

## MINUTES

Eugene City Council  
McNutt Room--City Hall

October 18, 1995  
5:30 p.m.

**COUNCILORS PRESENT:** Tim Laue, Barbara Keller, Pat Farr, Kevin Hornbuckle, Shawn Boles, Nancy Nathanson, Laurie Swanson Gribskov (after 5:40 p.m.), Jim Torrey (after 6:55 p.m.)

Her Honor Mayor Ruth Bascom called the adjourned meeting of October 11, 1995 to order.

Mayor Bascom invited a representative from the Eugene/Irkutsk Sister City Committee to speak. The representative told the council about a performance at the Hult Center by a theater company from Irkutsk, and encouraged councilors to attend the performance.

Ms. Nathanson moved, seconded by Mr. Laue, to adopt the agenda as written, the motion passed unanimously, 6:0.

### I. TRIMESTER WORK PLAN

Mr. Laue introduced the work plan items, suggesting that councilors work through each goal area by 1) reviewing the trimester responses, 2) discussing strategies and time lines, and 3) discussing work activity changes and possible additions.

Ms. Swanson Gribskov joined the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Mr. Laue asked the council to use its number consensus voting scale to indicate: 1) strong support, 2) support, 3) agree to go along, 4) want to be heard, or 5) oppose.

### PUBLIC SAFETY GOAL

The council then reviewed trimester responses with David Whitlow, Department of Public Safety (DPS) Director.

### Department of Public Safety Budget Review

Mr. Laue suggested dropping analysis of the DPS budget due to impacts of analyzing the potential Sheriff's levy and timing issues. He suggested the council reconsider this work activity at the spring 1996 trimester session.

### Citizen Patrols

Council discussion of citizen patrols revealed concern about costs and a desire to support patrols initiated by citizens, rather than for the City to initiate citizen patrols. The council agreed to hold this item over to the summer trimester session, directing staff to report back in the interim if the situation changes.

### Neighborhood Transportation Program

Mr. Laue said this item should be flagged since emergency vehicle access had emerged as a problem with speed humps.

### Citizen Police Academy

Ms. Nathanson said she was pleased with the many opportunities on the list. She suggested that item 7 should be removed to reflect earlier discussion. She also suggested that neighborhoods could work cooperatively on item 4 to eliminate the awkwardness of neighbors reporting on neighbors.

Mayor Bascom asked whether the schedule for academies was too ambitious, noting that the quality was more important than the quantity. Ms. Swanson Gribskov suggested enlisting the help of the United Way volunteer coordination service and the Human Rights Commission support system.

Mr. Hornbuckle objected to employing people without pay.

Mr. Whitlow told the council that the thrust of the volunteer program was prevention, adding that volunteers had expressed particular interest in numbers 1, 3 and 9 on the list.

Ms. Nathanson suggested directing the department to move ahead providing as many opportunities as possible, focusing on 1, 3, 9, 12 and 4. The majority of the council agreed.

Mr. Laue asked for items to flag under the Public Safety strategies.

Mr. Boles flagged: 1) gang prevention and education, 2) community policing implementation, and 3) the police forum, stressing the need for evaluations for those activities. He also said the timing of the community policing implementation needed to be addressed, adding that it would be helpful to add more structure to the database.

Ms. Keller flagged crime-free housing, stating that it should be integrated into the housing code discussion.

Mr. Laue asked for additions to the public safety strategies.

Mr. Boles suggested adding interjurisdictional coordination of public safety under community policing. Mr. Farr suggested beginning discussions of a third

substation in the Bethel area.

Mr. Laue said the council would return to the adds later.

#### **GOVERNMENT GOAL**

##### Summary Minutes

The council agreed that the only groups requiring detailed minutes to maintain records and legislative intent were the City Council, the Planning Commission and the Budget Committee. By consensus, the council agreed to move to summary minutes for all other groups.

Ms. Keller expressed a desire to use the monetary savings to reimburse minutes recorders equitably.

