

# MINUTES

**Eugene City Council  
Harris Hall, 125 East 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Eugene, Oregon 97401**

**October 21, 2013  
5:30 p.m.**

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

Mayor Kitty Piercy opened the October 21, 2013, City Council work session.

## **A. Work Session: Bethel Community Park/YMCA Project Update**

City of Eugene's Emily Proudfoot and Neil Björklund gave an update on the Bethel Community Park.

### **Council Discussion/Questions:**

- Bethel is a fast-growing area that needs additional services.
- Who will pay for the construction and ongoing maintenance of a new facility?
- Current budget issues threaten services at both branch libraries.
- Would the YMCA pay to lease the land from the City?
- Transportation issues; Avalon and Legacy streets are not built for heavy traffic.
- Important to engage LTD in discussion about service provision to area.
- Goal should be to encourage use of alternate modes to access facility.
- Will parking be provided for general park use, as well as for YMCA patrons?
- Will a traffic impact analysis be required?
- If only YMCA members can use the facility, then it is not a community center.
- What is the cost for a 10,000 sq. foot facility to a 65,000 sq. foot facility with a pool?
- What are the land use restrictions around the wetlands?

## **B. Work Session: Sustainability Commission Work Plan and Annual Report**

Sustainability Liaison Babe O'Sullivan and Sustainability Commission members Kathi Jaworski and Steve Newcomb gave an update on the commission's work plan and annual report.

### **Council Discussion/Questions:**

- Very thoughtful and focused group; new members to the commission are a great addition.
- Good work plan but could be too ambitious.
- Would like to discuss Environmental Justice items, including the issue of emissions in vulnerable communities.
- There are some concerns and skepticism about the effectiveness of the TBL tool.
- It's important to engage neighbors in discussion about 20-minute neighborhoods.
- Inform Budget Committee about work the commission is doing and its value.
- Analysis of issues using the TBL will be incorporated into Agenda Item Summaries.
- Is regulation of pesticides and herbicides within the commission's scope of work?
- Would like to see issues related to bee population investigated by commission.

**MOTION:** Councilor Poling seconded by Councilor Pryor, moved to approve the Sustainably Commission FY14 work plan.

A motion by Councilor Clark to accept rather than approve the work plan died for lack of a second.

**VOTE: PASSED** 7:1, Councilor Clark opposed.

The meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Chuck Crockett

Chuck Crockett  
Deputy City Recorder

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Her Honor, Mayor Piercy opened the October 21, 2013, City Council Public Hearing.

**1. PUBLIC HEARING: Ordinance Adopting Amended Hazardous Substance Tracking Instructions for Reports Due Beginning April 1, 2014, and Removing One Hazardous Substance from the List of Reportable Chemicals**

No one testified on the matter.

**Council Discussion/Questions:**

- More information on the hazardous substance being removed from the list of reportable chemicals was requested.

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Chuck Crockett

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