

**MINUTES
CITY OF FAIRVIEW
CITY COUNCIL**

November 6, 2013

Council Members

Mike Weatherby, Mayor
Dan Kreamier *Excused*
Steve Prom
Steve Owen *Excused*
Lisa Barton Mullins
Tamie Arnold

Staff

Samantha Nelson, City Administrator
Allan Berry, Public Works Director
Ken Johnson, Police Chief
Heather Martin, City Attorney
Devree Leymaster, City Recorder

COUNCIL MEETING (7:00 PM)

1. CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Minutes of October 16, 2013
- b. Metro IGA Amendment for Fairview Police Services: Resolution 56-2013

Council President Barton Mullins moved to approve the consent agenda and Councilor Prom seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

AYES: 4

NOES: 0

ABSTAINED: 0

3. CITIZENS WISHING TO SPEAK ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

4. CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND DIRECTOR REPORTS

City Administrator Samantha Nelson reported the following.

- Last day to file for an Advisory Committee vacancy is November 15 by 5:00PM.
- Last day to file for vacant City Council position #2 is December 31 by 5:00PM.
- Community Blood Drive on November 7 beginning at 2:00PM in Council Chambers, City Hall.
- Reminder City Hall will be closed Monday, November 11 for Veteran's Day.
- The Fraternal Order of Eagles is hosting a Veteran's Day breakfast on Saturday, November 9 at the Wood Village Baptist Church beginning at 8:00AM.
- Reminder City Hall will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 28 and 29 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

- Several citizens have reported street lights out. The city is not responsible for these lights, but staff is reporting these outages to the correct agency. Citizens, please continue to report any outages and staff will continue to compel the responsible agency to make the repairs.
- Reminder from the Police Department. Car prowls are on the rise. Do not leave valuables in the vehicle and lock the doors.
- The Police Department has made a conditional job offer. More details will be forthcoming.
- The buildings across from the library were auctioned off. One owner has indicated potentially opening a coffee shop/model train shop in the commercial space.
- The meeting with Ms. Jorgenson went well. She shared some historical knowledge of the Village. Issues of top concern are the signage from the major arterials into the Village (Halsey Street), parking in the Village, and increased communication with the city.
- There are parking violations in the lot adjacent to City Hall. Notices have been sent to the parties to warn them and give them one week to comply, before the city takes action.
- Topics for the next work session include medical marijuana dispensaries, park bench donation/sponsorship, and PSAC.
- The PSAC Chair, Council liaison, and Police Chief will meet regarding the future of PSAC in preparation for the Dec. 4 work session.
- The Sidewalk Repair and Grant Program are in effect. Applications for the grant program are available at City Hall or on the city website. To date one application has been received.

Public Works Director Berry reported during testimony at the last Planning Commission meeting a property owner indicated they like the idea of a mixed use riverfront zone, but have no interest in pursuing redevelopment at this time and expressed concern that any action could create restrictions on their property. Planning Commission requested an outline of what is needed regarding the levee, transportation, industrial lands inventory, additional issues due to being next to the river, etc. and the likely studies and costs. The cost for a consultant to take a basic look at this information and compile a list of requirements is approximately \$5,000 to \$10,000. Staff is requesting direction and approval from City Council as to whether to proceed with the consultant.

Mayor Weatherby inquired about the proposed Cemex batch plant at one of the properties. Director Berry replied staff is still awaiting comments from the Multnomah County Drainage District (MCDD) from the pre-application conference. Staff's understanding is MCDD forwarded it to the Army Corp of Engineers for comments regarding the plant and impacts to the levee. There has been indication the applicant may need to do a levee stabilization study. Depending on the comments from the Corp, the levee issue may become even more complicated. Mayor Weatherby proposed waiting to see what the Corp of Engineers position is regarding the levee before spending any money on a consultant.

Council President Barton Mullins stated she attended the Planning Commission meeting and was surprised that the property owners were not interesting in redeveloping at this time. Mr. Moore indicated maybe in the future; 5 to 10 years. The Port of Portland and Georgia Pacific were not ready to comment, but indicated not being interested. Council President Barton Mullins agreed money should not be spent at this time.

Director Berry remarked part of the rezone process will be to remove the properties from the Metro Industrial Lands Inventory. It is doubtful Metro will approve the request if the city cannot clearly identify what development will be done in lieu of. Director Berry summarized at this time the property owners are not interested in redeveloping, there is no development plan, and there are significant obstacles to work through.

Councilor Arnold commented the 2001 Comp Plan does reference river oriented uses. A developer came to the city with a plan 2 years ago. That window has closed. Even though current development is not being requested should still keep the vision.

Councilor Prom reiterated the missed window for riverfront development and commented if the property owners have no interest in redeveloping, then there is no need to spend money at this time.

Director Berry reported the light for the sign on Fairview Parkway will be installed this week.

5. MAYOR/COMMITTEE REPORTS AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Arnold reported attending the quarterly Fire Advisory Board. The Board reviews the current status of fire services from the City of Gresham and with a contract renewal a few years away is looking at potential options for the future. Councilor Arnold remarked she attended the recent Planning Commission informational meeting regarding the riverfront development and announced she will be attending the National League of Cities in Seattle Washington next week. She will attend two conferences: Creating a Healthy City for Families and The Congress, and looks forward to coming back and sharing the information.

Council President Barton Mullins reported attending the Mayor's Business Roundtable. It was well attended, EDAC Chair Hurford gave a committee update, and the guest speaker was Sheriff Dan Stanton. Sheriff Stanton reported the Sheriff's office would be doing a sweep of Thousand Acres to clear transients. They expect to find approximately 600-650 transients. After last year's sweep 89,000 tons of garbage had to be removed.

