

MINUTES

Eugene City Council
McNutt Room—City Hall

March 18, 1996
6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Tim Laue, Laurie Swanson Gribskov, Shawn Boles, Barbara Keller, Nancy Nathanson, Pat Farr.

ABSENT: Jim Torrey, Kevin Hornbuckle

I. INTERVIEW FINALISTS FOR THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

The council reviewed the prepared questions for the Human Rights Commission candidates and, given the number of questions, agreed to combine questions 1 and 2, and to ask questions 3, 4, 6, and 7.

The council welcomed Susan Cox.

Mr. Laue explained that absent councilors would receive copies of the meeting tape prior to a council work session to select candidates.

Ms. Cox was asked the following series of questions:

1. What do you feel are the most important issues facing members of vulnerable communities in Eugene? What are your ideas to address those issues?
2. What do you perceive to be the role of the Human Rights Commission in assisting to solve those issues?
3. Let's talk about you now. Can you tell us about your experience working with human rights issues and protected classes? What particular skills did you bring to those situations?
4. Please give an example of a conflict situation you've been in and tell us how you resolved it.
5. Tell us about a situation where you've worked to bring a wide range of individuals and interests together for a common goal.

Mr. Laue thanked Ms. Cox and indicated that the council would contact her with its decision. He thanked her for her interest in the position of Human Rights Commissioner, and invited her to continue to apply for positions on City advisory groups.

II. INTERVIEW FINALISTS FOR THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

The council conducted Mary Bentsen's interview by conference call. The council welcomed Ms. Bentsen.

Mr. Laue explained that absent councilors would receive copies of the meeting tape prior to a council work session to select candidates.

Ms. Bentsen was asked the following series of questions:

1. Why have you applied for a position on the Budget Committee?
2. What do you feel is the most important issue facing the City in the next year? In the next five years?
3. Discuss your relevant training and experience in working on financial issues that would enable you to function as an effective member of the Budget Committee.
4. Discuss any experience you have had serving on an advisory group to a policy-making body.
5. Are there specific services, parts of the City organization, or financial initiatives that you are particularly interested in pursuing as a Budget Committee member?
6. What three things can the City do to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of service delivery?

Mr. Laue thanked Ms. Bentsen and indicated that the council would contact her with its decision. He thanked her for her interest in the Budget Committee, and invited her to continue to apply for positions on City advisory groups.

The council briefly shared impressions of the candidate.

The council welcomed Paul Holbo.

Mr. Laue explained that absent councilors would receive copies of the meeting tape prior to a council work session to select candidates.

Mr. Holbo was asked the same questions asked of Ms. Bentsen.

Mr. Laue thanked Mr. Holbo and indicated that the council would contact him with its decision. He thanked him for his interest in the Budget Committee, and invited him to continue to apply for positions on City advisory groups.

Councilors shared their impressions of the candidate.

The council welcomed Eleanor Mulder.

Mr. Laue explained that absent councilors would receive copies of the meeting tape prior to a council work session to select candidates.

Ms. Mulder was asked the same questions asked of Ms. Bentsen and Mr. Holbo.

Mr. Laue thanked Ms. Mulder and indicated that the council would contact her with its decision. He thanked her for her interest in the Budget Committee, and invited her to continue to apply for positions on City advisory groups.

Councilors shared their impression of the candidate.

The council welcomed Craig Hawkins.

Mr. Laue explained that absent councilors would receive copies of the meeting tape prior to a council work session to select candidates.

Mr. Hawkins was asked the same questions asked of Ms. Bentsen, Mr. Holbo, and Ms. Mulder.

Mr. Laue thanked Mr. Hawkins and indicated that the council would contact him with its decision. He thanked him for his interest in the Budget Committee, and invited him to continue to apply for positions on City advisory groups.

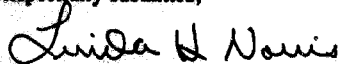
Councilors shared their impressions of the candidate.

Mr. Boles advocated for a discussion at the next trimester work planning session of how Budget Committee members were selected. Other councilors present agreed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

(Recorded by Kimberly Young)
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Respectfully submitted,



Linda Norris
City Manager pro tem