MINUTES

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

January 23, 2017 5:30 p.m.

Councilors Present: Emily Semple, Betty Taylor, Alan Zelenka, George Poling, Mike Clark, Greg Evans, *Claire Syrett via phone*, Chris Pryor

Mayor Vinis opened the January 23, 2017, meeting of the Eugene City Council.

1. WORK SESSION: West Eugene Enterprise Zone Task Force Public Benefit Criteria Update

Community Development Director Michael Kinnison and Business Development Analyst Amanda D'Souza gave a PowerPoint presentation showing a program overview, task force process, and draft revised criteria.

Council discussion:

- Criteria should be quantifiable showing real public benefit beyond the job.
- Points awarded for consultation is inappropriate and should be eliminated.
- Green building has nothing to do with the building or how it was built; rename criterion.
- Important not to scale criteria for smaller businesses; some can't fulfill all of the requirements.
- Criteria are a good step forward to address goals; make the program stronger.
- Enterprise zone and tax exemptions are unnecessary, process is now too easy.
- Awarding points for wages should be done by employee, not an average.
- Create a tiered system that all businesses can participate in.
- Criteria for wages could be modified to limit it to a certain percentage between highest and lowest paid employee.
- Half of the employees would be below the medium wage and that is problematic.
- Minimum points from each criteria box should be required.
- Health benefits criteria should be given more weight and require a minimum number of points.
- Consider using average wage over median wage; give extra points for local companies.
- Using median wage helps eliminate outliers that can skew the results.
- If we are trying to create family wage jobs, all new employees should get median wage.
- Minority and women owned business criteria should be included.

2. WORK SESSION: South Willamette Street Pilot Study Update

Assistant City Manager Sarah Medary and Transportation Planning Engineer Chris Henry gave a PowerPoint presentation with updates on the South Willamette Street pilot study.

Council discussion:

• It is council's job and expectation to have a robust discussion on what the community wants in the Transportation System Plan.

- Overwhelming feedback that people think the restriping on Willamette is working.
- A cost estimate for undergrounding the utilities would be helpful.

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chuck Crockett

Deputy City Recorder

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1. PUBLIC FORUM

- 1. Jennifer Frenzer-Knowlton Human Rights Commission supports a task force on rest stops/shelter.
- 2. Michael DeLuise Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 3. Duncan Rhodes Supported a new ordinance requiring developers to post a sign at construction sites.
- 4. Brian Hebb Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 5. Wayne Martin Supported more efforts to help the homeless.
- 6. Stacy Crow Supported a 1,000 ft. buffer zone between marijuana dispensaries.
- 7. Logan Haugen Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 8. Lawrence Siskind Supported a 1,000 ft. buffer zone between marijuana dispensaries.
- 9. Mariah Leung Supported an ordinance making Eugene a Sanctuary City.
- 10. Sue Sierralupé Gave an update on Occupy Medical and supported more assistance for homeless.
- 11. Peter Knox Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 12. Kelsey Weilbrenner Supported upgrades and rehabilitation efforts for Ya-Po-Ah Terrace.
- 13. Deane Lange Supported upgrades and rehabilitation efforts for Ya-Po-Ah Terrace.
- 14. Phillip Dochow Supported upgrades and rehabilitation efforts for Ya-Po-Ah Terrace.
- 15. Lola Frank- Supported upgrades and rehabilitation efforts for Ya-Po-Ah Terrace.
- 16. Bob Wiese- Supported upgrades and rehabilitation efforts for Ya-Po-Ah Terrace.
- 17. Jerry Smith Supported reestablishing local democracy and creating shelter space.
- 18. Jen Respass Supported the rental housing code and making it permanent.
- 19. Kimberley Neese Supported an ordinance making Eugene a Sanctuary City.
- 20. Kristin Yarris Supported an ordinance making Eugene a Sanctuary City.
- 21. David Woken Supported an ordinance making Eugene a Sanctuary City.
- 22. Coreal Riday-White Supported a triple bottom line policy that acknowedges net emissions impact.
- 23. Susan Macomson Supported the Climate Recovery Ordinance and actions.
- 24. Jim Neu Supported a resolution banning crude oil by rail in Eugene.
- 25. Ralph Parshall Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 26. Victoria Whitman Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 27. Jerry Harris Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 28. Erik Riechers– Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 29. Mara Wile Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 30. Michelle Gall Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 31. Jenny Bennett Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 32. Bill Whalen Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 33 David Strahan Supported a shelter and more efforts to help the homeless.

