CITY OF OREGON CITY
CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

Commission Chambers, 625 Center Street, Oregon City
Wednesday, October 07, 2020 at 7:00 PM

6:15 PM - CITY COMMISSION EXECUTIVE SESSION

To be held in the Commission Chambers beginning at 6:15 PM and continuing after the regular meeting of the City Commission.

i. Pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(e): To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions.

7:00 PM - REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION

The public is strongly encouraged to relay concerns and comments to the Commission in one of three ways:

- *Email at any time up to 12 p.m. the day of the meeting to recorderteam@orcity.org.*
- *Phone call (Monday – Friday, 8 am – 5 pm) to 503-496-1505, all messages will be relayed and/or citizens can sign-up to be called during the meeting to provide over-the-phone testimony.*
- *Mail to City of Oregon City, Attn: City Recorder, P.O. Box 3040, Oregon City, OR 97045*

1. CONVENE MEETING AND ROLL CALL

Commission President Rachel Lyles Smith called the meeting to order at 7:11 PM

PRESENT – 4 Commissioner Denyse McGriff, Commissioner Frank O'Donnell, Commissioner Rachel Lyles Smith and Commissioner Rocky Smith, Jr.

ABSENT – 1 Mayor Dan Holladay

STAFFERS – 12 City Manager Tony Konkol, City Attorney Bill Kabeiseman, City Recorder Kattie Riggs, Community Development Director Laura Terway, Public Works Director John Lewis, Parks & Recreation Director Kendall Reid, Interim Finance Director Ryan Bredehoeft, Human Resource Director Patrick Foiles, Police Chief Jim Band, Library Director Greg Williams, Assistant to the City Manager Lisa Oreskovich and Economic Development Manager James Graham.

2. FLAG SALUTE

3. CEREMONIES, PROCLAMATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

3a. Mayoral Appointments to Committees of the Re-Imagine Opportunity Fund

No appointments were announced at this time.

3b. Oregon City Connector Shuttle Update

Public Works Director Lewis introduced Kristina Babcock, Transit Coordinator for Clackamas County. Ms. Babcock outlined that Clackamas County received funding from the House Bill 2017 Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund to explore four new public transit services that could provide vital connections to rural communities and areas that are currently hard to get to via transit. These shuttles would help relieve congestion on roads and they will provide critical, last-mile connections between service provided by regional transit. The Oregon City Connector Shuttle segment aims to make connections that will enable people to travel all the way to work, school, and other daily destinations on transit. The Oregon City Shuttle will fill gaps from TriMet stops to underserved portions of Oregon City. It will connect the Oregon City Transit Center, Clackamas Community College, and employers throughout the city, especially for transit-dependent and low-income populations. The Oregon City Shuttle will also provide critical connections with other regional transit providers serving Oregon City.

Ms. Babcock presented the potential Oregon City route, the type of vehicles used and next steps in the process before a potential start date of January 2021.

Commissioner McGriff asked as to what the name will be for the shuttles and if there will be sheltered stops on the route. Ms. Babcock indicated naming has yet to be decided and stops will be constructed and modified based on ridership numbers.

Commissioner Smith expressed that he hopes the branding will be local and feels that will factor into ridership volume. Commissioner Smith was also concerned about the route not stopping by Oregon City High School, which Ms. Babcock indicated could be adjusted at a later date once COVID restrictions are eased.

Commissioner O'Donnell expressed his compliments for a well thought out program.

Commissioner Lyle Smith asked about how the program is funded. Ms. Babcock indicated funding is through TriMet Regional Services, which derives from employer payroll taxes.

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Citizens are allowed up to 3 minutes to present information relevant to the City but not listed as an item on the agenda. Prior to speaking, citizens shall complete a comment form and deliver it to the City Recorder. The City Commission does not generally engage in dialog with those making comments but may refer the issue to the City Manager. Complaints shall first be addressed at the department level prior to addressing the City Commission.

