

MINUTES  
Warrenton City Commission  
Work Session – April 11, 2023  
5:15 p.m.  
Warrenton City Hall - Commission Chambers  
225 S. Main  
Warrenton, OR 97146

Mayor Balensifer called the work session to order at 5:16 p.m.

City Commissioners Present: Mayor Henry Balensifer, Tom Dyer, Mark Baldwin, Paul Mitchell, and Gerald Poe

Staff Present: City Manager Esther Moberg, Finance Director Jessica Barrett, Police Chief Mathew Workman, Interim Harbormaster Don Beck, Fire Chief Brian Alsbury, Public Works Director Greg Shafer, Public Works Operations Manager Jim McCarthy, Planning Director Matthew Ellis, and City Recorder Dawne Shaw

City Manager Esther Moberg began the review of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) with the Police Department vehicle replacements. She also noted the City Hall/Administration general fund CIP items. Fire Chief reviewed the fire department CIP items; Public Works Director Greg Shafer reviewed the CIP items for public works. Mayor Balensifer asked for clarification on the funding for the Hammond waterline. Mr. Shafer stated it will be done in two phases, and noted they are finalizing on the million dollar grant, which is EPA funds which requires a cultural assessment. It was noted the funding is secured for the first phase, and there is still some funding that is needed for the second phase. Ms. Moberg stated that if material costs continue to increase, it may be necessary to do the project in three phases. She stated we do not have the second phase estimate at this point. Mr. Shafer continued his review with Streets. Mayor Balensifer discussed 4<sup>th</sup> Street and noted it was an urban renewal project that was cancelled due to lack of community support for it. He questioned how it was resurrected. Mr. Shafer stated that various projects get left in the CIP, but the funding is years out; they are left in basically as a place holder. Mr. Shafer also noted there is also a CIP project to replace undersized waterline on this particular street. Discussion continued; Mayor Balensifer suggested to keep the engineering costs in the next fiscal year, move the rebuild project construction costs out to 2028/2029 or 2030, but keep the waterline in the next year's CIP. Ms. Moberg confirmed they will move this project out. Review continued with N. Main and NW 7<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Balensifer summarized past promises and plans for this street; after continued discussion consensus was to move it up to first on the list. Mr. Shafer reviewed the storm sewer projects and equipment/vehicles. Review and discussion followed on tide gates. Mayor Balensifer asked about the interior drainage study; Mr. Shafer noted it should be completed in a month. Discussion followed on the street repair/paving of 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Hammond. It was noted that the drainage and ponding issues at Jetty and 4<sup>th</sup> are significant. Mr. Shafer noted that N. Main and 7<sup>th</sup> is the priority, however suggested that 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue follow it in 2026/2027.

It was noted that due to time constraints, review of the CIP will continue in the regular meeting.

Interim Harbormaster Don Beck began with a brief review of the Marina CIP, noting the Warrenton E Dock pile replacement. He also noted a project to install security gates on the commercial docks, E & F. He noted the plan for inner basin dock replacements; discussion followed on what projects will be outsourced.

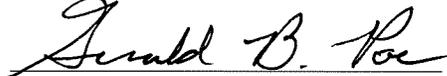
At 5:59 p.m., Mayor Balensifer adjourned the work session, noting it will continue in the following regular meeting.

ATTEST:



Dawne Shaw, CMC, City Recorder

APPROVED:



~~Henry A. Balensifer III, Mayor~~  
Gerald Poe, Mayor Pro-tem