Council President Barton Mullins remarked she had recently visited Park Cleone. The play equipment had been vandalized, including graffiti. This reiterates the need to complete the park, including lighting. At the recent PRAC meeting members discussed completing individual park master plans, finishing Park Cleone, and agreed Lake Shore Park is the next park to begin working on a master plan for. She indicated Councilor Prom may be interested in reviewing the 2011 and 2012 PRAC minutes; there is a lot information regarding Pocket Parks.

Council President Barton Mullins commented on the Police Department's award ceremony. It was low key, but very nice. Councilor Owen and Mayor Weatherby also attended. Some awards were given to citizens, including the cleaning person at City Hall, who was absolutely thrilled.

The East Multnomah County Transportation Committee (EMCTC) discussed adding new projects to the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), but there was no discussion regarding which projects staff should look at. Council President Barton Mullins advocated completing Sandy Blvd. through Fairview. Completing Sandy Blvd. is important to Fairview and its industrial growth. Multnomah County staff agreed to look at it and potentially add it to another project list, possibly sooner than later.

The Gresham Chamber of Commerce and Travel Oregon are hosting Bicycle Tourism Workshops on November 13 at McMennamins Edgefield and November 14 at Corbett Fire Hall as part of the East Multnomah County bicycle tourism initiative. All staff and councilors are invited to attend.

The new entrance sign at Fairview Parkway is fabulous and looks beautiful. Council President Barton Mullins stated this has been a council goal she has supported for the past few years and is pleased it is completed and looks beautiful.

Council President Barton Mullins indicated she will be attending Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation and East Metro Economic Alliance meetings next week.

Mayor Weatherby commented on the medical marijuana program. The state legislature has countered federal legislation and pre-empted a city's right to determine what they want to do. This is an important issue that will be discussed at the next City Council work session – allow medical marijuana dispensaries or limit them.

6. PRESENTATIONS

a. Metro Councilor Shirley Craddick – Metro Projects Update

Metro Councilor Shirley Craddick stated Metro is a busy organization covering twenty-five cities and three counties, and presented an update of current Metro projects. Funding has been secured for priority projects identified on the East Metro Connections Plan. The 238th Avenue project is moving forward in Wood Village. In Gresham, the projects to widen Hogan, Powell, and Division to keep traffic and freight moving are going forward. The Powell/Division corridor project is advancing; high capacity transit will be considered for this project.

In transportation planning, Metro, with JPACT and MPAC, is working on a draft active transportation plan, identifying the active transportation projects to be included in the regional transportation plan to be adopted summer 2014. Metro is also encouraging developing the bicycle tourism niche, in part by supporting projects to connect the regional trail systems. Mayor Weatherby inquired how much funding goes towards active transportation and freight. Metro Councilor Craddick replied 2% for active transportation and did know the funding amount for freight. Metro Councilor Craddick remarked increasing active transportation does assist in moving more freight by decreasing traffic on the roads.

Metro is beginning the 2 year Growth Management planning process. The process includes determining how much land is available for homes, industrial development, employment, etc. These findings could lead to an adjustment in the urban growth boundary.

The Community Investment Initiative is a group of business, community, and public sector leaders looking at the infrastructure needs of the region and trying to figure out how to make up the shortage of funds to address all the needs. Only about half the needed funding is available for identified projects. There is a larger burden on state and local governments to fund these projects. This initiative creates a partnership with the private sector to help find funding sources and identify ways to cut costs.

Metro has been busy working on the Climate Smart project, which is state mandated, and requires carbon emissions from cars and small trucks be reduced 20% by 2035. Preliminary work indicates this goal is achievable and additional information will be coming soon.

The Oregon Convention Hotel project is moving forward. Funding is from a state grant, a ten million grant from Metro, and Metro is assisting in securing a loan for the remaining funds, which will be repaid with hotel/motel taxes. No property taxes will be used. The Hyatt will build the hotel which will have 600 rooms held for conventions and will also have ball rooms. Hotels in Portland are in high demand and

there is no incentive to hold rooms for conventions. This private/public partnership in building this hotel will alleviate that.

Metro Councilor Craddick touched on other highlights. The zoo won an award for their conservation efforts with the pygmy rabbit population and a marketing award for an elephants (Packy) birthday. With the passage of the natural areas levy, Metro is accepting applications for restoration project grants. Metro is also working on developing a guide to assist cities in streamlining their permitting process; creating tools to better aide school districts in assessing their needs, and is looking into working with a private sector lead financing board to help with specific infrastructure projects.

Metro Councilor Craddick thanked Council President Barton Mullins for her participation and engagement in the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) and encouraging active regional meetings. With the success of securing funding for projects identified earlier in the presentation, they will begin looking at the next set of projects. She understands the priority to Fairview, and East County, is upgrades and funding for Sandy Blvd., in the Townsend Business Park area and connecting Gresham to Fairview.

Mayor Weatherby inquired if the synchronizing of traffic lights through Gresham has been completed as referenced in the East County Connections Plan. Metro Councilor Craddick responded it is being worked on.

Mayor Weatherby inquired about the right-of-way issue along 238th Ave. Metro Councilor Craddick replied the plan is that Troutdale will vacate the right-of-way allowing Multnomah County to precede with the project.

7. COUNCIL BUSINESS

None.

8. PUBLIC HEARING

None.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Council President Barton Mullins moved to adjourn the meeting and Councilor Arnold seconded. The motion passed, and the meeting adjourned at 8:05PM.

AYES: 4

NOES: 0

ABSTAINED: 0

A complete recording of these City Council proceedings is available by contacting the City of Fairview Administration Office, 1300 NE Village Street, Fairview, Oregon 97024.

Devree A. Leymaster
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City Recorder

Mike Weatherby
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Mayor

December 6, 2013
Date of Signing