



**MINUTES**  
**City Council Meeting**  
**Monday, November 15, 2021 6:00 PM**

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

**COUNCIL ABSENT:**

**STAFF PRESENT:** Jordan Wheeler, City Manager; Jeff Aprati, City Recorder; Tyler Deems, Deputy City Manager / Finance Director; Ernie Roberts, Police Chief; Rochelle Anderholm-Parsch, Parks and Recreation Director; Mike Walker, Public Works Director; Emily Meharg, Senior Planner; and Greg Brewster, IT/SandyNet Director

**MEDIA PRESENT:** Sandy Post

**1. CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION - 6 PM**

**1.1. Homeless Taskforce Update**

Staff Report - 0505

The **City Manager** summarized the staff report, which was included in the agenda packet. The intention was to discuss policy options during this work session, and to consider proposed ordinance language at the next Council meeting.

The Council considered options for addressing homelessness in the community and discussed the following issues:

**General**

- Evolution of case law regarding homelessness in recent years.
- Application of the City's current code and its compliance with state law and case law.
- Restrictions on camping during certain hours of the day and/or night.
- Whether personal belonging can be retained by individuals who violate restrictions.
- Enforcement as a mechanism for connecting violators with social services; strategies employed until recently by the City of Gresham.

- Relative advantages and disadvantages of regulating time place and manner of camping, versus designating specific locations for camping. Other communities have facilitated the development of tiny homes to house individuals, but this approach involves financial, safety, and logistical challenges.
- The need to identify and catalogue social services available in the area.
- Concern about inadvertently attracting additional people from outside the community.
- Challenges regarding 'service resistant' individuals.
- Barriers to services for those without required personal documents.
- Importance of ensuring this issue is addressed without diverting financial resources from other City priorities.
- Opportunities for securing State and County funding to address homelessness
- The possibility of establishing a City position to connect homeless individuals with available resources and services.
- Differentiation between compassion and tolerance of inappropriate behavior.
- Recognition that some cities have allowed public camping beyond what is legally required.
- Possibility of prohibiting shopping carts.
- Desire for Council approval before regulation parameters are changed.

#### Recreational Vehicles

- Regulation of parking anywhere in rights-of-way, not solely paved streets.
- Possibility of a small permit fee to help fund the program.
- Applicability of requirements to multi-family housing units.
- Whether 72 hours is an appropriate permitting threshold.
- Concern regarding adverse/unintentional impacts on residents; recognition that visitors/guests driving RVs are common.
- Whether 6 permits per year is an appropriate limit.

#### Listening Session

- Desire to facilitate a listening session / forum including the Social Service Task Force, Homeless Task Force, Sandy Action Center, Sandy Connect, Sandy Police, Sandy Parks and Recreation, and Clackamas County to discuss opportunities to address homelessness in the community.
- Possibility of holding the event at an alternative location, not necessarily at City Hall.

2. CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING - 7 PM

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call

5. Changes to the Agenda

6. Public Comment  
(none)

7. Response to Previous Public Comments

8. Consent Agenda

8.1. City Council Minutes  
November 1, 2021

**Moved by Carl Exner, seconded by Kathleen Walker**

***Adopt the Consent Agenda.***

**CARRIED. 7-0**

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

9. Old Business

9.1. Select Date for Planning Commission Interviews

The interview panel includes **Mayor Pulliam; Councilors Sheldon and Walker;**  
and **Commissioner Mayton.**

The panel members discussed possible dates to conduct interviews of the  
seven applicants, and decided on Tuesday, November 23rd beginning at 6:00  
p.m.

9.2. 362nd and Bell Street Extension Project Update

Staff Report - 0503

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

The Council reviewed the updated cost estimates and discussed the following issues:

- The possibility of using ARPA revenue replacement funds to assist with making up the funding gap, though the impact to gas tax revenue during the height of the pandemic was relatively low
- The possibility of establishing advance financed public improvement reimbursement for the area
- Possible usage of urban renewal funds
- Financial commitments to this project relative to the Ten Eyck to Vista Loop pedestrian improvement project.
- Opportunities to secure additional funding through the City's government relations team.
- The need to be prudent with expenditures.
- The importance of the 362nd / Bell project as a Council priority.
- Possibilities for beginning the bidding process as soon as possible; concern regarding competing with other jurisdictions for available contractors.
- The tasks remaining to be accomplished (land use, wetlands permitting, right-of-way acquisition), and the importance of speeding up the process.
- Possibility of adjusting the Planning Commission meeting schedule to accommodate the project.
- Possible hazard mitigation on a particular parcel.
- The need for staff to provide the Council with a list and timeline of remaining tasks.
- Whether value engineering measures should be taken.
- The timing of utility installation.
- Council's consensus desire for the bidding process to begin in January, after right-of-way is acquired but potentially before the other remaining tasks are completed.

## 10. New Business

### 10.1. Declaration of Public Necessity: Bell St. - 362nd Extension Project

Staff Report - 0501

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

**Moved by Carl Exner, seconded by Laurie Smallwood**

***Adopt Resolution 2021-32.***

**CARRIED. 7-0**

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

**11. Report from the City Manager**

- An interview panel is needed for SandyNet Advisory Board interviews; **Councilors Hokanson, Pietzold, and Sheldon** volunteered.
- Rehabilitation of the wastewater collection system seems to be showing tangible results. The Council stressed the importance of communicating the improved performance, especially in the context of extreme precipitation events.
- Study of subterranean discharge alternatives is proceeding.
- Public Works Director interviews are proceeding well.

**12. Committee /Council Reports**

**Councilor Hokanson**

- A strategy is needed regarding lighting on city streets; lighting challenges were noted along Highway 26 near Vista Loop, and on Meinig.

**Councilor Exner**

- Public Works Director interviews are proceeding well.
- Restarting the Arts Advisory Board should be a priority; a work session on this topic will be added to the schedule.

**Councilor Walker**

- The Library Advisory Board will delay its work on the strategic plan; additional library space is desired at the Community Campus site.
- Robust turnout was seen for the Trick or Treat Trail and the Halloween Hunt events.
- Library checkouts are gradually increasing.
- The new **Parks and Recreation Director** was briefed on ongoing projects / initiatives.

**Councilor Sheldon**

- Thanks to all those participating in the City's efforts to address homelessness.
- Thanks to the Chamber of Commerce for organizing the Trick or Treat Trail.

**Councilor Smallwood**

- The Parks and Trails Advisory Board is studying two new proposed developments.
- Thanks to all those participating in the City's efforts to address homelessness.

**Council President Pietzold**

- Thanks to all those participating in the City's efforts to address homelessness.
- The City should make preparations for snow plowing.
- Les Schwab façade improvements are underway.
- Additional street sweeping service is needed.
- Opportunities to install lighting on utility poles should be seriously explored.
- New volunteers are interested in getting involved in arts in the community.

**Mayor Pulliam**

- The City should think big and make significant infrastructure investments.
- Conversations with ODOT have occurred regarding cost sharing for Vista Loop sidewalk improvements.
- C4 discussions have been centered on housing policy; some amount of funding will be available for Sandy for workforce housing.
- Stressed the importance of boards and commissions, and particularly the Planning Commission, transitioning to hybrid meetings.
- The in-person aspect of the tree lighting event should be highlighted.
- Kiwanis holiday activities are proceeding.

**13. Staff updates**

13.1. [Monthly Reports](#)

**14. Adjourn**



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Mayor, Stan Pulliam



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City Recorder, Jeff Aprati

