

MINUTES

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

March 11, 2015
12:00 p.m.

Councilors Present: George Brown, Alan Zelenka, George Poling, *Claire Syrett via phone*, Chris Pryor

Councilors Absent: Betty Taylor, Mike Clark, Greg Evans

Mayor Piercy opened the March 11, 2015, City Council work session.

A. WORK SESSION: Eugene Water & Electric Board Riverfront Redevelopment Project Update

Jay Namyet from the University of Oregon Foundation, shared the long-term vision for the redevelopment project. Community Development Division Manager Denny Braud gave a PowerPoint presentation on the progress and proposed steps of the project.

Council discussion:

- Unique geography and history of site demands unique redevelopment.
- Triple bottom line analysis should be incorporated into all planning.
- In addition to urban renewal funds, identify other resources the City can contribute.
- Think about active uses of the river when planning.

B. WORK SESSION: Legislative Update

Intergovernmental Relations Manager Lisa Gardner gave an update on bills being introduced and considered at the State that the City has interest in and is currently following.

Council discussion:

- More long-term funding strategies need for continued rail service.
- State's action on sick leave legislation will determine when the City's sick leave ordinance takes effect.
- Important for legislature to hear from public that rail is important.

The meeting adjourned at 1:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chuck Crockett
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