



CITY OF OREGON CITY

CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING - REVISED MINUTES

Commission Chambers, Libke Public Safety Facility, 1234 Linn Ave, Oregon City
Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 7:00 PM

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION

1. CONVENE MEETING AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Lyles Smith convened the meeting at 7:03 PM.

PRESENT: 5 - Mayor Rachel Lyles Smith, Commissioner Adam Marl, Commissioner Denyse McGriff, Commissioner Frank O'Donnell, and Commissioner Rocky Smith, Jr.

STAFFERS: 10 - City Manager Tony Konkol, Assistant City Recorder Jakob Wiley, Senior Planner Christina Robertson-Gardner, Parks & Rec. Director Kendall Reid, City Attorney Bill Kabeiseman, Assistant to the City Manager Lisa Oreskovich, Police Chief James Band, Finance Director Matt Zook, Library Director Greg Williams, and Economic Development Manager James Graham

2. FLAG SALUTE

3. CEREMONIES AND PROCLAMATIONS

- 3a. Proclamation Declaring the Month of November as "Shop Oregon City" and Saturday, November 27, 2021 as Oregon City Buy Local, Small Business Saturday

Mayor Lyles Smith read the proclamation declaring November 2021 as Shop Oregon City Month and November 27, 2021 as Oregon City Buy Local, Small Business Saturday.

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Karla Laws, resident of Oregon City, would like more clarification on the decision that was made on October 6, 2021 for the use of a public hearings officer as part of the land use process.

Bob La Salle, resident of Oregon City, discussed concerns of the Park Place neighborhood about evacuation during wildfires and increased housing developments causing more traffic which showed the need for the Holly Lane extension. There were no alternate routes to Holcomb Boulevard to get in and out of Park Place. He requested no new developments be allowed until alternate routes were established. He also asked that the issue be addressed at the next City Commission Work Session.

William Gifford, resident of Oregon City, announced Oregon City Business Alliance would be hosting representatives from ODOT next Tuesday to discuss the I-205 tolling project.

Jim Donnelly, resident of Oregon City, was representing the Barclay Hills Neighborhood Association. They asked the Commission to reevaluate the Comprehensive Plan high density zoning at the headwaters of Singer Creek, south and east of Singer Creek Park.

5. PRESENTATIONS

5a. Newell Creek Canyon Park Grand Opening Presentation

Christine Lewis, Metro Councilor, and Monty Woods, Parks Operations Manager, said the Newell Creek Canyon Park would open on December 6. She explained the amenities in the park. Staff would be at the park every day and there would be a virtual grand opening and field guide online.

There was discussion regarding strategies for keeping the restrooms and park safe and clean, how camping was not allowed at the park, working with partners to provide alternate places for the homeless, trail maps, no pets allowed in the park, and contact information at the park.

5b. Main Street America Presentation

Sheri Stewart, Oregon Main Street America, explained the Main Street program, grant funding, importance of investing in downtown, public/private partnerships, reduced vacancies and improvements in Oregon City's downtown, Downtown Oregon City Association's work during the pandemic, and community building activities.

6. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as presented.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Commissioner McGriff, seconded by Commissioner Marl, to adopt the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: Mayor Lyles Smith, Commissioner Marl, Commissioner McGriff, Commissioner O'Donnell, and Commissioner Smith

7a. Minutes of the September 28, 2021 Joint Work Session with the City of West Linn

7b. Minutes of the September 30, 2021 Joint Work Session with the City of West Linn

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

8a. Resolution No. 21-53, Budget Adjustment and Supplemental Budget for the 2021-23 Biennium

Mayor Lyles Smith opened the public hearing.

Matt Zook, Finance Director, said this was a budget adjustment to recognize, in the current biennium, \$1,738,940 of unspent budgeted funds from the prior biennium for the Public Works Operations Complex.

There was no public testimony.

