## MINUTES

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

June 15, 2016 12:00 p.m.

**Councilors Present:** 

George Brown, Betty Taylor, George Poling, Mike Clark, Greg

Evans, Chris Pryor

**Councilors Absent:** 

Alan Zelenka, Claire Syrett

Mayor Piercy opened the June 15, 2016, meeting of the Eugene City Council.

## A. WORK SESSION: Community Justice Update

Central Services Director Kristie Hammitt, Municipal Court Judge Wayne Allen, and Police Captain Sam Kamkar gave a PowerPoint presentation on the community justice program, existing system challenges, community justice system overview, Spokane Community Court site visit, Eugene Community Court pilot, and next steps.

## Council discussion:

- Communities that have initiated this type of program have had great success with changing the behavior and recidivism rates.
- Front end approach to this is really important; community members will need a clear understanding of the program and its goals.
- Will be a new approach to tackling chronic issues; fully support this system approach.
- This initiative addresses concerns from public about criminalization of homelessness.
- This will create a real level of accountability.

The meeting adjourned at 1:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chuck Crockett

Deputy City Recorder