

**NEWBERG CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
JANUARY 3, 2006
7:00 P.M. MEETING
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING - TRAINING ROOM**

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Bob Stewart called the meeting to order.

II. ROLL CALL

Members

Present:	Mayor Bob Stewart	Bob Andrews	Mike Boyes
	Roger Currier	Dawn Nelson	Mike McBride
	Robert Soppe		

Members

Absent: None.

Staff

Present: James Bennett, City Manager
Terrence Mahr, City Attorney
Kathy Tri, Finance Director
Robert Tardiff, Police Chief
Barton Brierley, Planning and Building Director
Leah Griffith, Library Director
Al Blodgett, Fire
Dave Brooks, IT Manager
Dan Danicic, Public Works Director
David Beam, Planning
Kathleen Bochart, Recording Secretary

Others

Present: Grace Schaad, Warren Parrish, Lon Wall

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE PERFORMED BY BOY SCOUT TROOP 269

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

IV. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

James Bennett, City Manager presented staff report. Mr. Bennett stated that there is a special Council meeting on January 23, 2006. At this time the council subcommittees will give their report on the charter and recommend any changes. February 8, 2006 is the annual goal setting meeting starting at 6 PM at the Windrose Conference Center. Kathy Tri is now retired and is working as a contract employee and will be with the City of Newberg through the process of hiring a new finance director.

PUBLIC MEETING SECTION

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consider approving City Council Regular Session Minutes for December 5, 2005.
2. Consider approving a sound permit application by Anna-Lisa Adams for the Second Chance Benefit Concert.

MOTION: Soppe/Currier to approve consent calendar approving City Council Regular Session Minutes for December 5th, 2005 as amended and approving a sound permit application by Anna-Lisa Adams for the Second Chance Benefit Concert. (Unanimous) Motion carried.

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

1. Public Hearing to consider approving **Ordinance No. 2006-2628** adopting rules relating to parking in planter strips and **Ordinance No. 2006-2632** adopting rules relating to maintenance of planter strips and public right-of-ways.
Legislative Hearing

Barton Brierley, Planning and Building Director presented staff report. Mr. Brierley stated that this was a continuing report on rules relating to parking in the planter strips.

Councilor Andrews asked what if there is no curb on the road.

Mr. Brierley stated that the driver can then park past the road.

Mr. Brierley recommended the adoption of **Ordinance No. 2006-2628 and 2006-2632**.

Councilor Soppe asked what would be needed if he wanted to pave the planter strip in front of his house.

Mr. Brierley stated that a permit from the city would be required.

Councilor Soppe asked what are the standards for the permit.

Mr. Brierley answered they would have to meet the parking standards of the ordinance.

Councilor Soppe stated that staff felt that it wasn't necessary to notify property owners of the new ordinances. Mr. Soppe stated that he believes they should be notified.

Councilor Currier asked about a statement on page 19 of the council pack. Under background 2-A It says "Staff suggests has modified..." Councilor Currier asked if that was a typo.

Mr. Brierley stated that it was a typo. The word suggest should not be there.

Councilor Currier asked if the date of adoption of the ordinance should be included in the ordinance.

Mr. Brierley stated that it was possible to do that.

Councilor Currier asked if there will be a problem when the Traffic Safety Commission gives a conditional use permit and other people think that it is ok for them to do it, not knowing about the required permit. Councilor Currier asked for clarification on page 21 under 3-B, No signs shall be placed within the planter strip except as allowed under 151.600. It talks about everything but political signs. Councilor Currier stated that as he understood it, the only signs allowed in the right of way were political signs. Also there is no mention of R-1 and R-2 zones.

Councilor Soppe stated that R-1 and R-2 zones are covered on page 28 of the council packet under letter C.

MOTION: Soppe/Nelson to approve **Ordinance No. 2006-2632** adopting rules relating to maintenance of planter strips and public right-of-ways with the amendment to section 96.61 (A) as follows: All street trees that were required to be installed under a street tree plan or similar requirements shall be maintained in a healthy condition by the adjoining property owner, or replaced with a tree consistent with the approved street tree plan for that location or, if none, with any approved street tree plan for the area, or if none, with any tree from the city's approved street tree list. (Unanimous) Motion carried.

MOTION: Soppe/McBride to approve **Ordinance No. 2006-2628** adopting rules relating to parking in planter strips. (Unanimous) Motion carried.

2. Public Hearing to consider approving **Ordinance No. 2006-2634** amending the Newberg Comprehensive Plan Policies.
Legislative Hearing

Barton Brierley, Planning and Building Director, presented staff report and recommended adopting **Ordinance No. 2006-2634**.

Councilor Currier asked about target densities on page 35 of the council packet. Councilor Currier asked if it can exceed the density.

Mr. Brierley stated that these are just targets showing the minimum of what the committee wants.

Councilor Boyes asked about tax incentives that are mentioned on page 34. Councilor Boyes asked if this was something that the city currently provides.

Mr. Brierley stated that it is something that could be put into effect.

