

# MINUTES

**Eugene City Council  
Harris Hall, 125 East 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Eugene, Oregon 97401**

**February 24, 2014  
7:30 p.m.**

**Councilors Present:** George Brown, Betty Taylor, George Poling, Mike Clark, Chris Pryor, Claire Syrett, Greg Evans

**Councilors Absent:** Alan Zelenka

Mayor Piercy opened the February 24, 2014, City Council meeting.

## 1. PUBLIC FORUM

1. Gordon Levitt, supported the Climate Recovery Ordinance presented by Our Children's Trust.
2. Meg Ward, supported the proposed Climate Recovery Ordinance.
3. Julia Olson, supported the Climate Recovery Ordinance and environmental protection.
4. Deb Frisch, said she is unhappy about the City's purchase of Civic Stadium.
5. Sue Sierralupé, provided an update from Occupy Medical, noting a shortage of doctors.
6. Jerry Smith, urged more shelter and more mental health care for homeless people.
7. Michael Carrigan, thanked the City for its work on Whoville and relocation attempts.
8. Azra Khalidi, requested three traffic lights: one downtown and two in South Eugene.
9. Bob Brown, said the City should support both wet and dry rest stop options.
10. Brenda Brainard, said illegal fireworks are dangerous; supported enforcement and outreach.
11. Kelsey Moore, said she wants a safe Willamette Street with options for all modes and ages.
12. Mark Robinowitz, said climate and environmental issues need attention.
13. David Nelkin, submitted Willamette Street crash statistics; supported current design.
14. Katherine Lavine, said Willamette Street needs to be safer for all modes.
15. Carol Seaton, supported emergency access to all apartments/houses for 1<sup>st</sup> responders.
16. Jean Stacey, said homeless shelters are lacking, Eugene is worst of U.S. cities its size.
17. Marina Hajek, advocated for Willamette Street option #3 with bike lanes.
18. Lisa Arkin, advocated for pesticide-free parks for healthier mothers and children.
19. Carla Hervelt, urged the council to approve the resolution for pesticide-free parks.

## 2. CONSENT CALENDAR

**MOTION AND VOTE:** Councilor Pryor, seconded by Councilor Syrett, moved to adopt the Consent Calendar. **PASSED 7:0.**

## 3. ACTION: An Ordinance Extending the Sunset Date of the Permitted Overnight Sleeping ("Rest Stop") Pilot Program Adopted by Ordinance No. 20517

Council discussion included:

1. Identify options and alternatives to rest stops prior to October 1 sunset date.
2. Identify benchmarks City will use to evaluate efficacy of the program, including public health and public safety.

3. Clarify the number of people using the rest stops.
4. Clarify Council goals regarding homelessness and shelters as starting point for future improvements.
5. Partner with the County and Human Services Commission to address the array of homelessness issues, including mental health, addiction, loss of income and medical needs.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** Councilor Pryor, seconded by Councilor Syrett, moved to adopt Council Bill 5109 extending the sunset date of Ordinance No. 20517 to October 1, 2014.  
**PASSED 7:0.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Beth Forrest  
City Recorder