

MINUTES

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

April 25, 2018
12:00 p.m.

Councilors Present: Emily Semple, Betty Taylor, Alan Zelenka, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Greg Evans, Claire Syrett, Chris Pryor

Mayor Vinis opened the April 25, 2018, Work Session of the Eugene City Council.

1. **WORK SESSION: Climate Recovery Ordinance Update and Sustainability Commission Proposal – Electric Vehicle Ready Homes**

Sustainability Analyst Chelsea Clinton gave an overview of the Climate Recovery Ordinance and provided an update about the Community Climate Action Plan 2.0. Intergovernmental Relations Manager Ethan Nelson presented a proposal from the Sustainability Commission regarding electric vehicle-ready homes.

Council Discussion

- The EV-ready homes idea is great, but the State is moving forward on this issue. Let them do the work to achieve the same outcome.
- Pleased to see the response to the equity concerns from last year's Sustainability Commission report.
- Questions raised about the fiscal impacts of the potential code amendments.
- Consider the implications of autonomous vehicles on this issue.
- Information about single-family vs. multi-family requirements requested.
- Would like to have City of Eugene support the Governor's Executive Order and work on the State's work groups, but also think of a way to encourage local builders to get ahead of the curve.
- Consider the risk in a delay of implementation at the State level for the Governor's order and current timeline of 2022.
- List of all charging stations located in City infrastructure requested, where more could potentially be added, including in parking facilities.
- Equity fellow is crucial and important to approach climate strategies incorporating equity lens and addressing the disproportionate effects of climate change on race and class.
- Consider whether Council can take additional action after the State has implemented a plan if there are any gaps that need to be filled.
- Consider whether SDUs would also be required to be EV-ready.
- More information requested about the timeline and when the CAP draft will come back to Council.
- Consider possible financial implications of this issue as budget season approaches.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Semple, seconded by Councilor Zelenka, moved to direct the City Manager to support Executive Order 17-20, via participation within the 2020 Residential Specialty Code Boards work groups. **PASSED 8:0.**

2. WORK SESSION: Wildlife Feeding

Inspection Services Manager Rachelle Nicholas reviewed Council direction and concerns around wildlife feeding strategies and explained the proposed ordinance.

Council Discussion

- Code enforcement will occur on a complaint-driven basis.
- Council considered including property damage as part of the ordinance; however, staff determined it would be challenging to enforce and it was not included in draft ordinance.
- The code is written to cover both intentional and unintentional feeding.
- The main concern of the City should be on rat overpopulation; direct efforts to trapping rats and doing an education campaign around feeding animals.
- Information requested around composting and the definition of “rodent proof.”
- The Sustainability Commission has a Wildlife Feeding Policy Committee.
- Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife has said they wouldn’t consider a trapping program unless Eugene first implemented a feeding ban.
- Information requested about the section of the ordinance that would authorize the underlying authority to ask a judge for an administrative warrant to enforce the code.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Clark, seconded by Councilor Taylor, moved to direct the City Manager to schedule a Public Hearing on a draft ordinance amending rodent control and prohibiting the feeding of wildlife. **PASSED 6:0**, Councilors Semple and Taylor opposed.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Elena Domingo
Deputy City Recorder