



TUALATIN CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES OF JANUARY 26, 2009

PRESENT: Mayor Lou Ogden, Councilors Chris Barhyte, Monique Beikman, Joelle Davis, and Jay Harris; Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager; Brenda Braden, City Attorney; Mike McKillip, City Engineer; Carina Christensen, Assistant to the City Manager; Doug Rux, Community Development Director; Paul Hennon, Community Services Director; Kent Barker, Chief of Police; Eric Underwood, Development Coordinator; Dan Boss, Operations Director; Nancy McDonald, Human Resources Director; Don Hudson, Finance Director; Aquilla Hurd-Ravich, Senior Planner; Colin Cortes, Assistant Planner; Cindy Hahn, Assistant Planner; Ginny Kirby, Recording Secretary

ABSENT: [* denotes excused]

*[Unless otherwise noted, **MOTION CARRIED** indicates all in favor.]*

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ogden called the work session to order at 4:02 p.m.
Councilor Truax arrived at 4:40 p.m.
Councilor Maddux arrived at 6:24 p.m.

B. PRESENTATIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, SPECIAL REPORTS

Mandatory Business Recycling Program

Dan Boss, Operations Director, introduced Matt Kotot and Marta McGuire, Metro representatives. Mr. Kotot noted that Metro is aware they need to be cognizant of business expenses in these economic times. Metro was sensitive to that when they developed new requirements for businesses. Mr. Kotot and Ms. McGuire gave a PowerPoint presentation that addressed the current recycling system, impacts on businesses, benefits of recycling, the role of local government, and business recycling policy development.

The mandatory program basically consists of three requirements: provide recycling containers, post signs and labels, and recycle. Ms. McGuire noted that most businesses already follow a recycling program; the mandatory recycling will have the biggest effect on those businesses that do not have a program currently in place.

Councilor Harris questioned why Metro is going to local governments vs. directly to the haulers. Mr. Kotot explained that Metro has "government to government" jurisdiction; not jurisdiction over private businesses (the haulers). Discussion followed regarding the funding available to help cities offset costs and compliance timing issues. Mayor Ogden asked what was impeding businesses from following recycling programs; discussion followed. It was noted that some agencies plan to add recycling program questions on their business license application form as a method to ascertain if a business has a recycling program in place.

It was reiterated that Metro has rough information regarding how many businesses in Tualatin are recycling; the best place to get this information is the garbage haulers. Mayor Ogden reiterated that the community has a strong interest in recycling.

Debrief on Artic Blast 2008

Dan Boss, Operations Director, reminded Council that a few years ago the cost of a plow went before the Budget Committee and was denied; just not enough snow on a regular basis. The 2008 snow storm was an unusual event. The City made a conscious decision in the past to not purchase plows; therefore, it wasn't a failure to plow, the decision had been made to NOT plow. Discussion followed regarding what could have made a real impact in an event such as the 2008 Artic Blast event. A single snow plow just would not have made much of an impact. Washington County loaned the City a piece of equipment one day; ODOT loaned two snow plows another day.

Mr. Boss noted he spoke to City of Bend regarding their procedures for handling of snow events. Bend typically receives 40-inches of snow per year; their snow removal costs are approximately \$1 million per year (Bend is approximately twice the size of Tualatin). Discussion continued regarding level of service (especially for residential streets), trigger points for response, and potential costs for snow removal. Mayor Ogden suggested a potential way to have funds for a snow event, flood event, or wind event would be to possibly add a small "fee" on the utility bills. Council would like staff to look into the cost of a blade (or two) that could be attached to existing City trucks. Councilor Beikman noted she was proud of the way the City handled the recent snow event.

Street Tree Replacement Policy

Colin Cortes, Assistant Planner, noted this topic was last before Council in October 2008. The subcommittee has met to discuss the issue. Mr. Cortes gave a PowerPoint presentation that showed examples of newly planted trees, trees several years in age, and mature street trees. Mayor Ogden noted that the subcommittee visited several neighborhoods to view tree canopies. Discussion followed regarding current policy vs. proposed policy. Councilor Truax noted he would be in favor of a one-for-one street tree policy; not for a street tree to be replaced by a tree in the homeowners yard. He was also in favor of developing a policy to go back and replace removed trees that are yet to be replaced. More discussion followed regarding reasons tree removal would be allowed and exceptions from replacement. Exceptions for replacement would include: extensive existing canopy, location originally overplanted, and conflicts with public works issues (utility conflicts, etc). Council was in favor of the one-for-one tree replanting with the few exceptions.

Ms. Lombos clarified with Council what she was hearing them request - they would like the City to inventory street trees and do an extensive "tree for a fee" door hanger program over the next two to three years.

