



CITY OF OREGON CITY

CITY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES

Commission Chambers, Libke Public Safety Facility, 1234 Linn Ave, Oregon City
Tuesday, October 25, 2022 at 6:00 PM

1. CONVENE MEETING AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Denyse McGriff convened the meeting at 6:03 PM.

PRESENT: 4 - Mayor Denyse McGriff, Commissioner Frank O'Donnell, Commissioner Adam Marl, Commissioner Rocky Smith

STAFFERS: 4 - City Manager Tony Konkol, City Recorder Jakob Wiley, Finance Director Matt Zook, Assistant City Recorder Angelique Nomie

2. GENERAL BUSINESS

2a. Interviews for City Commission Appointment

City Commissioners interviewed each of the candidates according to the following schedule:

Sandra Toews – 6:05 PM

Mike Mitchell – 6:19 PM

Damon Mabee – 6:39 PM

Tom Geil – 7:02 PM

City Commissioners took a break from 7:23 PM to 7:30 PM.

Julie Hernandez – 7:31 PM

Casey Norlin – 7:49 PM

Jay Pearce – 8:14 PM

Petronella Donovan – 8:37 PM

The following questions were asked of each candidate:

- 1. Tell us about yourself, your government experience, community activities, and why you wish to serve. In addition to commission meetings and work sessions, what is your availability to serve on other committees, some of which occur during the day?*
- 2. What have you done to educate yourself of the issues facing the City of Oregon City? How have you prepared yourself to assume the duties of a city commissioner?*
- 3. What do you see as the three (3) most important issues facing Oregon City over the next year and a half? Do you have any suggestions for how the city could meet or overcome these challenges or opportunities?*

4. *What is your knowledge of Oregon City's efforts to improve diversity, equity, and inclusion? Please provide us with some examples of how the city could better incorporate these values into their operations.*
5. *Some of the most controversial issues the city commission faces relate to land use. Could you describe how land use issues come before the city commission and its role in the land use approval process? What rules apply to these hearings?*
6. *Give examples of how you work or have worked collaboratively on a project or issue. How has your conduct in those collaborative issues advanced or hindered the effort?*
7. *What strengths and knowledge would you bring to the City Commission? What are your weaknesses?*
8. *Is there anything else you would like us to know? Do you have questions of us?*

After interviews the City Commission took a break from 8:49 PM to 8:56 PM.

2b. Deliberation Over Potential Appointees

City Commissioners discussed the voting process and how an informal poll would be taken. If a majority of commissioners selected the same candidate, a motion would be taken to appoint that individual. If a majority was not reached, commissioners would submit their first and second candidate choices.

2c. Vote to Appoint Vacant City Commission Position, Term Ending 12/31/2024

Commissioners provided their selections to Jakob Wiley, City Recorder. Mr. Wiley reported a unanimous selection of Mike Mitchell.

Motion made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Mayor McGriff, to appoint Mike Mitchell to the vacant City Commission Position. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: 4 – Commissioner Adam Marl, Commissioner Frank O'Donnell, Commissioner Rocky Smith, and Mayor Denyse McGriff

3. COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor McGriff requested an update on filling the position of Communications Coordinator. Tony Konkol, City Manager said that six interviews for the position were recently conducted.

Mayor McGriff asked if any information on the City's website is in Spanish. Mr. Konkol said this is being discussed as part of the City's website redesign. Mayor McGriff asked if any City staff members speak other languages. Mr. Konkol replied that no such list exists.

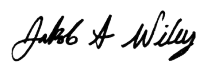
Commissioner Marl asked for an update on applications for the Youth Advisory Commission. Mr. Konkol said he worked yesterday with Lisa Oreskovich, Executive Assistant to the City Manager to finalize the document.

Commissioner O'Donnell asked if modifications had been made to the role of Communications Coordinator. Mr. Konkol said some modifications had been made.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McGriff adjourned the meeting at 9:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jakob S. Wiley", written in a cursive style.

Jakob S. Wiley, City Recorder