

MINUTES

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

**July 29, 2015
12:00 p.m.**

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

Councilors Absent: George Brown, Alan Zelenka

Mayor Piercy opened the July 29, 2015, City Council work session.

A. ACTION: Interim Appointments to the Citizen Planning Committee of the Whilamut Natural Area of Alton Baker Park

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Taylor, moved to appoint Nancy Bray to the Citizen Planning Committee of the Whilamut Natural Area of Alton Baker Park for an unexpired term ending on June 30, 2016. **PASSED 5:0**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Taylor, moved to appoint Erin Walker to the Citizen Planning Committee of the Whilamut Natural Area of Alton Baker Park for an unexpired term ending June 30, 2017. **PASSED 5:0**

B. WORK SESSION: Council Workshop Follow-Up

Jon Ruiz, Mia Cariaga, Kurt Corey, Pete Kerns, Glenn Klein, Sarah Medary, Randall Groves and Rene Grube of the Executive Team gave a PowerPoint presentation and led a discussion on the council workshop topics of homelessness and economic prosperity.

Council discussion on homelessness:

- How the City and City Council communicate about this issue has a lot to do with how it is received in the community.
- Need to look into ways to help with impacts on businesses.
- Consider liability issues that could come up if social service agencies are sent to help.
- Support Operation 365/Housing First models; work with other jurisdictions to coordinate efforts.

Council discussion on economic prosperity:

- Care should be taken to avoid duplication of efforts.
- Need to work cooperatively with other jurisdictions and organizations.
- Add education as an important area of focus and impact.
- More conversations with the UO needed to help with development.
- Work on telling the City's story; take communication efforts to the next level.

The meeting adjourned at 1:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chuck Crockett

