
**City of Newberg
City Council
July 15, 2019**

WORK SESSION – Joint Meeting with the Planning Commission

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

Councilors Present: Mayor Rick Rogers, Councilors: Patrick Johnson, Stephanie Findley, and Elise Yarnell Hollamon.

Councilors Absent: Denise Bacon, Mike Corey, Elizabeth Curtis Gemeroy.

Planning Commissioners: Sharon Capri, Jason Dale, Robert Ficker, Kriss Wright, Student Commissioner Colin Bolek.

Staff Present: City Manager Joe Hannan, City Attorney Truman Stone, City Recorder Sue Ryan, Police Chief Brian Casey, Finance Director Matt Zook, Community Development Director Doug Rux, Senior Planner Cheryl Caines,

Topic: Work Session – Riverfront Plan Workshop with Planning Commission. Senior Planner Caines discussed the project schedule, vision statement, background for the work, public input, key concepts, alternative designs, preferred Alternative E, implementation strategy, Comprehensive Plan designations for the area, residential units that could be developed, infrastructure analysis and needed improvements, and next steps.

Discussion: The Council & Planning Commission discussed fencing standards, preferred alternative, issues with WestRock and the old mill site, zoning changes and annexations that would be required, sequencing to implement the master plan, and use of the railway for tourism.

BUSINESS SESSION

CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – CITY MANAGER’S REPORT- PRESENTATIONS:

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilors Present: Mayor Rick Rogers, Councilors: Patrick Johnson, Stephanie Findley, and Elise Yarnell Hollamon.

Councilors Absent: Denise Bacon, Elizabeth Curtis Gerneroy, Mike Corey.

Staff Present: City Manager Joe Hannan, City Attorney Truman Stone, City Recorder Sue Ryan, Community Development Director Doug Rux, Police Chief Brian Casey, Finance Director Matt Zook,

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT:

City Manager Hannan reported on the transition to City Manager Pro Tem David Clyne, Zion Lutheran church emergency preparedness MOU, Veterans banners for Highway 99, and Newberg Old Fashioned Festival.

A brief recognition ceremony was held for departing City Manager Hannan.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Walter Want, Newberg resident, expressed concern caused by new construction in his neighborhood including dead trees and damage to the curbs and roundabout.

Mayor Rogers discussed citizen concerns regarding the Elliott Road improvements.

ACTION ITEMS- Consent Calendar

1. a) Resolution 2019-3576, A Resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a construction contract with K & E Paving Inc. dba H & H Paving to complete the construction of the 2019 Pavement Rehabilitation Project in the amount of \$1,139,270.50.

b) Resolution 2019-3583, A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Cache Valley Electric to purchase computer hardware to replace the aging network equipment.

Action: Approved consent calendar items as presented.
Motion: Councilor Johnson
Second: Councilor Findley
Vote: 4 Yes, 3 Absent [Bacon, Corey, Curtis Gerneroy]

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion of new revenue options for Public Safety Communications Upgrade project

Staff Report: Finance Director Zook presented. The Budget Committee requested Council consider alternative revenue streams to offset debt service payments for the public safety communications upgrade project. The options he was bringing forward for Council consideration were a new Public Safety Fee, a property tax levy, or a local option levy. He explained the process for these options and the fiscal impacts. The soonest a levy could be put on a ballot would be May of 2020.

Discussion:

The Council discussed:

- Postponing the decision until the full Council was present.
- Budget process and ending fund balance.
- Outreach to the community including forming a citizen committee or using the current Budget Committee.
- Making this a Council priority.

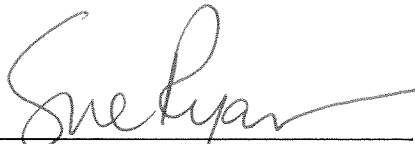
COUNCIL BUSINESS

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Council Committee Reports

Mayor Rogers reported on the tree inventory and upcoming Housing Newberg meeting and Council goals meeting. Councilor Findley reported on the Visioning Committee. Councilor Johnson reported on the Willamette Falls Locks Commission. Councilor Yarnell Hollamon reported on homelessness and partnering with the city of McMinnville.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.



Sue Ryan, City Recorder

ATTEST:

Rick Rogers, Mayor

