



STAFF REPORT

CITY OF TUALATIN

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

FROM: Nicole Morris, Deputy City Recorder

DATE: 02/12/2018

SUBJECT: Consideration of Approval of the Minutes for the Work Session and Regular Meeting of January 22, 2018

ISSUE BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

The issue before the Council is to approve the minutes for the Work Session and Regular Meeting of January 22, 2018.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully recommends that the Council adopt the attached minutes.

Attachments: City Council Work Session Minutes of January 22, 2018
City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of January 22, 2018



Present: Mayor Lou Ogden; Councilor Frank Bubenik; Council President Joelle Davis; Councilor Nancy Grimes; Councilor Paul Morrison; Councilor Jeff DeHaan; Councilor Robert Kellogg

Staff Present: City Manager Sherilyn Lombos; Police Chief Bill Steele; Community Services Director Paul Hennon; Finance Director Don Hudson; Planning Manager Aquilla Hurd-Ravich; Deputy City Recorder Nicole Morris; Assistant to the City Manager Tanya Williams; Assistant City Manager Alice Cannon; Economic Development Manager Jonathan Taylor; Management Analyst II Kelsey Lewis; Parks and Recreation Manager Rich Mueller; City Engineer Jeff Fuchs; IS Director Bates Russell

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ogden called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

1. *Transportation Funding for Local Congestion & Neighborhood Safety.*

Assistant City Manager Alice Cannon, Consultant Clark Worth from Barney and Worth, and Consultant John Horvick from DHM Research presented information on tualatin transportation funding. Mr. Worth provided an overview of the results from opinion research they conducted regarding traffic congestion and neighborhood traffic safety in Tualatin. Research methods included conducting stakeholder interviews, focus groups, and a telephone survey. The research found opinions were very much the same. Stakeholders presented near unanimous support for a funding measure in 2018 as long as it is specific about projects and how congestion will be addressed. Potential funding levels were tested and \$100 a year or higher and provided a strong majority in favor of a measure. He concluded stating a bond funded project to improve traffic flow and neighborhood traffic safety has strong voter support in Tualatin.

Councilor Morrison asked for clarification on the test and retest of the phone survey results. Mr. Worth explained the testing process for the phone survey.

Mayor Ogden asked about the difference between hypothetical support and actual support. Mr. Horvick spoke to the strong indicators from the testing groups.

Councilor Grimes asked if the signature project list was shared with the group. Mr. Worth stated some projects were presented to the groups for feedback. Manager Cannon added the projects where pulled from council discussion in July and October.

Councilor DeHaan asked what the total value is for the signature project list. Manager Cannon stated it is estimated at \$45 million.

Councilor DeHaan asked how they arrived at the \$100 figure. Mr. Worth stated it was based on the series of projects Council discussed.

Mayor Ogden asked about the level of expectations from those who participated in the phone survey. Mr. Worth referred him to the sample results with the projects that were tested for specific feedback.

Councilor Davis spoke to the demographics of the groups. Mr. Worth noted support was the same across all demographics.

Mayor Ogden asked how long the bond would be. Director Hudson stated it would be a ten year bond, noting anything longer would be a lot more costly. He added the amount and the types of projects are what drove the choice for a ten year bond.

Councilor Bubenik asked how many current city bonds would age off in the next ten years. Director Hudson stated the Police, Parks, and Library bonds would be satisfied.

Mayor Ogden asked if the current bonds could be refinanced into one bond. Director Hudson stated he is unsure without further research if they can be refinanced.

Councilor Kellogg is in favor of a bond at fifty cents a thousand.

Councilor Bubenik expressed concerns with the dollar amount and the impact on the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

Councilor Morrison asked how quickly all the projects could be completed. Manager Cannon stated the City would aim to build out all the projects in five years.

Councilor DeHaan stated he is in favor of a bond at \$25 million.

Councilor Davis is in support of a bond at \$28 million. She stated the research groups demonstrated they are in favor of this.

Mayor Ogden stated he is in favor of a smaller project list at \$14 million and then going back for additional bonds in the future.

Councilor Davis asked how many projects on the priority list could be completed for \$14 million. Manager Cannon estimated all five congestion projects and half dozen neighborhood projects.

Councilor Morrison spoke in favor of a \$14 million bond.

Council took a break from the discussion at 6:12 p.m. and will resume after the Council meeting.

The Council reconvened the discussion at 7:26 pm.

Council consensus was reached to move forward with a bond at the May election.

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Councilor Davis would like to see the bond at \$28 million. She stated growing residential expansion in Sherwood and King City is going to be driving traffic to the freeway.

Councilor Bubenik would like to see the bond in the \$20 million range as it's enough to get a majority of the projects done.

Councilor Grimes expressed concern with the length of the list and its price at \$45 million. She would like to see the bond at \$25 million.

Councilor Morrison asked about staff capacity to complete the project. Manager Cannon stated she feels confident her staff can deliver this program. She noted a project manager would be hired to administer the program.

City Manager Lombos stated the Council should be united in a vote on one number. Councilor Bubenik concurred.

Councilor Kellogg stated he is not convinced a \$25 million bond will pass but he supports the bond.

Councilor Morrison concurred with Councilor Kellogg stating he won't opposed the bond. He would rather go forward with a smaller figure he knows will pass.

City Manager Lombos stated several projects on the list have been put together leveraging TDT funds that range from \$18-23 million. Manager Cannon stated she feels confident staff can make an impact with a \$20 million bond.

Council consensus was reached to move forward with a \$20 million dollar bond.

The discussion concluded at 8:20 p.m.

2. *Parks & Recreation Master Plan Update.*

Community Development Director Paul Hennon and MIG Consultant Cindy Mendoza presented an update on the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Ms. Mendoza presented a status update on the planning process stating the system inventory and analysis along with the needs assessment have been completed. They are currently working on an ADA assessment and transition. Ms. Mendoza reviewed community outreach. She noted more than 2,000 people have participated in the process. Outreach methods have included an online survey, pop up activities, focus groups, and stakeholder interviews. From that outreach seven themes were identified. Themes spoke to quality of life, trail connectors, improved facilities, inclusive communications, greater variety of activities, and increased access to natural features.

Director Hennon stated the next steps for the plan include preparing preliminary recommendations from MIG and staff. After that a presentation will be made to the Project Advisory Committee in the spring. Funding and action items will be discussed in the late summer and early fall. The project will conclude with the final plan review and adoption.

Councilor Kellogg asked about the findings from the ADA assessment. Ms. Mendoza

stated all facilities have been assessed and findings are still be compiled.

Councilor DeHaan asked what items are included in the current parks bond. Director Hennon outlined the items include in the measure.

3. Council Meeting Agenda Review, Communications & Roundtable.

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The work session adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

 Nicole Morris, Recording Secretary

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