City of Newberg City Council September 3, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:01 p.m.

Councilors Present: Mayor Bill Rosacker, Councilor Mike McBride,

Councilor Robyn Wheatley, Councilor Elise Yarnell

Hollamon, Councilor Peggy Kilburg

Staff Present: Will Worthey, Rachel Thomas, James Walker, Scot

Seigel, Russ Thomas, Korie Burkle, Kady Strode, Captain Simmons, Connor Pomeroy, Clay Downing, James Dingwall, Jeremiah Cromie, Sergeant Ronning,

Neal Winter, Sergeant Brian Hagen.

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Will Worthey provided an update on the city happenings, including National Night Out event partnership with the Newberg-Dundee Police Department, the Wastewater Treatment Plant project, community engagement projects, new city hires and promotions, library operations, and more.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

6.1 Water Hardship Exemption for 901 S McKern Court

Discussion: Community Development Director Scot Siegal provided

a brief overview of the motion.

Action: Approve Resolution 2024-3949 Water Hardship

Exemption

Motion: Councilor McBride

Second: Councilor Yarnell Hollamon

Vote: 4 Yes, 1 No (Rosacker), 2 Absent (Cloyd, Carmon)

LEGISLATIVE HEARING

7.1 Ordinance Amending the Newberg Municipal Code, Title 15 Development

Code, 15.05.030, 15.305.030, and 15.440.030 Related to Daycare Facilities and Play Structures (File No. DCA

23-0002).

Discussion: Former councilor Molly Olson identified a few barriers

to childcare facilities in Newberg in November. The council has been working to address these barriers, and this code amendment has been added to that initiative. This code amendment provided more relaxed parking requirements for Newberg daycare facilities as

well as how to define play structures.

Action: Waive 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2024-2928

Motion: Councilor Wheatley

Second: Councilor Yarnell Hollamon

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Cloyd, Carmon)

Action: Adopt Ordinance No. 2024-2928 as amended by title

only.

Motion: Councilor Wheatley Second: Councilor McBride

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Cloyd, Carmon)

7.2 Ordinance Amending the Newberg Municipal Code, Title 15 Development

Code, Including Sections 15.05.030 and 15.435.110

relating to signs (File No. DCA24-0001).

Discussion: Associate Planning Director Jeremiah Cromey and

NDPD Sgt. Ronning provided an overview of proposed

code amendments to define differences between portable and minor freestanding signs and clear up

time restrictions to each.

Public Comment: Newberg resident Robert Soppe expressed concern

around the implications of signage prohibition in the public right of way and the definition of those signage

and where they can be placed.

Community Development Director Siegal addressed Soppe's concerns to help define temporary signage in regards to community events. They also discussed the difference between private property and public right-

of-way.

Action:

Waive second reading of Ordinance No. 2024-2929

Motion:

Councilor McBride

Second:

Councilor Yarnell Hollamon

Vote:

5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Cloyd, Carmon)

Action:

Adopt Ordinance No. 2024-2929 with an amendment allowing minor freestanding signs in the public right of way and eliminating the time limit for lots outside of

C3 and C4 zones by title only.

Motion:

Councilor Kilburg Mayor Rosacker

Second: Vote:

5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Cloyd, Carmon)

NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Abandoned Vehicle Code Update

Discussion:

Sgt. Ronning and Sgt. Hagan provided a proposed

update of the current abandoned vehicle code that

would help define abandoned vehicles.

Action:

Waive second reading of Ordinance 2024-2927

Motion:

Councilor Yarnell Hollamon

Second:

Councilor Wheatley

Vote:

5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Cloyd, Carmon)

Action:

Adopt ordinance 2024-2927 amending Newberg's

Municipal Code related to discarded and stored

vehicles on public property by title only.

Motion:

Councilor Yarnell Hollamon

Second:

Councilor Wheatley

Vote:

5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Cloyd, Carmon)

8.2 Request for an Appeal of the Planning Commission Order 2024-05

Authorizing the Operation of Vacation Rental Home at 215 N. School Street (File No. APL24-0001/CUP23-

0019).

Discussion:

City Attorney James Walker provided a legal disclosure

for this order. Assistant Planner James Dingwall provided the staff report detailing the proposed

vacation rental home.

Public Comment:

Newberg resident Robert Soppe appeared in opposition to the vacation rental due to the nature of vacation rentals in Newberg and the density of these rentals in the proposed area. He recommended that council deny the proposed vacation rental.

Steve Elzinga, a representative of the property owner, appeared to clarify some decisions made, specifically what the two-month window includes, as well as shared what the property owner feels is benefit to the community. He also stated that the restrictions were inequitable for this property versus others around town.

City councilors asked clarifying questions about the requests and discussed potential code amendments in the future.

Action:

Motion to approve the appeal which adopts City Council Order 2024-0046 and approve the conditional

use permit as previously recommended by staff

(Exhibit "A").

Motion:

Councilor Kilburg
Councilor Wheatley

Second: Vote:

5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Cloyd, Carmon)

COUNCIL BUSINESS

9.1 Discussion of Wine Marketing Ad-Hoc Committee

Mayor Rosacker said he was discussing a larger wine marketing initiative with Adelsheim Winery owner David Adelsheim about increasing Newberg's prominence as a winery region.

Councilor McBride questioned why there should be an additional committee in addition to the marketing efforts by Taste Newberg. City Manager Will Worthey encouraged city council members to learn lessons from Poysdorf, Austria, and potentially look to start a Willamette Valley Wine Festival.

10.1 Debate Forum for Council Candidates

Mayor Rosacker said he had an idea for a council candidate forum, but there are too many barriers and other organizations in the area that are offering the same idea without public conflict.

Meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Rachel Momas
Rachel Thomas, City Recorder
ATTEST:
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Bill Rosacker, Mayor