

MINUTES

Eugene City Council
Saul Room - Atrium
99 West 10th Avenue—Eugene, Oregon

May 4, 2016
6:00 p.m.

COUNCILORS PRESENT: Betty Taylor, George Poling, Greg Evans, Claire Syrett, Chris Pryor

COUNCILORS ABSENT: George Brown, Alan Zelenka, Mike Clark

Council President Greg Evans called the May 4, 2016, meeting of the Eugene City Council to order.

A. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS INTERVIEWS

The council interviewed Joel Iboa, Aria Seligmann, Aimee Walsh, and Julia Johnson for vacancies on the Human Rights Commission. Each candidate was asked the following questions:

1. *Can you tell us about your efforts to advance inclusion, equity, and human rights in our community, through volunteer work or in your employment activities? Please give examples.*
2. *The Human Rights Commission, a volunteer body that builds its own annual work plan, works in coordination with City staff and directly advises elected officials on issues pertaining to human rights. As you can imagine this work and approach of the commission is different from that of a community-based human rights organization. How would you approach the work in order to be effective in this role?*
3. *The HRC's priorities include working with the community and advising the City Council on issues involving addressing poverty and homelessness in our community; engaging youth in human rights work; supporting communities of color and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer people and opposing expressions of bias and hate. Can you comment on your experiences and/or your interest in addressing these issues?*
4. *What do you see as the most important human rights issues in our community now? How have these issues come to your attention? What are some solutions you think will help resolve those issues?*

The council interviewed Rick Roseta for a vacancy on the Civilian Review Board. The candidate was asked the following questions:

1. *What can you tell us about your activities, personal attitudes and life experience that would demonstrate you can make objective decisions about complaints against the police?*
2. *What contacts, positive or negative, have you had with police or in the criminal justice system?*

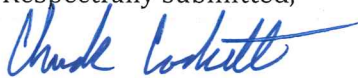
3. *One of your neighbors is a Eugene officer. He knows you're on the CRB. Recently, he asked you a hypothetical question about what you think an officer should do in a particular situation. What would be your response to his question?*

The council interviewed Steven (Mark) Baker for a vacancy on the Planning Commission. The candidate was asked the following questions:

1. *What unique characteristics, skills and interests would you bring to the Planning Commission?*
2. *As a group, the Planning Commission often works on lengthy processes and decisions. Describe your skills, experience and approach that will assist you in working in a constructive, collaborative manner.*
3. *As a Planning Commissioner, you will be responsible for making objective recommendations and decisions on a wide variety of planning and land use related matters. How would you balance your personal or neighborhood perspective with the broad interests of the community as a whole?*
4. *Please describe how you would contribute to the diversity of views on the Planning Commission. How you would seek to improve equity and inclusion, including bringing perspectives of underrepresented members of our community into the land use planning and decision process?*
5. *The Planning Commission must often consider and balance complex issues when reviewing planning documents and making land use decisions. As an example, through Envision Eugene, the city is in the process of implementing strategies to accommodate 34,000 new residents over the next 20 years. In your opinion, what are the most important factors for the Planning Commission to consider in these efforts?*

Councilor Evans adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Chuck Crockett
City Recorder