

STAFF REPORT CITY OF TUALATIN

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Sherilyn Lombos

FROM: Nicole Morris, Deputy City Recorder

DATE: 08/25/2014

SUBJECT: Consideration of Approval of the Minutes for the City Council Work Session and Regular Meeting of July 28, 2014

ISSUE BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

The issue before the Council is to approve the minutes for the City Council Work Session and Regular Meeting of July 28, 2014.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully recommends that the Council adopt the attached minutes.

Attachments: City Council Work Session Minutes of July 28, 2014
City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of July 28, 2014



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF TUALATIN CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION FOR JULY 28, 2014

Present: Mayor Lou Ogden; Councilor Wade Brooksby; Councilor Frank Bubenik; Councilor Joelle Davis; Councilor Nancy Grimes; Councilor Ed Truax

Absent: Council President Monique Beikman

Staff City Manager Sherilyn Lombos; City Attorney Sean Brady; Community Services

Present: Director Paul Hennon; Deputy City Manager Sara Singer; Deputy City Recorder Nicole Morris; Information Services Manager Lance Harris; Police Captain Mark Gardner; Assistant City Manager Alice Cannon; Library Manager Jerianne Thompson

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ogden called the meeting to order at 5:47p.m.

1. *Tualatin Together Presentation.*

Cyndy Hillier, Tualatin Together Community Coalition Coordinator, and Carla Bennett, Washington County Tobacco Prevention and Education Program Coordinator presented updates on their programs.

Ms. Hillier explained how Tualatin Together is organized and their mission. She asked Council to consider an ordinance calling for smoke and tobacco free parks and city maintained areas. Ms. Hillier added that Tualatin Together and the Library Advisory Committee are in agreement that such an ordinance should be passed.

Ms. Bennett presented information and facts on the use of electronic cigarettes and smokeless products including dissolvable and combustible tobacco products. She stated one of their organization's focus areas is to reduce youth smoking rates by decreasing access and availability of tobacco products. She requested the Council adopt an ordinance for tobacco and smoke free areas for City properties and parks. An additional request to change the current smoke and tobacco free policies to include electronic smoking (e-cigarettes) devices was made.

Councilor Grimes asked about regulations surrounding e-cigarettes and minors. Ms. Bennett stated there are no regulations in place at this time for e-cigarettes.

Councilor Davis asked if there are age restrictions on dissolvable tobacco products. Ms. Bennett explained dissolvable products are regulated the same as regular tobacco products. Councilor Davis stated she is in support of an ordinance to make City properties and parks tobacco and smoke free.

Councilor Truax presented concerns with imposing an ordinance for tobacco and smoke free environments. He requested more information before making a decision.

Mayor Ogden asked what is accomplished by having smoke and tobacco free parks. Ms. Bennett stated that reducing access and availability helps to prevent teens from starting to smoke. Ms. Hillier added that posting signs in parks creates an environment that smoking in those locations is unacceptable. It also allows peers to self enforce the ordinance.

Councilor Davis expressed concerns over the negative impacts of smoking at city events. She noted these events are held in shared spaces and should be able to be enjoyed by all citizens without the negative impacts of second hand smoke.

Councilor Bubenik asked about smoking areas for employees. Ms. Bennett explained that creating a place for employees to smoke is not a best practice put forth by the CDC.

Mayor Ogden asked about the status of Hookah Bars being banned. Ms. Bennett stated that several communities in the state have banned these types of bars.

Councilor Grimes, Davis, Brooksby, and Mayor Ogden all support perusing an ordinance that would make all City properties and parks smoke and tobacco free. They would also like a draft policy that would prohibit the sale and possession of e-cigarettes to and by minors. It was agreed that this information would be brought back at a future work session for further review and discussion.

2. *Civic Facilities Study Update.*

Deputy City Manager Sara Singer updated the Council on the process for the Civic Facilities Study. She stated the goal of the project is to help the City plan for future facilities for the organization and the community. The project approach was presented along with key objectives. Deputy City Manager Singer highlighted the project schedule with the total process taking 6-8 months.

Councilor Brooksby asked why the process would take so long. Deputy City Manager Singer explained the time frame is typical for gathering the information needed to fully complete the study and gather the necessary community feedback.

Councilor Bubenik recommended a steering committee be formed that would work with staff on this project.

Mayor Ogden would like this project to be community driven. He would prefer a stakeholder committee be formed instead of a steering committee. He also requested monthly status reports on the project.

Councilor Grimes would like to make sure all the data is gathered before community meetings start and the consultant teams to be well versed in the facts. Deputy City Manager Singer stated a needs assessment will be completed before the community meetings begin and that the consultant team will be prepared with the technical information necessary for the community meetings and discussions.

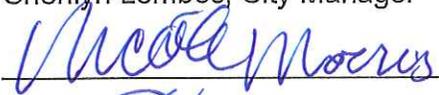
Councilor Brooksby requested community groups be asked for specific information instead of allowing broad input. He believes this will help the process run smoother.

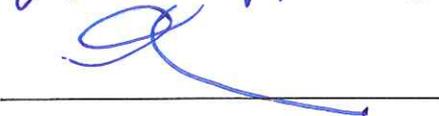
3. **Council Meeting Agenda Review, Communications & Roundtable.**

ADJOURNMENT

The work session adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

 / Nicole Morris, Recording Secretary

 / Lou Ogden, Mayor