Councilor Soppe stated that he doesn't feel comfortable adopting the ordinance with the wording as is on page 34 under Letter H 1-A. Councilor Soppe feels that it should include something similar to "using methods such as..." before "tax incentive programs...". Councilor Soppe also commented on item H, letter I under Industrial Area Policies. Councilor Soppe asked what happens if land is needed for something else and needs to be re-zoned.

Mr. Brierley stated that the council can decide to go back and change this part of the plan.

Councilor Soppe asked if there was a reply from the committee to a citizen when asked how the city can promote a country feel with such high density numbers.

Mr. Brierley stated that it was more of a thought provoking question for the committee.

Councilor Andrews asked about school policies on council page 36. Councilor Andrews asked if it was referring to k-12 or k-12 and the university.

Mr. Brierley stated that it included the university.

Councilor Currier asked if there could be an Ordinance saying that there is no annexation of clear cut property.

Mr. Brierley stated that the concept hasn't been brought up in either the Planning Commission or the Ad-Hoc committee.

Councilor Currier stated that it might be something that could be brought up to the committees.

Grace Schaad stated that she is here to say that there should be more active wording in the Ordinance instead of passive wording. Ms. Schaad stated that when the word encourages to her it seems that nothing will ever happen.

Warren Parrish stated that he is not against improving the comprehensive plan. Mr. Parrish stated that he thinks it is important that the City Charter has a statement about keeping the small town atmosphere.

Mr. Mahr stated that he believes that statement is in the Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Parrish stated that he thinks it is really important to keep thinking about how to keep a small town atmosphere once the bypass is in.

Lon Wall stated that he has been very public with how he feels about the Planning and Ad-Hoc Committees and how good of job they have been doing. Mr. Wall stated that he believes it is a fair and reasonable document. Mr. Wall stated that he agrees with Councilor Soppe, that some of the language needs to be changed. Mr. Wall stated that there may be citizens who don't like the idea of economic development and those citizens may try and attack this document.

Councilor McBride asked if Mr. Wall would like to see the document more precise.

Mr. Wall stated what bothers him is that it clearly states the city will encourage a stable economic base through tax incentives.

Councilor McBride asked if Mr. Wall was opposed to the wording.

Mr. Wall said that was correct.

Mr. Brierley stated that the recommendation from staff is to adopt **Ordinance No. 2006-2634**, with changes to council packet page 34 Policies 1-A.

Councilor Soppe asked what the disadvantage was of not mentioning the item on tax incentives and preferential assessments.

Mr. Brierley stated that the document loses direction.

MOTION: Soppe/Andrews to approve **Ordinance No. 2006-2634** amending the Newberg Comprehensive Plan Policies.

MOTION: Soppe/Currier to amend the motion on **Ordinance No. 2006-2634**.

Under item H policy 1-A to read as follows "In order to increase the percentage of persons who live in Newberg and work in Newberg, the City shall encourage a diverse and stable economic base. Potential methods may include, but are not limited to, land use controls and capital improvement programs. (Unanimous) Motion carried.

VOTE: Unanimous. Motion carried to approve **Ordinance No. 2006-2634** amending the Newberg Comprehensive Plan Policies.

3. Public Hearing to consider approving **Ordinance No. 2006-2635** adopting the Economic Opportunity Analysis as part of the Newberg Comprehensive Plan.

Legislative Hearing

David Beam presented staff report and recommended adopting **Ordinance No. 2006-2635**.

Councilor Soppe asked when a student at the university can be a resident of Newberg.

Mr. Beam stated that it is his understanding that a student can choose to be a resident.

Councilor Soppe asked about the last bullet on page 64. Councilor Soppe asked if this has been done already.

Mr. Brierley stated that it can be taken out.

Councilor Soppe asked about the shortage of 63 buildable commercial acres. Councilor Soppe asked where Winterbrook come to the conclusion that there was a shortage.

Mr. Bennett reminded the council that the report from Winterbrook was from 2004 and could have already been put into effect with these recommendations.

Councilor Soppe asked if the numbers for table 12-10 were correct.

Mr. Brierley stated that they are correct.

Councilor Andrews asked if the table 12-1 on page 52 include the Urban Growth Boundary.

Mr. Beam stated that they do include the population of the UGB.

MOTION: McBride/Andrews to approve **Ordinance No. 2006-2635** adopting the Economic Opportunity Analysis as part of the Newberg Comprehensive Plan. (Unanimous)

BUSINESS MEETING SECTION

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

None.

IX. CONTINUED BUSINESS

None.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

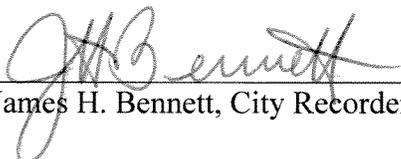
1. *Executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(e) relating to a real property transaction – Gateway Property.*

Executive Session was held during work session.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Currier/Soppe to adjourn. (Unanimous)

ADOPTED by the Newberg City Council this 6th day of February, 2006.


James H. Bennett, City Recorder

ATTEST by the Mayor this 10th day of February, 2006.


Bob Stewart, Mayor