##### Human Rights Commission (HRC) Work Adjustments

Ms. Swanson Gribskov said that the response document did not accurately reflect the flavor of her discussion with the HRC. The council agreed to postpone this issue until the council's joint session with the HR on October 23.

##### Sunset the Citizen Oversight Subcommittee (COS) of the Budget Committee

Mr. Laue described the discussion of this issue at the COS, stating that the group saw its work as ongoing, rather than project-by-project.

Ms. Keller told the council this group had been created as a short-term committee, and supported the idea of sunseting it so that the council could re-evaluate what it wants the Budget Committee to do. She also suggested leaving the opportunity open to convene the COS for specific projects, with specific starting and ending dates, charge, and budget. The council agreed.

##### Community Dialogue Pilot Project

Mr. Boles expressed concern about this project, including the lack of link to the Citizen Involvement Committee (CIC), the Urban Lab, and the need for the tool kit expansion to stay with the CIC. He also said he wanted to see evaluation criteria and sign-off by the CIC on this project.

Ms. Swanson Gribskov said that although she was appreciative of Mr. Laue's willingness to work on the pilot, she was cautious about launching another initiative.

The council agreed to defer this item to the next trimester session.

Mr. Torrey joined the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

### Urban Lab

Mr. Boles asked for a list of projects, locus of initiation, cost breakdowns, and partner splits under the agreement. He expressed concern that, although the purpose is to inform policy makers, the activities take place at the staff level. Mr. Hornbuckle and Ms. Keller agreed.

The council agreed to ask staff to bring back the requested information at the next trimester session.

### Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Update

Mr. Boles flagged the following items:

- ▶ City Council Automation, which he said needed a checkpoint for evaluation.
- ▶ McNutt Room Technology, which he said should be integrated into the Council Committee on Automation's work.

Mr. Torrey asked to see a copy of the charge of that committee. Ms. Keller requested the charges for all council subcommittees. Mr. Laue suggested the CCA charge come back to the council reflecting the change to add the McNutt Room technology item.

- ▶ Work Activities Database. Mr. Boles said fields for components, status of work activities, and budget needed to be added.

Mr. Swanson Gribkov disagreed, stating that the level of detail was not necessary for the policy-making body.

- ▶ City Legislative Coordinator. Mr. Boles noted that the activity of the council officers appointing members of the IGR was missing from the time line.
- ▶ CIP Update Review. Mr. Boles said the council needed a policy framework before updating the CIP.

Mr. Laue asked for additions under the government goal.

Mr. Hornbuckle suggested adding electoral democracy under strategy 1. Ms. Keller asked to add system-wide analysis and intergovernmental work required for criminal justice system funding. Mr. Torrey asked to add an analysis and evaluation of the County Road Fund disbursement.

The council recessed at 7:20 p.m., reconvening at 7:30 p.m.

### HOUSING GOAL

#### Zoning Code Review: Backyard Camping

Mr. Laue suggested postponing discussion of this item until a scheduled work

session. Ms. Norris noted that there were several issues involved, including parks issues and a legislative bill regarding public property.

Ms. Keller noted that the zoning code review was a comprehensive look at the issue; however, the short-term issue is the lack of a car camp, which Ms. Keller expressed a desire to address.

#### Housing Code Development

Ms. Swanson Gribkov expressed a desire to postpone action on the housing code until after the utility tax vote to avoid confusion. Ms. Keller said that council direction to look for fees to pay for this program was missing from the response. She also argued that having a Departmental Advisory Committee (DAC) would not necessarily result in a higher cost implementation as indicated in the memo.

The council discussed the alternatives listed in the memo, with Ms. Nathanson suggesting the DAC could be incorporated into either alternative. Mr. Hornbuckle argued that the review group should be a council committee, rather than a DAC, since the issue was political and renters might not have a voice with the DAC structure. Mr. Boles argued that adequate protections exist through the CIC process.

The council expressed a preference for option 1, starting with the State law, using the word "adapt" instead of "adopt," and adding a DAC to the process. The council also requested copies of the materials sent to the CIC when the committee is formed.

