

MINUTES

Eugene City Council Work Session Eugene, Oregon 97401

February 13, 2023
5:30 p.m.

Councilors Present: Matt Keating, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Randy Groves, Lyndsie Leech and Emily Semple

Councilors Absent: Alan Zelenka and Greg Evans

Mayor Vinis opened the February 13, 2023, work session of the Eugene City Council in a hybrid format at 101 W 10th Avenue, Eugene OR 97401.

1. **WORK SESSION and POSSIBLE ACTION: Parks and Recreation Funding**

City Manager, Sarah Medary, introduced Public Works Director, Matt Rodrigues, who presented the information on proposed Parks and Recreation funding options.

Councilor Discussion:

- Councilor Clark – stated that due to the increased cost, the new levy is less likely to be approved by voters; noted concern over how recent Council decisions may impact voter approval of this levy.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Groves, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to adopt Resolution No. 5372, A Resolution Calling a City Election on May 16, 2023, for the Purpose of Referring to the Legal Electors of the City of Eugene a Measure Authorizing a Five-Year Local Option Levy for the Funding of Operations and Maintenance of Parks, Trails, Natural Areas, Waterways and Recreation Facilities, including Increased Security Measures and Illicit Activity Cleanup. **VOTE: 5:1 PASSED** (opposed by Councilor Clark)

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Groves, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to direct the City Manager to prepare a neutral information tabloid for the local option levy, and request that the City Manager include the cost for the tabloid on the supplemental budget in June. **VOTE: 6:0 PASSED**

2. **POSSIBLE ACTION: Approval of Motions Relating to Production of a Voters' Pamphlet for the May 16, 2023, Election**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Groves, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to direct the City Manager to publish and distribute a local voters' pamphlet for the special election scheduled for May 16, 2023, on a levy to fund parks and recreation, and request the supplemental budget in June

include appropriations from the General Fund council contingency to cover the costs to produce that voters' pamphlet. **VOTE: 6:0 PASSED**

Councilor Discussion:

- Mayor Vinis – stated that she had selected Councilor Groves, Keating, and Yeh as volunteers to help produce a voters' pamphlet statement.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Groves, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to appoint Councilors Keating, Yeh, and Groves to the voters' pamphlet proponent committee for the parks and recreation levy ballot measure. **VOTE: 6:0 PASSED**

Mayor Vinis adjourned the meeting at 5:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Cherish Bradshaw)
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