



CITY OF OREGON CITY

CITY COMMISSION WORK SESSION - REVISED MINUTES

Commission Chambers, Libke Public Safety Facility, 1234 Linn Ave, Oregon City
Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 8:00 PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE CITY COMMISSION

The Executive Session began immediately after the adjournment of the work session:

- Pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(f): To consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection

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CONVENE WORK SESSION AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Lyles Smith convened the meeting at 8:21 PM.

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

STAFFERS: 7 - City Manager Tony Konkol, Asst. to the City Manager Lisa Oreskovich, City Recorder Jakob Wiley, Interim Community Development Director Aquilla Hurd-Ravich, Parks & Rec. Director Kendall Reid, Finance Director Matt Zook, Library Director Greg Williams

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. List of Future Work Session Agenda Items

Commissioner Marl asked to add an item related to increase access to the City for youth. He suggested implementing a youth commission as a gateway opportunity for young people to become involved. There was discussion on ways the commission can attract student participation.

Commissioner McGriff asked what the next steps were for the Economic Development Strategy. Mr. Konkol indicated the Economic Development staff has been working on the document and will be back to the Commission for a final presentation.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Discussion of Proposed Charter Amendments - to Elect Commissioners by Top Two Vote-Getters Rather than by Position Number, to Eliminate Mayor/Commissioner Term Limits, and to Appoint Planning Commission and Historic Review Board Members by a Majority Vote of the Commission

Tony Konkol, City Manager, provided the staff report. The meeting is to discuss proposed Charter Amendments - to Elect Commissioners by Top Two Vote-Getters Rather than by Position Number, to

Eliminate Mayor/Commissioner Term Limits, and to Appoint Planning Commission and Historic Review Board Members by a Majority Vote of the Commission.

Mayor Lyles Smith suggested that there might not have been clear consensus for eliminating term limits. Commissioner O'Donnell supported eliminating term limits but isn't sure the public will support it.

Commissioner Smith supported keeping the current requirement to take a two-year break after serving for eight years. Commissioner Smith felt the current required two-year break in service is beneficial for the person to reconnect with constituents and decide whether to run again.

Commissioner Marl supported eliminating term limits but felt the public may not support it if it is not communicated correctly. Commissioner O'Donnell commented he supported eliminating term limits from the perspective of providing the City the best leadership possible but felt the public will generally not support the concept. Commissioner McGriff supported the mayor position being limited to two terms.

There was discussion regarding the pros and cons of term limits. There was consensus on changing the wording of a proposed ballot measure on term limits and that prior service as a commissioner for two terms does not prohibit running for mayor.

There was discussion on how many times an individual can be mayor and then be a commissioner and the history of prior elections that lead to the current election process. There was consensus on no term limits and removing the complexities of prospective candidates from serving in multiple position capacities.

Mr. Konkol reviewed the proposed charter provisions for commissioner and mayor positions. The Commissioners, except for Commissioner McGriff, supported referring the questions regarding term limits to the voters as proposed in the memo by City Attorney Kabeiseman.

There was discussion on the powers of the mayor position appointing members of the Planning Commission and Historic Review Board and the language of a proposed ballot measure to change those appointments to be made by the majority of the Commission.

There was discussion on eliminating position numbers and electing the top two candidates in any election with multiple open seats and filling a position vacancy. There was consensus to move forward with language revisions for the ballot measure.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

There was no report by the City Manager.

COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

Due to the Executive Session following this meeting, there were no committee reports.

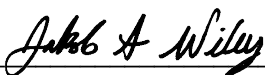
- A. Beaver Creek Employment Area Blue Ribbon Committee - Commissioner Frank O'Donnell**
- B. Citizen Involvement Committee Liaison - Commissioner Adam Marl**
- C. Clackamas County Coordinating Committee (C4) - Appointed: Mayor Rachel Lyles Smith Alternate: Commissioner Adam Marl**
- D. Clackamas County I-205 Tolling Diversion Committee - Appointed: Commissioner Adam Marl Alternate: Commissioner Frank O'Donnell**

- E. **Clackamas Heritage Partners** - *Commissioner Rocky Smith, Jr.*
- F. **Clackamas Water Environment Services Policy Committee** -
Appointed: Commissioner Rocky Smith, Jr.
- G. **Downtown Oregon City Association Board** - *Commissioner Denyse McGriff*
- H. **Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC)** - *Appointed: Mayor Rachel Lyles Smith* *Alternate: Commissioner Denyse McGriff*
- I. **OC 2040 Project Advisory Team** - *Appointed: Commissioners Adam Marl and Denyse McGriff*
- J. **Oregon Governor's Willamette Falls Locks Commission** – *Appointed: Mayor Rachel Lyles Smith*
- K. **Oregon City Tourism Stakeholder's Group** - *Appointed: Commissioners Frank O'Donnell and Rocky Smith, Jr.*
- L. **Oregon City/West Linn Pedestrian and Bicycle Bridge Concept Plan Project Advisory Committee** - *Appointed: Commissioner Denyse McGriff*
- M. **South Fork Water Board (SFWB)** - *Mayor Rachel Lyles Smith, and Commissioners Frank O'Donnell and Rocky Smith, Jr.*
- N. **Willamette Falls and Landings Heritage Area** - *Appointed: Commissioner Denyse McGriff* *Alternate: Commissioner Frank O'Donnell*
- O. **Willamette Falls Legacy Project Liaisons** - *Mayor Rachel Lyles Smith and Commissioners Frank O'Donnell*

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Lyles Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Jakob S. Wiley, City Recorder