

**MINUTES  
FAIRVIEW CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION  
FAIRVIEW CITY HALL  
300 HARRISON  
FAIRVIEW, OREGON 97024**

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**MAY 26, 1999 -- 7:30pm**

**I. CALL TO ORDER/  
ROLL CALL**

Mayor Vonderharr called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

PRESENT: Mayor Roger Vonderharr  
Councilor Ken Quinby  
Councilor Sherry Lillard  
Councilor Steve Owen  
Councilor Len Edwards  
Councilor James Raze

STAFF PRESENT: Marilyn Holstrom, City Administrator  
John Andersen, Planning Director  
Caren Huson, City Recorder

**II. DISCUSSION -  
Transportation System Plan**

John Andersen, Planning Director, distributed the comparison materials for the proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendments which Council would hear at their regular meeting of June 2, 1999.

Director Andersen reported that policies in the Transportation System Plan deal with the updates Fairview must perform on its Comprehensive Plan in order to place us in compliance with the State Transportation Rule. Director Andersen read off a list of goals for the Transportation System Plan, which included livability, level of service, improvements, etc.

Director Andersen explained that the City of Fairview should have a Transportation System Plan (TSP) as regional and state agencies commit and comply with our decisions, and it will affect how Multnomah County and Metro treat certain streets in Fairview. Director Andersen stated that our TSP proposes a neighborhood route to maintain our "village" feel, which is just a little less than a neighborhood collector street. In reviewing our draft TSP, Multnomah County suggested that Fairview place its arguments for railroad bridge expansions in the document and state why it is of such great importance.

Director Andersen displayed several maps which, in the future, Council will need to decide on. These maps included a Sidewalk Master Plan and a Bicycle Master Plan, transit routes, and changes to functional classifications.

Councilor Raze suggested that 223rd Avenue be listed as a minor arterial as a minor arterial does not necessarily have to be five lanes; 223rd Avenue could be stated to be maintained as three lanes. Councilor Raze thought that the "minor arterial" designation could provide more clout for the City's desire to widen the railroad bridges. Council consensus was that 223rd Avenue should be listed as a minor arterial, three-lane road.

Councilor Edwards commented that he liked the idea of having a traffic circle at 223rd Avenue/Sandy Boulevard. Mayor Vonderharr expressed his concern that a traffic circle might inhibit gaps in the traffic to allow vehicles turning left out of the core area onto 223rd Avenue. Director Andersen stated that he would mark the traffic circle as an option, and when the City gets to the point of considering the addition of the traffic circle, we would have a traffic analysis performed.

Director Andersen reported that the Council needs to consider changing the land use designation along Halsey Street and to look at the issue of a "main street" environment, from C-2 (General Commercial) to something less traffic oriented and pedestrian friendly, yet consistent with commercial development and the Town Center of Fairview Village, in order to enhance the Village Commercial zone. Director Andersen stated that staff was proposing to extend the commercial designation along the north side of Halsey from 223rd Avenue to 7th Street, and expanding Commercial development near 207th Avenue.

Director Andersen stated that the next step for the TSP will be to have everything placed into a document, and then submit the document to both the Planning Commission and City Council for approval. The TSP will include amendments to the City's Comprehensive Plan, zoning regulations, subdivision ordinances, amend the Capital Improvements Plan, and be the City's list of what it wants to accomplish in coordination with the regional transportation system.

### III. DISCUSSION - Possible Revenue Sources

Marilyn Holstrom, City Administrator, asked the question of how the City can bring in additional revenue to the General Fund, as we can no longer depend on property taxes alone. Administrator Holstrom reported that possible revenue sources could include: an assessment fee of \$5.00 on traffic citations; a surcharge on Blue Lake Park and Chinook Landing; and, an increase in the Payment In Lieu of Taxes fee paid by the Housing Authority of Portland (HAP). Administrator Holstrom explained that the City currently receives \$15,000 from HAP for Fairview Oaks and Fairview Woods apartments; the City had requested that that amount be doubled, with HAP responding that they could pay an extra \$10 thousand a year for the next two years.

Administrator Holstrom stated that staff reviews its fee schedule every year but can only charge the actual cost of providing service or materials. Administrator Holstrom reported that staff was still pursuing the City's allotment from Measure 50 as we feel it was calculated incorrectly, and that some cities take a percentage of funds out of their SDC's to fund the work of General Fund employees in handling the program. It has been suggested that perhaps the City could go out for a police levy in a year and a half, possibly initiating a real estate transfer tax, pursue a program of allocating apartments and commercial uses so many police calls a month and anything above and beyond would have to be paid for, placing surcharges on events which may use extra police services, placing a surcharge on building permits if the permit does not cover the cost of administering the process, placing a franchise fee on our own City utilities, or adding a cost to water bills to help pay for fire service.

Mayor Vonderharr stated that the City should not subsidize anything when we are delivering a service, so perhaps the building permit fee should be reviewed. Council agreed that they would like to receive more information on the real estate transfer tax. Administrator Holstrom responded that she would explore as many possibilities as possible and return to Council with additional information.

### IV. ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Owen moved and Councilor Lillard seconded the motion to adjourn.

Mayor Vonderharr adjourned the meeting at 9:13pm.

AYES: 6  
NOES: 0  
ABSTAINED: 0

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Mayor Roger Vonderharr

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Dated:

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Caren C. Huson Quiniones  
City Recorder