Distillery
- Beacock Music
- Wally's Music
- Troutdale Barber Chicks
- Bandits Bar and Grill
- State Farm Rob Henrickson
- The Hoppy Brewer
- RedFred Productions
- Tone Proper Productions




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2022 Educational Stats




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2022 Educational Stats

- 10 middle school big bands
- 33 high school big bands
- 11 high school jazz combos
- 39 band directors plus several student teachers
- Approximately 800-1000 students, and potentially as many family/friends in attendance
- **Note:** This is less than in 2019 due to the pandemic. We limited the number of ensembles per room to allow time for the space to air out. In a normal year, we would have 75 performing ensembles and a healthy waitlist in case a band canceled.




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2022 Pro Stage Stats

- 15 performances
- 84% of tickets sold
- Attendance was lower than ticket sales, possibly due to weather, rising illness in the community, or accessibility of the Yoshida Estate for this type of event.
- Connections/collaborations/sponsorships with 35 businesses or municipalities
- Grant supported by City of Gresham Arts and Culture Grant
- Live stream views: approximately 1000, from as far as Lisbon



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2022 Social Media Stats

- Facebook page reach: 20,000 people
- Instagram reach: 822 people
- 1 sponsored ad reaching 8,198 people



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Festival Glimpse




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The Community Value

- This festival has and will continue to play an important role in the story of our community.
- It supports musicians of all ages and abilities and brings international exposure to our community.
- It supports local businesses and deepens the cultural experience of our community.
- It brings world-renown musicians to the people of our community and the people of our community to our local businesses!



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The Social Justice Importance

Jazz is born out of the oppression and racist cruelty that no person deserves and a level of discrimination that should never have existed.

This music is about overcoming injustice and rising above challenges. Jazz serves as the perfect vehicle for education and harmony on social justice issues. It teaches us how to work together for the common good.

We take pride in bringing music of these values to our community through live performances and education at our annual Mt. Hood Jazz Festival.



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2023 Artists

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Ignacio Berroa Trio • Bill Charlap Trio
Michael Dease • Esthesis Quartet
Soul Vaccination • Mark Zaleski Quartet
Dan Balmer Group • Mt. Hood Jazz Collective
Portland Jazz Composers Ensemble
and more!

TICKETS ON SALE

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Thank you!



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