



MINUTES
City Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 7, 2021 6:00 PM

COUNCIL PRESENT: Stan Pulliam, Mayor; Jeremy Pietzold, Council President; Richard Sheldon, Councilor; Kathleen Walker, Councilor; Carl Exner, Councilor; and Don Hokanson, Councilor

COUNCIL ABSENT: Laurie Smallwood, Councilor

STAFF PRESENT: Jordan Wheeler, City Manager; Jeff Aprati, City Recorder; Tyler Deems, Deputy City Manager / Finance Director; David Snider, Economic Development Manager; Mike Walker, Public Works Director; David Doughman, City Attorney; and Greg Brewster, IT/SandyNet Director

MEDIA PRESENT: Sandy Post

1. CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION - 6 PM

1.1. American Rescue Plan Act Funding Priorities

Staff Report - 0467

The **City Manager** and **Deputy City Manager** summarized the staff report, which was included in the agenda packet. The Council discussed how to use American Rescue Plan Act funds, exploring the following issues:

- Possible relief for frontline workers
- Previous use of CARES Act funds
- Possibility of mortgage/rent assistance
- Possibility of utility rate assistance for multifamily housing
 - Status of past due utility accounts
- Possible incentives to reduce fats, oils, and grease in the wastewater system
- The importance of developing fresh water supply plans
- The importance of equity in any business relief program
- Possible SandyNet expansion to underserved areas within city limits
 - The need to develop a new SandyNet master plan
- Possible stormwater system investment
- Opportunities to address homelessness
 - Concern about ongoing capacity to maintain new social services
- The possibility of creating a loan to one of the City's enterprise funds

- Concern about jeopardizing possible future funding opportunities
- The advantages of directing funds in a flexible manner
- The importance of City economic development staff proactively gathering input on relief strategy strategies from local businesses

The consensus of the Council was to prioritize the following uses of ARPA funds. Staff will further develop programs and bring items for Council approval as applicable.

- Incentives for installing traps and interceptors in food establishments to prevent fat, oil, and grease from entering the wastewater system
- Creation of 'shovel-ready' project plans for fresh water and wastewater system enhancement
- Business recovery assistance program(s), with focus on addressing the current labor shortage; accountability and transparency is essential
- Expansion of SandyNet to underserved areas within city limits
- Reimbursement of the Urban Renewal Fund for covered structure expenses

2. CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING - 7:30 PM

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call

5. Changes to the Agenda

Councilor Walker moved to remove "SandyNet Business IGA with Clackamas Broadband eXchange" from the agenda. The motion was not seconded.

6. Public Comment

None

7. Response to Previous Public Comments

8. Consent Agenda

8.1. **City Council Minutes** - August 16, 2021

Moved by Carl Exner, seconded by Don Hokanson

Approve the consent agenda.

CARRIED. 6-0

Ayes: Stan Pulliam, Jeremy Pietzold, Richard Sheldon,
Kathleen Walker, Carl Exner, and Don Hokanson

Absent: Laurie Smallwood

9. New Business

9.1. Request for Assignment of Hoodview Disposal Franchise

Staff Report - 0469

The **City Manager** summarized the staff report, which was included in the agenda packet. Ray Kahut and Jason Hudson provided remarks summarizing the request.

Council discussion ensued on the following topics:

- The importance of a community cleanup day as was previously conducted
- The possibility of recycling styrofoam
- Which other Clackamas County cities are served by Waste Connections
- Whether Hoodview branding would be retained
- Whether waste containers would need to be changed
- Whether the franchise agreement's renewal term should remain
- The potential consequences of Council disapproval
- The importance of advertising the cleanup program
- The possibility of future rate increases

The **City Manager** indicated staff would review the Council's input and return with a formal proposal for the Council's consideration at its next meeting.

9.2. Fund Exchange Agreement

Hwy 26 - Ten Eyck to Vista Loop Pedestrian Improvements Project

Staff Report - 0472

The **City Manager** and **Public Works Director** summarized the staff report, which was included in the agenda packet.

The Council asked questions about the following topics:

- The location of proposed retaining walls
- Retaining wall design relative to existing driveways
- Project schedule
- Relative elevations of sidewalks and Hwy 26

Moved by Richard Sheldon, seconded by Carl Exner

"Authorize City staff to enter into a Fund Exchange agreement with ODOT for \$685,200 to cover the City's share of the Hwy 26 - Ten Eyck to Vista Loop Pedestrian Improvement project, and direct staff to return to Council after bids are open if the lowest responsive bid exceeds \$2,577,251."

