

MINUTES

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

April 22, 2015
12:00 p.m.

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

Councilors Absent: Greg Evans

Mayor Piercy opened the April 22, 2015, City Council work session.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Clark, moved to remove the March 9, 2015, motion from the table. **PASSED 7:0**

Council discussion:

- There are social, cultural, and economic advantages to reopening the Willamette Falls Locks.

VOTE ON ORIGINAL MOTION: Move to adopt a resolution supporting the reopening of the Willamette Falls Locks. **PASSED 7:0**

A. Action: A Resolution Supporting a Carbon Pricing Policy for the State of Oregon

MOTION: Councilor Zelenka, seconded by Councilor Taylor, moved that council adopt the Carbon Pricing Policy Resolution.

Council discussion:

- For State to reach greenhouse gas emission goals we need a carbon tax.
- Some areas are cause for concern

MOTION TO AMEND AND VOTE: Councilor Clark, seconded by Councilor Poling, moved to amend the resolution as follows:

Section 1

(sub a) The Council further requests a cap of pricing at \$100 per ton of carbon.

(sub b) The Council further requests that net proceeds of the tax be proportionately returned to Oregon cities to prepare for the effects of climate change.

FAILED 2:5, Councilors Poling and Clark in support.

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION: PASSED 5:2, Councilors Poling and Clark opposed.

B. WORK SESSION: Report to City Council from Police Auditor

Police Auditor Mark Gissiner gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Eugene Use of Force Policy and went over 2014 Use of Force data.

Council discussion:

- Eugene use-of-force incidents are fewer than similar communities in the nation.
- Clear expectations on use-of-force policies helpful.

- Deeper level of accountability and scrutiny of use-of-force incidents is yielding positive results.
- Function and job of Police Auditor is working and helping.
- Writing an op-ed about how the City is doing on this issue recommended.

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chuck Crockett
Deputy City Recorder