

MINUTES

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

**July 8, 2013
5:30 p.m.**

Councilors Present: George Brown, Betty Taylor, Alan Zelenka, George Poling, Mike Clark, Chris Pryor, Claire Syrett, Greg Evans

Her Honor, Mayor Piercy, convened the July 8, 2013, City Council work session.

A. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilors provided brief updates about the events and activities taking place in various boards, commissions and committees.

- Lane Council of Governments adopted its budget; things are going well.
- Human Rights Commission is considering code language to protect transgendered individuals.
- Kudos to the Eugene Track Club for sponsoring the Butte to Butte run.
- Peace Health downtown will be moving the Johnson Unit.
- Sustainability Commission is planning its work plan retreat; carbon pricing bill and internal climate planning efforts underway.

B. WORK SESSION and ACTION:

An Ordinance Concerning the Eugene Water & Electric Board Downtown Riverfront Property (City Files MA 12-1, RA 12-1, CA 12-4, Z 12-6 and WG 12-4)

Senior Planner Gabe Flock reviewed the EWEB Master Plan and its elements, including the policies, code amendments, form-based code components, zone change needs and Willamette Greenway Permit for all development on that site.

Council Discussion:

- City's investment in bringing project to fruition should be considered.
- Incentives for developer should be identified.
- The possible effects of eliminating the Riverfront Urban Renewal District should be examined.
- There are concerns about form-based code being too prescriptive.
- The Willamette Greenway and riverfront should remain in public hands.

MOTION: Councilor Poling, seconded by Councilor Pryor, moved to adopt Council Bill 5095, an ordinance concerning the EWEB Downtown Riverfront Property.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Taylor, seconded by Councilor Brown, moved to postpone the vote to July 22, 2013. **FAILED** 4:5, councilors Clark, Poling, Pryor and Syrett opposed, Mayor broke the tie in opposition.

MAIN MOTION: PASSED 6:2, councilors Brown and Taylor opposed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Mortensen
Deputy City Recorder