
**City of Newberg
City Council
July 6, 2021**

Meeting held electronically due to COVID-19 pandemic

WORK SESSION –

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Councilors Present: Mayor Rick Rogers, Councilors: Denise Bacon, Elise Yarnell Hollamon, Stephanie Findley, Bryce Coefield, and Mike McBride.

Absent: Julia Martinez Plancarte

Staff Present: City Manager Dan Weinheimer, City Attorney James Walker, City Recorder Sue Ryan, City Engineer Kaaren Hofmann, and Community Development Director Doug Rux.

PRESENTATIONS:

Waste Management Rate Increase:

Dave Huber, Waste Management, introduced Waste Management operations. Gary Nelson, Operations Manager, gave the Newberg Services and Operations Report and discussed purchase of new trucks. Evan Burmester explained the 2020 detailed cost report, rate comparison, and proposed rate increase.

There was discussion regarding the disposal costs. Mr. Nelson described the option for a food scraps with yard debris program. Mr. Burmester showed a rate comparison with implementation of this new program.

There was discussion regarding the customer survey that was done regarding the food scraps program, no option for customers to opt out, cost for the pail, other cities that had this service, recycling program, agreement with the City, and timeline for a decision.

The options for Council were: Approve the rate adjustment of 3.7% or Approve the rate adjustment, and food scraps option.

Councilor Bacon suggested running another survey on the City's website and to go to Sustainable Newberg to get more input. CM Weinheimer suggested putting the customer survey results on the City's website as well. There was consensus for staff to move forward as suggested. There was also consensus to get more information about an expanded recycling program.

Non-potable Water:

City Engineer Hofmann discussed the City's non-potable water system. She explained the use for the recycled water, map of existing purple pipe, current system and plans for expansion, other background information, and outstanding tasks. There was currently only one customer, the golf course.

There was discussion on expanding the system to nearby farms and how purple pipe to the old mill site was not in the Urban Renewal Plan or System Development Charge (SDC) list as a project.

There was consensus for staff to look into making changes to the Municipal Code to allow for the provision of non-potable water outside of the City limits. There was also consensus for staff to look into requiring new irrigation and industrial users to hook up to purple pipe if it was available. Mayor Rogers suggested looking into what it would cost to get purple pipe to the old mill site. CE Hofmann noted there was a limit to how much recycled water the City could provide.

BUSINESS SESSION:

Councilors Present: Mayor Rick Rogers, Councilors: Denise Bacon, Elise Yarnell Hollamon, Mike McBride, Bryce Coefield, and Stephanie Findley

Absent: Julia Martinez Plancarte

Staff Present: City Manager Dan Weinheimer, City Attorney James Walker, City Recorder Sue Ryan, City Engineer Kaaren Hofmann,

Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Moment of silence for farmworker Sebastien Francisco Perez who passed away from extreme heat in St. Paul, Oregon. Mayor Rogers read a letter that would be sent to state legislators encouraging the completion of OSHA rules that would protect farms and farmworkers.

Proclamation – Newberg Old Fashioned Festival Week

Mayor Rogers proclaimed July 24-25, 2021 as Newberg Old Fashioned Festival Week. NOFF representatives accepted the proclamation. They included the Court – Queen Macy Schowalter, Princess Lily Green, Princess Sinai Sanchez-Aviles, Court Coordinator Missy Love, and NOFF President-elect Richard Silver.

CITY MANAGER & CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS:

City Manager Weinheimer reported on the end to face covering requirements in public spaces, response to the extreme heat event with cooling stations, no fireworks in Newberg due to fire hazards, increase in police service calls and warnings issued about fireworks, downtown gift card program, and Police Chief selection of Jeff Kosmicki.

There was discussion regarding police service calls and the fireworks ban.

City Attorney Walker presented the Quarter 2 2021 update. He gave a summary of the matters that came in during the second quarter of 2021 and the Public Works/Engineering, Community Development, Finance, and Public Safety items that were handled. He then discussed coming items in Quarter 3.

There was discussion regarding being on track with the budget for the City Attorney.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

City Recorder Ryan read the names of the student committee appointments.

Mayor Rogers discussed the interview process and congratulated the students.

Action:	To approve student committee appointments as recommended by the Mayor in the staff report.
Motion:	Councilor McBride
Second:	Councilor Bacon
Vote:	6 Yes 0 No 1 Absent [Martinez Plancarte]

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Patrick Nofield, president of Escape Lodging, said his company developed boutique and branded hotels. They had a site in Newberg to build a 79 room Marriott hotel. It would be a mid-market hotel. He gave a SDC cost comparison. To develop a 79 room hotel would cost \$765,892 more than to build self-storage units. He discussed SDC costs from previous projects in other communities which were significantly lower than Newberg's. The benefits of this project were increasing Transient Lodging Tax and visitor spending in the community as well as creating 35-40 jobs. He proposed to pay a maximum of \$500,000 out of pocket towards the SDCs and to enter into an agreement with the City with a note payable for the remaining balance that would be paid for by the newly realized Transient Lodging Tax dollars (9%) that they would collect from guests until the debt was paid in full (approximately 18 months after the property was operational).

CONSENT CALENDAR

Action:	To approve Resolution 2021-3746, Intermountain Slurry Seal contract award for 2021 Pavement Maintenance work; Resolution 2021-3721, Amendment of IGA Agreement 31704 with ODOT; Resolution 2021-3751 ODOT Right of Way Agreement for N. College Street, Resolution 2021-3759 ratification of fireworks ban approved on July 2 nd during an emergency meeting.
Motion:	Councilor Bacon
Second:	Councilor Findley
Vote:	6 Yes 0 No 1 Absent [Martinez Plancarte]

NEW BUSINESS

City Engineer Hofmann gave a presentation on sidewalks. She discussed statistics and the need for sidewalks, critical routes in the City, how the City was currently reactive in dealing

with sidewalks, property owners were responsible for their sidewalks, residential sidewalk grant program and sidewalk loan programs, other strides forward, and next steps.

There was discussion on:

- Grant and loan program requirements,
- Costs and methods to pay for sidewalk repairs,
- Publicity for the program,
- City installing on critical routes,

There was consensus for staff to modify the grant and loan programs and publicize the programs more as well as focus on the critical routes. Staff would also look into adding the sidewalks into the City's programs with current funding and look into other funding options.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ON Real Property ORS 192.660(2)(e)

Start: 8:39 p.m.

Stop: 8:55 p.m.

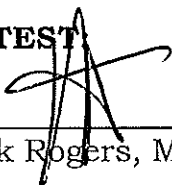
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Staff Present: City Manager Weinheimer, PWS Director Thomas, CDD Rux, City Engineer Hofmann, City Attorney Walker, and Cable Huston attorney Gretchen Barnes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.



Sue Ryan, City Recorder

ATTEST


Rick Rogers, Mayor