

MINUTES

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

September 26, 2016
5:30 p.m.

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

Councilors Absent: Alan Zelenka, Claire Syrett

Mayor Piercy opened the September 26, 2016, meeting of the Eugene City Council.

1. WORK SESSION: South Willamette Public Forum Next Steps

Council discussion:

- Proposed motion will affirm a community planning team with ultimate goal of a refinement plan.
- Need a good sense of what types of plans are out there, impacts, and interactions of each plan.
- Forming a community planning team is just the first step.
- Would like to know when the other area refinement plans were last updated and cost to do it again.
- If a refinement plan is initiated, equal representation of people affected within area needed.
- This a good example of how public process should work.
- Certain areas in our community are likely places for development and will need a plan.
- It's time to dedicate resources to land use planning in Bethel area, especially considering its recent growth.
- Build on the work staff has already done and incorporate into new efforts moving forward.
- One size does not fit all for refinement plans; important to involve neighbors.
- More clarity, certainty, and consistency is needed on what the process is and who it affects.

The meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Chuck Crockett
Deputy City Recorder

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7:30 p.m.**

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1. PUBLIC FORUM:

1. Jennifer Frenzer-Knowlton – conveyed HRC support for resolution opposing Dakota Access Pipeline.
2. Laurie Powell – Supported the climate recovery ordinance and a community wide plan.
3. Jim Neu – Supported climate recovery ordinance; concerned about rail cars and hazardous materials.
4. Ellen Wischnowski – Supported an updated pedestrian-traffic plan for Roosevelt school area.
5. Phil Schoenherr – Said property at 7th Avenue and Monroe Street needs to be condemned.
6. David Lemmon – Concerned about inappropriate and illegal behaviors in parks.
7. Lisa Vertulfo – Said water polo is important for community; supported more year-round pools.
8. Sophia Lauf - Supported increasing access to pools year-round including a cover for Amazon Pool.
9. Lottie Rae Steward – Supported increasing access to more pools and more aquatic activities.
10. Richard Sundt – Supported the Brown-Clark initiative for the South Willamette area plan.
11. Vic Hariton – Supported protecting homeowners; encouraged by work on South Willamette.
12. Christine Sundt – Supported neighborhood refinement plan and Brown-Clark proposal.
13. Sandra Shotridge – Supported resolution supporting the Standing Rock Tribe against the DAPL.
14. Sue Sierralupé – Gave an update on Occupy Medical and new building they will have access to.
15. Ada Ball – Supported resolution supporting the Standing Rock Tribe against the DAPL.
16. Leslie Robnett – Supported more resources and a shelter for the homeless.
17. Jenette Kime – Supported bringing back the Eugene Celebration Parade with support from the City.
18. Cindy Allen – Supported neighborhood-led refinement plans.
19. Jane Coverdell – Supported resolution supporting the Standing Rock Tribe against the DAPL.

Council discussion:

- Concerned about traffic safety issues surrounding new Roosevelt Middle School.
- Fire department is notified when hazardous or flammable materials are transported by rail through Eugene.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Evans, seconded by Councilor Taylor, moved to approve the items on the consent calendar. **PASSED 6:0**

3. ACTION: A Resolution Annexing Land to the City of Eugene (Cowan, Doug; A 16-6)

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Evans, seconded by Councilor Taylor, moved to adopt Resolution 5168, which approves the proposed annexation request consistent with the applicable approval criteria. **PASSED 6:0**

4. ACTION: An Ordinance Extending the Rental Housing Code Sunset Date and Providing for an Effective Date

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Evans, seconded by Councilor Taylor, moved to adopt Council Bill 5158, and ordinance extending the Rental Housing Code sunset date. **PASSED 6:0**

Council discussion:

- More information/options on reducing \$10 fee and other recommendations requested.

5. ACTION: A Resolution Authorizing the Institution of Proceedings in Eminent Domain for the Acquisition of Property Interests for the Commerce Street Connector Path and Bridges Project

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Evans, seconded by Councilor Taylor, moved to adopt Resolution 5170, authorizing the institution of proceedings in eminent domain for the acquisition of property interests for the Commerce Street Connector Path and Bridge project. **PASSED 5:1** Councilor Clark opposed.

Council discussion:

- Support project; however, grant timeline is driving this action.
- Timing is real critical on this.
- Willing sellers; money is fair and reasonable; only condemning a fraction of property.

6. ACTION: A Resolution Declaring the City of Eugene's Support of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe's Opposition to the Construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Brown, seconded by Councilor Evans, moved to adopt Resolution 5171, declaring the City of Eugene's support of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe's opposition to the construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline. **PASSED 6:0**

Council discussion:

- Definition of pipeline leaks is ambiguous; crossing sacred tribal grounds is offensive.
- In favor of generating domestic energy sources, but not at expense of tribal rights.

7. WORK SESSION: Use of Marijuana Tax Funds and Retail Cannabis Regulations

City Attorney Kathryn Brotherton led the council in a discussion on use of marijuana tax funds and retail cannabis regulations.

Council discussion:

- The funds generated by the tax should be directed to human services, housing, community courts, and park safety.
- Would like to keep the list simple and straight forward.
- Community is supportive of maintenance and security of parks.
- Money for human services should be used within Eugene.
- Should not earmark money for specific things; money should go into the General Fund.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Pryor, seconded by Councilor Poling, moved that if the marijuana tax passes, the money be dedicated for use in the community courts, the Human Services Commission in such a way as we have done in the past that we insure services delivered with this money be delivered to the city of Eugene, and increases in security and safety in our parks.

PASSED 4:2 Councilors Taylor and Clark opposed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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