

MINUTES

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

January 18, 2017
12:00 p.m.

Councilors Present: Emily Semple, Betty Taylor, Alan Zelenka, George Poling, Mike Clark, Claire Syrett, Chris Pryor

Councilors Absent: Greg Evans

Mayor Vinis opened the January 18, 2017, meeting of the Eugene City Council.

1. **WORK SESSION: Urban Growth Boundary Adoption Process and Community Engagement Plan**

Assistant City Attorney Emily Jerome and Principal Planner Terri Harding gave a PowerPoint presentation discussing Envision the Eugene community process, urban growth boundary adoption process, draft community engagement plan, and next steps.

Council discussion:

- Important that any changes to the clear and objective standards occur before a vote.
- Outreach plan looks good; educate public on how to comment on the process.
- Any contested assumptions will be scrutinized immediately; not an option to change at this point.
- The State will step in and make the decision if the plan is delayed or not adopted.
- A decision to become denser will encourage more development in outlying communities.
- Concerned about industrial expansion; if public hearings are held, council should be open to changing the proposal.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Zelenka, seconded by Councilor Clark, moved to approve the timeline and process set out in Attachment A. **PASSED 6:1**, Councilor Clark opposed.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Zelenka, seconded by Councilor Clark, moved to approve the community engagement activities for the UGB adoption package as described in Attachment B. **PASSED 7:0**.

2. **WORK SESSION: Implementation of Oregon Minimum Wage Law Change**

Central Services Director Kristie Hammitt and Human Resources Program Manager Becky DeWitt gave a PowerPoint presentation giving an update on the implementation of the minimum wage law change, overview of temporary work force, budget impacts, and issues.

Council discussion:

- The use of contingent workers offloads responsibility for those employees.
- Temporary employees are in a vulnerable position without protections the City offers.
- Framing the City's use of contingent workers as a benefit could be a mistake.
- With minimum wage increase, the costs for parks employees will rise without being able to increase maintenance funds.
- It is fair to pay people for the work they are doing.

The meeting adjourned at 1:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Chuck Crockett
Deputy City Recorder