

MINUTES

**Eugene City Council
Harris Hall, 125 East 8th Avenue
Eugene, Oregon 97401**

**June 10, 2013
5:30 p.m.**

Councilors Present: George Brown, Betty Taylor, Alan Zelenka (arrived at 5:50 p.m.), George Poling, Mike Clark, Chris Pryor, Claire Syrett, Greg Evans.

Her Honor, Mayor Piercy opened the June 10, 2013, City Council work session.

A. COMMITTEE REPORTS

City councilors provided updates from the Police Commission, Lane Workforce Partnership, and Lane Transit District/EmX. The Harlow Neighbors was also recognized for its selection as the Neighborhood of the Year at the 203 Neighborhoods USA conference.

B. WORK SESSION: Core Campus – Application for Multiple-Unit Property Tax Exemption (MUPTE) for Residential Property Located at 505 East Broadway (The Hub in Eugene)

Community Development Manager Mike Sullivan, and Business Loan Analyst Amanda Flannery-Nobel reviewed information on the MUPTE application and provided updates on recent changes to the application and options to purchase or lease property from the City of Eugene.

Council discussion:

- Student growth rate
- Potential lost revenue
- Competition with other student housing providers
- Current vacancy rates (citywide and near-campus)
- Subsidies for out-of-state developers
- Need, compatibility, financial return/benefit, guarantees

Direction to staff:

- Provide additional information about student vacancy rates.
- Improve incentives and outcomes to gain support.
- Create “If-Then” scenarios if this project is allowed.
- Outline options if application is denied.
- Refine proposal and return with answers to council questions.
- Draft resolution to include details of the guarantees, safeties, agreements, etc.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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