

MINUTES

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

**April 30, 2014
12:00 p.m.**

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

Mayor Piercy called the April 30, 2014, City Council work session to order.

A. WORK SESSION: Bethel Community Park/YMCA Lease

Parks and Open Space Planning Manager Neil Björklund and Recreation Services Director Craig Smith introduced the topic and provided background information.

Council discussion

- Great opportunity for Bethel area.
- Like the idea of a library space; adequate parking will be needed.
- This type of public/private partnership is promising.
- Need to continue to offer resources like Echo Hollow Pool.
- Conversations with LTD will be important.

MOTION and VOTE: Councilor Pryor, seconded by Councilor Syrett, moved to direct the City Manager to draft and execute a long-term lease with the Eugene Y consistent with the lease terms in Attachment A and the map of lease area in Attachment B, as corrected. **PASSED 8:0**

B. WORK SESSION: Metropolitan Wastewater Management Commission (MWMC) Update

Wastewater Division Director Michelle Cahill and Matt Stauder from MWMC gave a brief PowerPoint presentation on the history of MWMC and an update of the program.

Council discussion

- Wastewater treatment is fundamental to civilization, protection of natural resources.
- Rates reasonable compared with other comparable markets
- Good outreach and public relations efforts with community and students.
- Education on poplar farm and climate resiliency is important.

The work session adjourned at 1:28p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chuck Crockett
Deputy City Recorder