- 34. Linda Heyl Supported a progress report for the Climate Recovery Ordinance.
- 35. Laurie Powell Supported the Climate Recovery Ordinance and actions.
- 36. Ali Litts Supported an ordinance making Eugene a Sanctuary City.
- 37. Debra McGee Supported the Climate Recovery Ordinance and actions.
- 38. Andy Vobora Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 39. Nicole Desch Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 40. Bob Bussel Supported an ordinance making Eugene a Sanctuary City.
- 41. Laura DeGiusti Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 42. Sarah Delp Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 43. Seth Revoal Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 44. Tom Kamis Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 45. Priyamon Makyadath Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 46. Carol Scherer Supported an ordinance making Eugene a Sanctuary City.
- 47. Lee De Veau Supported a shelter and more efforts for the homeless.
- 48. Stephen Bryan Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 49. Thomas Pettus-Czar Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 50. Rob Rutherford Concerned about criminal behavior of the homeless in Eugene.
- 51. Caroline Cummings Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 52. Ralph McDonald Supported lowering the fees for building tiny houses.
- 53. Morgan Sleeper Supported the rental housing code and making Eugene a Sanctuary City.
- 54. Katie Gessert Supported an ordinance making Eugene a Sanctuary City.
- 55. Ariana Hernandez Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 56. Ruth Erickson Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 57. Brian Erickson Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 58. Sarah Pishioneri Supported a safe space and public shelter for the homeless.
- 59. Doug Bulski Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 60. Brianna Bulski Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 61. Susan Costa Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 62. Adam Wright Supported a public, year-round shelter for all.
- 63. Ellen Furstner Supported an ordinance making Eugene a Sanctuary City.
- 64. Bonnie Glass Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 65. Tina Scott Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 66. Sylvan Magnus Supported a 1,000 ft. buffer zone between marijuana dispensaries.
- 67. Chad Barczak Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 68. Brittany Quick-Warner Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 69. Eduardo Tapia Supported an ordinance making Eugene a Sanctuary City.
- 70. Annie Loe Concerned about public safety and dangerous conditions in downtown.
- 71. Lori Bosteder Supported an ordinance making Eugene a Sanctuary City.
- 72. Morgan Glenn Supported a 1,000 ft. buffer zone between marijuana dispensaries.
- 74. Thomas McGowen Supported a 1,000 ft. buffer zone between marijuana dispensaries.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Poling, seconded by Councilor Taylor, moved to postpone all of the action items until Wednesday's work session. **PASSED 8:0.**

Council discussion:

- Request made for a work session poll on a 1,000 ft. buffer zone for marijuana dispensaries; problems downtown need to be addressed.
- More jail beds and greater enforcement is needed for the downtown public safety issues.
- We will make downtown safer but there is no silver bullet and it involves a lot of issues and coordination.
- Harness collective energy to prevent rollbacks of rights.

- A proposed resolution supporting Civic Alliance's request for lottery dollars is forthcoming.
- The passing of former City Councilor Andrea Ortiz and Dr. Ed Coleman was acknowledged.
- The City is aware of and supports improvements to Ya-Pa-Ah Terrace.
- We need to commit resources immediately for downtown, both out of compassion and recognizing public safety issues.
- An emergency shelter is critical to downtown safety efforts; a discussion about the capital investment required for a shelter is needed.
- Consider negotiating for a small scale municipal jail when the city hall lot is sold to the County.

The meeting adjourned at 10:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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