

MINUTES

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

February 22, 2016
5:30 p.m.

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

Councilors Absent: Greg Evans

Mayor Piercy opened the February 22, 2016, City Council Work Session.

A WORK SESSION: Introduction to a Science-Based Greenhouse Gas Target

Climate and Energy Analyst Matt McRae and Portland State University Professor Dr. Andrew Rice gave a PowerPoint presentation discussing carbon budget concepts, methodology, and findings.

Council discussion:

- Understanding implications of climate change and mitigating strategies keeps City on track.
- The City and the U.S. should set the example and cooperate with other countries.
- Appreciate connection of local work with global look; regional efforts are important.
- It will take billions of smaller actions together to make a big difference.
- Population control could have a big impact on climate change efforts.

B. WORK SESSION: Downtown Improvements – Broadway Plaza

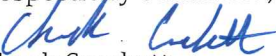
Community Development Manager Denny Braud and Senior Planner Nan Laurence gave a PowerPoint presentation on Broadway Plaza, including historic context, downtown context, urban design observations, and expressions of interest for redevelopment.

Council discussion:

- Redevelopment should not be considered in light of deed restriction.
- Places to sit and gather downtown are needed; consider improvements like opening walls.
- Council needs to take more time to discuss the direction it wants to go.
- Maintain public space downtown; square should be open to the public at all times.
- A roof or cover is needed at Kesey Square to make it a viable space; additional public space is less than 500 ft. away at Park Blocks.
- Work towards a win/win solution with all parties collaborating together; City should facilitate.
- Plaza ineffective as currently configured; Council is not constrained by the deed restriction.
- Usage data for plaza and park needs requested.
- Timely decision should be made to leverage all opportunities; use of park funds inappropriate.
- Any proceeds if sold should go towards upgrades to Park Blocks.
- Possible funding options and ongoing potential property taxes for buildings requested.

The work session adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Chuck Crockett
Deputy City Recorder

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7:30 p.m.**

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1. CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Taylor, seconded by Councilor Brown, moved to approve the items on the consent calendar. **PASSED 5:0** (Councilor Poling absent.)

2. ACTION: Sale of Willow Creek Property

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Taylor, seconded by Councilor Brown, moved to approve the sale of the Willow Creek property. **PASSED 6:0**

3. PUBLIC FORUM

1. Joshua Skov- Supported climate ordinance and carbon budget methodology.
2. Coreal Riday-White – Supported climate ordinance and carbon budget methodology.
3. Donna Riddle – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
4. Laurie Jones – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space; curfew free.
5. Gordon Levitt – Supported climate ordinance and carbon budget methodology.
6. Fred Roellig – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
7. Kim Roellig – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
8. August – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space..
9. Isaac Paris – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
10. Jeff Geiger – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space; more events needed.
11. Nathaniel Mitchell – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space; close Broadway.
12. Cynthia Kokis – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space; add places to sit.
13. Kristy Murray – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
14. Vickie Webb – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
15. Connor Salisbury – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
16. Sue Sierralupé – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space; add improvements.
17. Sabra Marcroft – Supported removal of barriers to being homeless.
18. Stefan Strek- Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
19. David Reynolds – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
20. Sue Wolling – Supported SW-SAZ as it offers housing options that are not available.
21. Joella Ewing – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
22. Linda Reynolds – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space; add tables/chairs.
23. Babe O’Sullivan – Supported SW-SAZ and 20-minute neighborhoods.
24. Anya Dobrowolski – Supported SW-SAZ as it offers better housing options.
25. Joseph Newton – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space..
26. Esteban Vollenweider – Supported keeping Kesey Square an open space; address issues.

27. Cameron Fox – Supported climate ordinance and increased funding for bike/ped plan.
28. Corina MacWilliams – Supported climate ordinance and carbon budget methodology.
29. Shiona Martin – Supported climate ordinance and carbon budget methodology.
30. Zondie Zinke – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
31. Peter Grotticelli – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
32. Tamara Miller – Supported tobacco- and smoke-free parks, including Park Blocks.
33. Kimberly Gladen – Supported tobacco- and smoke-free parks, including Park Blocks.
34. Karena Dalyea – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
35. Matthew Yook – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
36. Gwendolyn Iris – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
37. Kristin Bartus – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
38. Wyatt McCord – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
39. Scott Landfield – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
40. Wayne Martin – Supported more imaginative initiatives to help with homeless issues.
41. Daniel Costello – Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.
42. Eugene Drix – Encouraged everyone to think new.
43. Steve Brigham- Supported keeping Kesey Square a public open space.

Council discussion:

- Council has received a large number of emails from both sides of Broadway Plaza issue.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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