CARRIED. 6-0

Ayes: Stan Pulliam, Jeremy Pietzold, Richard Sheldon,
Kathleen Walker, Carl Exner, and Don Hokanson

Absent: Laurie Smallwood

9.3. **Guaranteed Maximum Price Proposal for Package 2**

Existing Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

Staff Report - 0470

The **Public Works Director** summarized the staff report, which was included in the agenda packet.

Moved by Carl Exner, seconded by Don Hokanson

"Accept the Guaranteed Maximum Price Proposal from Slayden Construction for work package #2 improvements at the existing wastewater treatment plant in the amount of \$1,477,235."

CARRIED. 6-0

Ayes: Stan Pulliam, Jeremy Pietzold, Richard Sheldon,
Kathleen Walker, Carl Exner, and Don Hokanson

Absent: Laurie Smallwood

9.4. **SandyNet Business IGA with Clackamas Broadband eXchange**

Staff Report - 0466

The **City Manager** and **IT/SandyNet Director** summarized the staff report, which was included in the agenda packet.

Council discussion about the proposed agreement ensued, covering the following topics:

- Whether a comprehensive business case / business plan has been developed for the proposal
 - Why are we doing it?

- How does it align with our goals?
- What are the benefits to the City?
- What is the anticipated return on investment?
- Has a risk analysis been performed?
- What is the timeline to accomplish the expansion?
- What is the marketing plan?
- Concern about becoming the ISP for outlying areas in the county
- Whether the City would have the ability to refuse a request for service
- The need to clearly understand the cost and impact of our obligations under the agreement
- Concern about potential impacts on service for Sandy residents
- Possible additional staff needed
- The need for a dedicated work session to study the issue
- Questions about the mission of SandyNet
- The need for an update to the SandyNet master plan
- The need for a rate analysis
- Advantages of paying down debt faster with additional revenue
- Economies of scale possible with additional staffing
- Making SandyNet self-sustaining is a Council goal
- The rationale of the SandyNet Advisory Board in recommending this action: bringing in additional revenue from outside the community to pay down debt faster and improve service capacity
- The need to understand the number of new customers expected, and the additional staffing required
- The need for a strategy / plan for growth

Staff stated that the costs of each installation are anticipated to be recovered in 4-5 months, and that it would indeed be possible to refuse a request for new service.

The consensus of the Council was to table the issue for the time being to allow staff to further study the concept and develop a more detailed business expansion proposal.

10. Report from the City Manager

- Staff will prepare a work session on the Special Service Contract Program; the Council can consider applications and possible administrative changes to the program.
- Regarding the proposal to pursue acquisition of presidential statues, staff learned that Portland's Regional Arts & Culture Council is in the midst of a policy review process that will affect plans for the statues, and that if they

were ever considered for sale, a substantial evaluation process would need to be completed before any transaction could take place.

- The League of Oregon Cities annual conference has been cancelled. The consensus of the Council was that the **Mayor** would serve as the City's representative with regard to voting at the virtual business meeting
- Staff are pursuing the option of a fireworks event on Halloween weekend

11. Committee /Council Reports

Councilor Hokanson

- Importance of rigor and transparency in staff reports
- A work session on Community Campus options could be useful soon

Councilor Exner

- Options for the aquatic center are being explored
- Bee City efforts continue - important input was gathered from local students
- The Arts Advisory Board should restart as soon as feasible
- The idea of installing sail cloths at Centennial Plaza should be explored

Councilor Walker

- Upcoming Corn Cross mountain bike race
- Upcoming Parks and Recreation Director interviews
- Importance of following up on the recently cleared homeless encampment
- Comprehensive Plan update proposal review underway
- Note of school related traffic on Bluff Rd

Councilor Sheldon

- Invitation for everyone to attend Chamber of Commerce events
- Acknowledgement that many municipalities have begun incorporating mental health and social services into their strategies for addressing homelessness; combining both services and accountability

Council President Pietzold

- Possibility of visiting/researching pool facilities in Central Oregon
- Possible non-compliance issue regarding new paint at the corner of University and Hwy 26
- Successful Hood to Coast relay
- School is back in session
- Urgency of moving forward on 362nd / Bell project
- Possibility of adjusting city limits, regarding the recent Hwy 211 jurisdiction transfer

Mayor Pulliam

- Importance of pedestrian safety with students returning to school
- Concern related to homelessness vis a vis covered structures
- Possibility of creating a standing agenda item related to homelessness
- Successful 110th anniversary celebration

12. Staff updates

12.1. [Monthly Reports](#)

13. Adjourn



Mayor, Stan Pulliam



City Recorder, Jeff Aprati