

MINUTES

Eugene City Council and Eugene Urban Renewal Agency Hybrid Meeting Eugene, Oregon 97401

June 27, 2022
7:30 p.m.

Councilors Present: Emily Semple, Matt Keating, Alan Zelenka, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Randy Groves, Claire Syrett, Greg Evans

Mayor Vinis opened the June 27, 2022, meeting of the Eugene City Council in hybrid format at 101 W. 10th Avenue, Suite 114, Eugene, OR 97401.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

In honor of Independence Day on July 4th, representatives from the League of Women Voters of Lane County led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

2. CEREMONIAL MATTERS

In honor of Independence Day on July 4th, representatives from the League of Women Voters of Lane County recited the Bill of Rights.

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

- Councilor Syrett – expressed frustration about the Supreme Court ruling to overturn Roe v. Wade; encouraged people to support programs that provide reproductive healthcare.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR 1

A. Approval of City Council Minutes

- May 16, 2022, Work Session
- May 16, 2022, Public Hearing

B. Approval of City Council Tentative Agenda

C. Approval of Motion Correcting Planning Commission Appointments

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to approve the items on Consent Calendar 1. **PASSED 8:0**

5. PUBLIC FORUM

1. Maria G – stated concerns over the police response to abortion-related protests.
2. Sam Tyler – spoke in favor of building electrification.
3. Thomas Newman – spoke in favor of public transportation and middle housing.
4. Dennis Reynolds – spoke in favor of building electrification.
5. Richard Locke – praised the police response to protest; condemned on-street camping.

6. Carolyn Partridge – spoke in favor of electrification and climate change response.
7. Adrienne Fainman – discussed sustainable building and cost concerns.
8. Todd Boyle – shared concern over low-income housing and requested related data.
9. David Igl – shared concern over the historical representation of former residents.
10. Betzi Hitz – spoke in favor of building electrification.
11. Ellen Furstner – shared concern over the displacement of unhoused residents.
12. Ethan Klein – spoke in favor of building electrification.
13. Chuck Areford – spoke in favor of building electrification.
14. Paige Hopkins – spoke in favor of building electrification.
15. Kara Parker – spoke in favor of building electrification.
16. Melody DeStefano – spoke in favor of building electrification.
17. Eloise Navarro – spoke in favor of building electrification.
18. Abigail Gravatt – spoke in favor of building electrification.
19. Maddie Reese – spoke in favor of building electrification.
20. Lin Woodrich – spoke in favor of biking and pedestrian projects for the Bethel area.
21. Linda Kelley – spoke in favor of building electrification and electric lawn equipment.
22. Fred Mallery – requested consideration of Electric Vehicle chargers in future work.
23. Allen Hancock – spoke in favor of using bond funding for active transportation.
24. Justin Sandoval – spoke in favor of using bond funding for active transportation.
25. Steve Bade – spoke in favor of using bond funding for active transportation.
26. Jacob Trewe – spoke in favor of renter protections and building electrification.
27. Kathy Ging – expressed concern over total electric infrastructure.
28. Tomoko Sekiguchi – spoke in favor of building electrification.
29. William Smith – expressed concern about wireless safety.
30. Joshua Kern – expressed concerns over vaccines for children and wireless radiation.
31. Aya Cockram – spoke in favor of electrification and active transportation funding.

6. PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION – Resolution Adopting a Supplemental Budget; Making Appropriations for the City of Eugene for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2021 and Ending June 30, 2022.

Mayor Vinis opened the Public Hearing.

1. John Barofsky – spoke in favor of the proposed supplemental budget; discussed funding options.

Mayor Vinis closed the Public Hearing.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Zelenka – clarified that Eugene Water & Electric Board’s (EWEB) Contribution In Lieu of Taxes goes into the budget’s general fund; noted that the general fund is limited, and rededicating funds would cause cuts elsewhere in the general fund.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to adopt a resolution adopting a supplemental budget; making appropriations for the City of Eugene for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022. **PASSED 8:0**

7. PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION – A Resolution Adopting the Budget, Making Appropriations, Determining, Levying and Categorizing the Annual Ad Valorem Property Tax Levy for the City of Eugene for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2022 and Ending June 30, 2023; A Resolution Electing to Receive State Revenue Sharing Funds Pursuant to Section 221.770 of Oregon Revised Statutes; and a Resolution Certifying That the City of Eugene Provides the Municipal Services Required by Oregon Revised Statutes Section 221.760 in Order to Receive State Shared Revenues.

Mayor Vinis opened the Public Hearing.

1. Luke Barnard – expressed opposition to the funding allocated to the police.
2. Ethan Klein – expressed opposition to the funding allocated to the police.
3. John Barofsky – spoke in favor of the proposed budget; noted deviation from policy.
4. Jacob Trewe – expressed opposition to the funding allocated to the police.
5. Kevin Cronin – expressed opposition to the funding allocated to the police.

Mayor Vinis closed the Public Hearing.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to approve a resolution electing to receive state revenue sharing funds pursuant to section 221.770 of Oregon Revised Statutes. **PASSED 8:0**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to approve a resolution certifying that the City of Eugene provides the municipal services required by Oregon Revised Statutes section 221.760 in order to receive state shared revenues. **PASSED 8:0**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to approve a resolution adopting the budget, making appropriations, determining, levying and categorizing the annual ad valorem property tax levy for the City of Eugene for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023. **PASSED 8:0**

Mayor Vinis closed the meeting of the Eugene City Council and convened a meeting of the Eugene Urban Renewal Agency.

8. PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION – A Resolution of the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Eugene Adopting the Budget, Making Appropriations, and Declaring the Amount of Tax to Be Certified for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2022 and Ending June 30, 2023.

Mayor Vinis opened the Public Hearing.

1. John Barofsky – spoke in favor of approving the proposed budget.

Mayor Vinis closed the Public Hearing.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Syrett – stated EWEB’s increased Contribution In Lieu of Taxes has been factored into the Fiscal Year 23 Budget projections.
- Councilor Zelenka –reemphasized that reallocating general fund money would still require cutting other expenses in the general fund; stated that rental weatherization funding has been an ongoing issue.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to approve a resolution of the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Eugene adopting the budget, making appropriations, and declaring the amount of tax to be certified for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and Ending June 30, 2023. **PASSED 8:0**

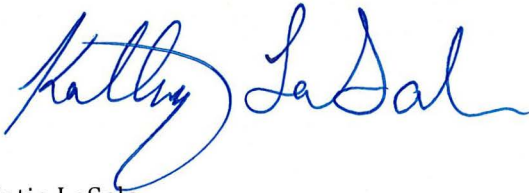
Mayor Vinis closed the meeting of the Eugene Urban Renewal Agency and reconvened a meeting of the Eugene City Council.

9. ACTION: An Ordinance Concerning Public Contracts and Amending Sections 2.1400, 2.1405, 2.1415, 2.1420, 2.1425, 2.1430 and 2.1451 of the Eugene Code, 1971.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to adopt the ordinance concerning public contracts and amending sections 2.1400, 2.1405, 2.1415, 2.1420, 2.1425, 2.1430 and 2.1451 of the Eugene Code, 1971. **PASSED 8:0**

Mayor Vinis adjourned the meeting at 9:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Olivia Clark)

Link to the webcast of this City Council meeting [here](#).