Dorothy Dahlsrud, resident of Oregon City, commented on the heritage trees in Park Place Park and what she felt were inadequacies of the review process.

Jeana Gonzales, resident of Oregon City and chief petitioner for the Recall Mayor Holladay effort provided an update. Over three thousand signatures were verified by Clackamas County Elections Division and a recall election would be November 10, 2020.

Paul Edgar, resident of Oregon City, presented the proposal of relocating the two Camp Adair buildings at the upper yard of Waterboard Park to the Clackamas Veterans Village in Clackamas and repurposed. Mr. Edgar also proposes designating the buildings as historic structures and he had done research as to how they could be disassembled, physically moved, and stored on an interim basis. Mr. Edgar would like additional time in order to gain support from the Clackamas County Commission. With the agreement of the Commission, there was additional discussion on this topic.

Commissioner Smith was agreeable to the idea put forth by Mr. Edgar but felt the timing may not work with the timeline the City had for the property.

Commissioner O'Donnell recommended Mr. Edgar simplify his proposal.

Commissioner Lyle Smith expressed her support for the concept.

Mr. Konkol outlined to the Commission that RFP's (Request for Proposals) to move the two Adair buildings were due on October 9, 2020 and if none were received, the City would move forward with demolition of the buildings.

Commissioner O'Donnell was opposed to changing the existing City timeline for the property. Commissioner McGriff was amenable to extending the timeline, provided there is Clackamas County support.

Mr. Edgar planned to approach several County Commissioners with his concept.

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7a. Direction on Extending Temporary Parklets in the Right-of-Way and Temporary Outdoor Dining and Retail in Private Parking Lots Through the Winter

Laura Terway, Community Development Director, provided an update on the existing Parklet program and the advantages and disadvantages of extending the program during the winter months of December 1, 2020 through March 15, 2021. There were significant weather and safety issues presented if the Parklets program was extended.

The Commissioners discussed in depth the fire and safety issues with modifying the parklets for winter use and if any modifications would then render them non-compliant with current state COVID restrictions.

Motion made by Commissioner McGriff, to continue to next meeting and get feedback from businesses that have a parklet.

Motion did not proceed for lack of a second.

Motion made by Commissioner O'Donnell, to end the program on November 30, 2020 and allow those who have been approved to stay in place as is. Businesses with current parklets extended through March 14, 2021.

Motion did not proceed for lack of a second.

The Commission agreed to discuss this topic again at the October 21, 2020 City Commission meeting with a resolution.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

This section allows the City Commission to consider routine items that require no discussion and can be approved in one comprehensive motion. An item may only be discussed if it is pulled from the consent agenda.

Motion made by Commissioner McGriff, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve the Consent Agenda including items 8a. – 8f. The motion carried with the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Commissioner McGriff, Commissioner O'Donnell, Commissioner Lyle Smith, Commissioner Smith, Jr.

8a. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Clackamas River Water (CRW) for Cost Share for Professional Services to Prepare Legal Descriptions for Withdrawal of CRW Service Areas from Areas now Served by Oregon City

8b. Resolution No. 20-25, Authorizing Acquisition of Easement and Easement Interests Through Eminent Domain Related to the Public Water Main on 203 3rd Avenue

8c. Resolution No. 20-29, Declaring an Emergency and Exempting the Barclay Hills Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon Project from Prohibition Against Unlawful Noises on a Temporary Basis

8d. Resolution No. 20-31, Extending the State of Emergency Declaration in Oregon City due to the COVID-19 Pandemic

8e. Minutes of the June 17, 2020 Regular Meeting

8f. Minutes of the July 1, 2020 Regular Meeting

9. COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager

There was no City Manager report.

Commissioners

Commissioners Smith and Lyle Smith were pleased with the Robert Libke Police Facility Ribbon-cutting event that had happened 10/6/2020.

Commissioner McGriff announced a charity marble toss at Citizens Bank on October 21, 2020.

Mayor

10. ADJOURNMENT

Commission President Lyles Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kattie Riggs

Kattie Riggs, City Recorder