Fence Standards

Ms. Lombos noted that fence materials will not be discussed this evening; the two issues before Council are fences next to the freeway and vision clearance. Cindy Hahn, Assistant Planner, noted this topic was previously brought to Council October 13, 2008. Ms. Hahn gave a PowerPoint presentation that briefly went over background, (which includes typical sound levels, noise barrier height, effects of height and grade, and noise barrier length), noise barrier options, outcomes of evaluated mitigation,

average construction costs of various materials, vision clearance area, vision clearance area survey results, and vision clearance area triangles. Brief discussion followed.

Ms. Hahn stated the three existing neighborhoods that abut a freeway are Tualatin Woods, Venetia, and Sequoia Woods. If homes sit at least 200' back from the freeway, barriers would most likely not be needed as they wouldn't be effective. Councilor Barhyte questioned what would be possible to require as a visual barrier/fence in different areas; could the City require different heights of fences depending upon the roadway/area. Discussion followed regarding fence heights on roadways other than arterials and collectors. Council would like staff to investigate areas where fences would be reasonable along "highways and byways".

Ms. Hahn continued her PowerPoint presentation which covered Vision Clearance Areas. Discussion followed. The City does not do an inventory; the current policy is enforced on a complaint-driven basis. After further discussion, Council said they are happy with the current policy; no changes needed at this time.

Council Communications & Roundtable

Councilor Beikman stated that she attended the recent Community Action Organization meeting. They noted that they receive most of their calls at the first of each month as that is when eviction notices are issued. The calls have been increasing; August and September averaged 450 calls per month; thus far in January they have received over 900 calls. Councilor Beikman suggested the Tualatin Food Pantry fund raising that Council is going to do needs to move forward. Ms. Lombos noted that the City gives out the information for assistance (people can call 2-1-1). Also, City employees have the "donate a dollar" program to which they can contribute.

Councilor Maddux said she attended a meeting of the Washington County Gang Summit last week. Over 100 people were in attendance, including three Tualatin police officers and two YAC members.

Councilor Barhyte noted MACC has hired an attorney to research the possibility of collecting franchise fees from cable companies. Councilor Harris and Ms. Lombos said they attended a 9-1-1 Funding Summit; they are looking at alternate funding sources.

Clackamas County Cities Committee meeting was attended by Carina Christensen, Assistant to the City Manager. Ms. Christensen noted the Committee elected new officers and discussed the Artic Blast 2008.

Mayor Ogden said he and Councilor Beikman attending an I-5 Connector meeting. He would like that to be a topic for a future meeting. Mayor Ogden also noted he attended an Urbanization Forum, which was mostly staged because of other mayors and their objection to urbanization in some rural areas. Brief discussion followed.

Councilor Maddux said there will be a Commission On Children and Families Special Session on Thursday, February 5, 2009 because of necessary budgetary cuts.

C. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Not applicable.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda was reviewed by Council.

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS - Legislative or Other

Not applicable.

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS - Quasi-Judicial

Not applicable.

G. GENERAL BUSINESS

None.

H. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

Not applicable.

I. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILORS

None.

[Work Session recessed at 6:57 p.m.]

[Work Session reconvened at 7:53 p.m. to go into Executive Session].

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

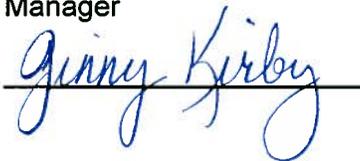
Council went into an Executive Session at 7:53 p.m. pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(d) to discuss labor relations.

K. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

Recording Secretary

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Approved By Tualatin City Council

Date February 23, 2009
Recording Secretary J Kirby

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ABSENT: [* denotes excused]

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A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ogden called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.
Councilor Davis led the pledge of allegiance.

B. PRESENTATIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, SPECIAL REPORTS

1. Proclamation Declaring January 27, 2009 as *Fire Service Appreciation Day*
Chief Johnson, Assistant Chief Dyke. Chief Johnson said they feel well treated by this community and are proud to serve the area. He noted they have a new "rating" that should help lower insurance rates for area residents. Chief Johnson complimented the City; he said we have an excellent Police Chief in Chief Barker and a good City Manager. Tualatin is a wonderful partner with TVF&R. The Mayor stated the Tualatin fire station is unique in that it houses half the hazardous material team for the State, a Battalion Chief, and advanced life support equipment. Mayor Ogden thanked TVF&R for their commitment to serving this community.

Mayor Ogden read the Proclamation declaring January 27th as Fire Service Appreciation Day and then thanked Chief Johnson, Assistant Chief Dyke, and all of TVF&R for their service.