Mayor Lyles Smith closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Commissioner McGriff, seconded by Commissioner Marl, to adopt Resolution No. 21-53, budget adjustment and supplemental budget for the 2021-23 biennium. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: Mayor Lyles Smith, Commissioner Marl, Commissioner McGriff, Commissioner O'Donnell, and Commissioner Smith

- 8b. First Reading of Ordinance 21-1014 - An Ordinance Approving GLUA 21-00057 and LEG 21-00004, Adopting the Housing Needs Analysis

Mayor Lyles Smith opened the public hearing.

Christina Robertson-Gardner, Senior Planner, said this ordinance would adopt the Housing Needs Analysis. She explained the purpose of the HNA, how an Urban Growth Boundary expansion was not needed at this time, and if the HNA was adopted by the end of this year, the City would not need to do another HNA or Housing Production Strategy for another six years.

Mike Mitchell, resident of Oregon City, was concerned about the growth assumptions in the document. He thought the population and household size numbers did not match up.

Mayor Lyles Smith closed the public hearing.

There was discussion regarding Mr. Mitchell's comments, options for Council action, how the diverse housing types and affordable housing was not limited to people of color and should be reworded, addressing Barclay Hills neighborhood's request regarding high density, need for an accurate document for future decision making, assumptions and changing housing trends, and owning vs. renting.

Motion made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Marl, to continue Ordinance 21-1014 to December 1, 2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: Mayor Lyles Smith, Commissioner Marl, Commissioner McGriff, Commissioner O'Donnell, and Commissioner Smith

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 9a. Resolution No. 21-54, Declaring an Emergency and Exempting a Temporary Warming Shelter at The Father's Heart Street Ministry from Planning Code Requirements (November 17, 2021 until March 31, 2022)

Tony Konkol, City Manager, said this resolution was similar to previous emergency resolutions that had been approved for this facility to have a warming shelter during the cold winter months. Father's Heart had applied for a conditional use which was denied. They had also submitted an application for the same use under HB 2006. Staff was working on clarifying HB 2006 criteria for that application.

William Gifford, resident of Oregon City, read a letter from Nancy Ide who supported adoption of the resolution and requested the City Commission refund the fee for the conditional use application.

There was discussion regarding expectation for a neighborhood agreement, how the County needed to step up and use taxpayer funds to meet these needs, how this was a temporary warming shelter, no support for a refund, and changing the approval dates to revisit whether a neighborhood agreement had been done.

Motion made by Commissioner Marl, seconded by Commissioner McGriff, to adopt Resolution No. 21-54, declaring an emergency and exempting a temporary warming shelter at The Father's Heart Street Ministry from Planning Code requirements (November 17, 2021 until January 19, 2022). The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: Mayor Lyles Smith, Commissioner Marl, Commissioner McGriff, Commissioner O'Donnell, Commissioner Smith

- 9b. The Downtown Oregon City Association Memorandum of Understanding

Mr. Konkol said this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was approved in the budget for \$60,000 per year for a total of \$120,000 over the two-year biennium. The MOU outlined the roles and responsibilities of both the City and Downtown Oregon City Association (DOCA).

There was discussion regarding the number of events in the agreement and annual review.

Motion made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner McGriff, to approve the Downtown Oregon City Association Memorandum of Understanding. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: Mayor Lyles Smith, Commissioner Marl, Commissioner McGriff, Commissioner O'Donnell, Commissioner Smith

10. COMMUNICATIONS

11. City Manager

The City Manager did not have communications.

12. Commissioners

Commissioner O'Donnell reported on the I-205 tolling meeting.

Mayor Lyles Smith said the federal dollars they were expecting to receive for infrastructure projects would not cancel the tolling project.

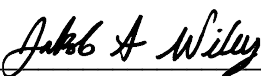
Commissioner Smith attended an event at the End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center with the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde. They were shown the new movie Oregon's First People and new Native American exhibits. There were also future projects to bring the first people's story to the Interpretive Center.

13. Mayor

14. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Lyles Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Jakob S. Wiley, City Recorder