No other items were flagged or added.

#### TRANSPORTATION GOAL

##### Transit Oriented District for Willow Creek

The council agreed with staff recommendation to delay to January 1996.

##### City Employee Single-Occupant Vehicles (SOVs) Use and TDM Pilot Projects

Mr. Boles requested a measurable goal for City employees.

##### Hierarchy of Modes

The council discussed possibilities for increasing bicycle "friendliness," including allowing bicyclists to yield at stop signs. Terry Smith, Public Works Deputy Director, told the council that the bicycle commission had been divided over this issue, with particular concern about safety hazards. Mr. Smith said staff could not recommend implementing the suggestions.

Ms. Nathanson commented that any discussion of bicycle ordinance changes

should include discussion of pedestrian safety.

The council agreed to revisit this issue, including the issue of ordinance versus relaxed enforcement as possible solutions.

Mr. Laue asked the council for any flagged items.

Ms. Keller emphasized that there was not unanimous support on the council for the West Eugene Parkway. Mr. Boles asked for a status report, including changes in projects.

There were no additions to this item.

Mr. Boles, seconded by Ms. Keller, to add 10 minutes to this item, to be taken from the debrief. The motion passed unanimously, 8:0.

#### LAND USE GOAL

##### Growth Management Study Enhancements

Mr. Laue noted this item was for information only.

##### Central Industrial Area Redevelopment

The council agreed to discuss again.

##### System Development Charge Administrative Authority

This item was scheduled for a work session in January.

Mr. Boles suggested that the SDC fee study be integrated into the growth management study. Ms. Keller agreed.

##### Delta Ponds Acquisition

Mr. Torrey reported that this item had been discussed by the Board of County Commissioners, and expressed agreement to transfer the property.

Ms. Mathanson said this was a valuable resource, but expressed concern about costs preventing other projects.

There were no additions to this goal.

#### II. GLENWOOD JURISDICTIONAL ISSUES

Planning Director Jan Childs introduced the item, noting the council ballot results had indicated first choice votes as follows: three votes for considering this issue within the context of a Metro Plan Update, three votes for agreeing to consider the transfer after review of due diligence study conducted interjurisdictionally, and two votes for allowing Springfield to

conduct the study.

The council then discussed the options at length, with Ms. Keller and Mr. Boles stating that this issue was interconnected with other Metro Plan update issues, and therefore, should be addressed in that context. Ms. Swanson Gribskov and Mr. Torrey expressed a desire to move ahead, not putting off a decision to a date uncertain Metro Plan Update. Mr. Laue added that there were many interjurisdictional issues to consider, including public safety, County Road funds, and a possible convention center. He also reminded the council that this issue was initiated by the residents.

Mr. Boles suggested that option 4 might be a possible compromise.

Mr. Boles moved, seconded by Ms. Keller to refer the request to the Metropolitan Policy Committee to determine the scope of additional study that would be required and process for reviewing Springfield's request for transfer of jurisdiction from Eugene to Springfield.

Ms. Swanson Gribskov suggested delaying action until costs are known. Ms. Nathanson supported the idea of postponing to the earliest possible date.

Ms. Keller moved the previous question. The motion to vote immediately carried 7:1, with Ms. Swanson Gribskov voting in opposition.

The main motion carried 6:2, with Ms. Nathanson and Ms. Swanson Gribskov voting in opposition.

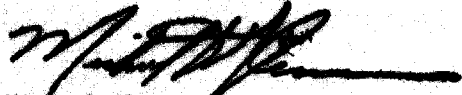
Ms. Childs told the council she would try to schedule this for the Metropolitan Policy Committee in November.

Ms. Keller called for the order of the day. The vote was unanimous, 8:0.

The council agreed to complete this agenda by adding one-half hour to Monday's agenda, taking from the Sheriff's levy discussion. Ms. Keller requested that the additions mentioned be included in the packet.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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City Manager

(Recorded by Hannah Bradford)