2. 20-Year Service Award - *Doug Rux*
Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager, awarded a 20-year service award to Doug Rux, Community Development Director. Ms. Lombos noted that Mr. Rux started his career in City of Springfield; he came to the City of Tualatin in 1989. Ms. Lombos presented the hydrometer/thermometer/clock oak plaque and 20-yr service certificate to Mr. Rux. Mayor Ogden thanked Mr. Rux for all his work and said he is proud to have him as part of Tualatin.

3. Mike McKillip, City Engineer, announced that the SW 108th Avenue improvement project is now substantially complete. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony on Saturday, January 31, 2009, at 11:00 a.m. on-site. Councilor Maddux noted the project is having a tremendous effect on the area; it is a huge benefit.

C. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Kathy Newcomb, Cheyenne Way, Tualatin. Ms. Newcomb stated she was here tonight because she was involved in a project in the Ashland area in the 1970's with youth and alcoholism. A recent local article in the newspaper about youth and a large party involving underage drinking brought this all back to mind. Ms. Newcomb stated her church recently held a workshop addressing teenage heavy drinking and driving. She shared some statistics given in the workshop. She feels it would not be a good idea to lower the drinking age to 18 years of age, as the brain develops until about the age of 20. Ms. Newcomb said she would like to spread the word about the dangers of heavy teenage drinking and was seeking the best avenue. Mayor Ogden suggested that Chief Barker and the high school would be good contacts. Mayor Ogden thanked Ms. Newcomb for coming before Council this evening with this important topic.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Councilor Barhyte, SECONDED by Councilor Maddux to adopt the Consent Agenda as read:

1. Approval of Minutes for the Meeting of January 12, 2009
2. Resolution No. 4860-09 Authorizing Reimbursement of Unused Fees for PMA 08-03
3. Resolution No. 4861-09 Authorizing a Two-Year Intergovernmental Agreement with Washington County for Coordinated Mosquito Reduction and Information Coordination on West Nile Virus
4. Resolution No. 4862-09 Approving Westside Commuter Rail Project TriMet and City of Tualatin Cooperative Maintenance Agreement
5. Resolution No. 4863-09 Authorizing a Temporary Construction Easement and Permanent Easement Associated with Clean Water Services Lower Tualatin Pump Station Project at Tualatin Community Park

MOTION CARRIED.

- E. PUBLIC HEARINGS** - Legislative or Other
None.

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS - *Quasi-Judicial*
None.

G. GENERAL BUSINESS

1. 2008 Annual Report of the Tualatin Parks Advisory Committee (TPARK)
Paul Hennon, Community Services Director, noted that ultimately they are seeking that Council accept the annual report. Travis Dunford, D.J. DeAustria, and Jill Anderson are here tonight to present the Annual Report of TPARK to Council. Mr. Dunford stated 2008 was the 31st anniversary of TPARK. He gave a summary of the key issues that TPARK was involved in during 2008, which included: recreation bond measure feasibility study, a dog park, the Heritage Center patio-phase 2, the Lower Tualatin Pump Station final design, Herman Road off-site mitigation at Little Woodrose Nature Park, some land acquisition, Tualatin Commons Park, policy and program issues, Arbor Week/Tree City USA/Heritage Tree programs, special events (Spring Fling, Giant Pumpkin Regatta, Starry Nights and Holiday Lights), and Tree Board (reviewed street tree removal/replacement policy).

In 2009 the committee will be working on several projects, including: review of capital projects, providing input on special events and recreation programming, and policy input.

Mayor Ogden thanked the committee for all their work. The Mayor asked what is needed for the update of the Parks Master Plan, which was originally written in 1983. Mr. Hennon noted that the demographics of the population is changing and an update would address the potential changes the new demographic would desire. They are currently looking at what it would take to update the Master Plan.

MOTION by Councilor Beikman, SECONDED by Councilor Barhyte to accept the 2008 Annual Report of the Tualatin Parks Advisory Committee. MOTION CARRIED.

H. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA
None.

I. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILORS

Councilor Davis stated that she attended the Mr. Timberwolf Pageant at Tualatin High School last weekend; Kevin Oliver is the new Mr. Timberwolf.

Councilor Truax noted he and Mayor Ogden have been longtime members of the Rotary Club. This week they suffered a large loss when a group of exchange students were amongst those shot at a downtown Portland club. He wanted to say that our hearts and prayers go out to the families of the students killed.

The Student Visual Chronicle event will be held this Wednesday evening at the Heritage Center. This will be a great opportunity to see the art of local students.

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

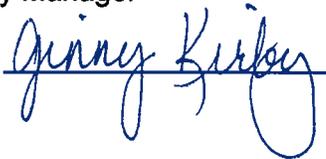
None.

K. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

Recording Secretary

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