



MINUTES
City Council Meeting
Monday, August 1, 2022 6:00 PM

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

COUNCIL ABSENT: Don Hokanson, Councilor

STAFF PRESENT: Jeff Aprati, City Recorder; Tyler Deems, Deputy City Manager; Rochelle Anderholm-Parsch, Parks and Recreation Director; Don Robertson, Board Member; and Andi Howell, Transit Director

MEDIA PRESENT: (none)

1. CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION - 6:00 PM

1.1. Implementation Strategies to Increase Parks SDC's and Fee-in-Lieu

Staff Report - 0601

The **Parks and Recreation Director** summarized the staff report, which was included in the agenda packet. Technical details and a slide presentation (also included in the packet) were presented by FCS Group. Don Robertson, **Parks and Trails Advisory Committee Chair**, also provided recommendations, history/context, and perspectives on the importance of increasing charges and funding park system improvements.

Council discussion ensued on the following issues:

- Comparative differences between maximum possible charges and adopted charges in other cities
- Other cities are currently reviewing their charges for possible increases
- Other comparison cities may not have extensive trail systems
- Some of Sandy's parkland is undeveloped, which may impact service level calculations
- Whether other cities use bond funding to supplement their parks systems
- The importance on investing in high quality amenities, rather than a larger number of low quality amenities

- Differences between the usage of development fees versus reimbursement fees
- Investing in amenities in established neighborhoods versus new neighborhoods
- Efficiency of limiting new pocket parks
- Clarification that lower SDCs result in a longer timeline for implementation of the Parks and Trails Master Plan
- Clarification that reimbursement fees are more flexible, but they are limited to only a portion of the SDC
- History and context of the City's use of Fee in Lieu funding
- Concern regarding charging the maximum allowable amount
- Discussion regarding the impact of the possible future establishment of a parks special district
- Possible impacts of SDCs on home prices and housing affordability
- Support for an incremental implementation approach
- Desire to see an initial raise comparable with Sherwood and Happy Valley
- Need for legal clarity on usage of SDC funds in established parks
- Need to review the context of all SDCs being charges on development in the City, not only parks

It was the consensus of the Council that the Fee in Lieu amount should be raised as soon as possible, and that staff should present the Council with multiple implementation options for SDCs, including different total charges and different implementation timelines.

2. CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING - 7:00 PM

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call

Note: **Councilor Sheldon** temporarily left the meeting near the end of the Work Session, and rejoined near the end of Old Business

5. Changes to the Agenda

The Consent Agenda was moved to after New Business

6. Public Comment

(none)

7. Response to Previous Public Comments

(none)

8. Old Business

8.1. PUBLIC HEARING: Prohibition of Psilocybin-Related Businesses in Sandy Ordinance 2022-18

Staff Report - 0600

Staff Report

The **City Recorder** summarized the staff report, which was included in the agenda packet.

Public Testimony

Nathan Rasmussen, 2700 W Powell Blvd. #325, Gresham: research on the benefits of psilocybin treatment is promising; has personally found it beneficial with no ill effects

Shelley Denison, 2700 W Powell Blvd. #325, Gresham: noted her comments are hers alone and do not necessarily reflect the views of the City; emphasized the substantial research on psilocybin and its benefits; noted her own past mental health challenges and the hope that psilocybin treatment provides to her personally; emphasized the importance of Measure 109 to individuals struggling with mental health throughout the state and urged the Council to reconsider and reject the proposed ordinance.

Council Discussion

- Nothing prevents people from buying psilocybin in other nearby communities and bringing it to Sandy
- Measure 109 did not include any tax provisions
- Understanding and empathy toward those who need psilocybin
- Concern that psilocybin use could be abused
- Concern regarding increasing public safety impacts
- Comparisons to the Sandy's decision to not allow marijuana facilities
- Acknowledgement that psilocybin has benefits for some and research should continue
- Emphasis that Sandy is a small town and should not have to lead the way on such issues
- Possibility that the decision could be different if Measure 109 allowed for supervised clinical use only
- Clarification that the state law does not allow local governments to prohibit psilocybin facilities without approval of the voters in the jurisdiction

- Reiteration that the Council could choose to replace a general prohibition with more targeted time, place, and manner regulations in the future

Moved by Laurie Smallwood, seconded by Carl Exner

Close the public hearing.

CARRIED. 5-0

Ayes: Stan Pulliam, Jeremy Pietzold, Laurie Smallwood,
Kathleen Walker, and Carl Exner

Absent: Richard Sheldon and Don Hokanson

Moved by Laurie Smallwood, seconded by Carl Exner

Approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-18

CARRIED. 5-0

Ayes: Stan Pulliam, Jeremy Pietzold, Laurie Smallwood,
Kathleen Walker, and Carl Exner

Absent: Richard Sheldon and Don Hokanson

Moved by Jeremy Pietzold, seconded by Carl Exner

Approve the second reading of Ordinance 2022-18

CARRIED. 5-0

Ayes: Stan Pulliam, Jeremy Pietzold, Laurie Smallwood,
Kathleen Walker, and Carl Exner

Absent: Richard Sheldon and Don Hokanson

8.2. **Resolution 2022-19**

Note: **Councilor Sheldon** rejoined the meeting during this item.

The **City Recorder** summarized the staff report, which was included in the agenda packet.

Moved by Jeremy Pietzold, seconded by Laurie Smallwood

Adopt Resolution 2022-19

CARRIED. 6-0

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

Absent: Don Hokanson

9. New Business
(none)

10. Consent Agenda

10.1. **City Council Minutes**

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10.2. **Authorization of TriMet Subrecipient Agreement**

Staff Report - 0603

Moved by Carl Exner, seconded by Richard Sheldon

Adopt the Consent Agenda

CARRIED. 4-0

Ayes: Stan Pulliam, Richard Sheldon, Kathleen Walker, and
Carl Exner

Abstained: Jeremy Pietzold and Laurie Smallwood

Absent: Don Hokanson

11. Report from the City Manager

The **Deputy City Manager** updated the Council on several upcoming events, including Starlight Cinema, Summer Sounds, National Night Out, and the Employee Picnic.

12. Committee /Council Reports

Councilor Exner

- Concern regarding large trucks on Langensand

Councilor Walker

- The Library is organizing great events
- Kiwanis will soon host a community breakfast event
- Need for a meeting on housing density calculations

Councilor Sheldon

- Staff needs to take action regarding large trucks on residential streets

- Thanks to staff for improving pedestrian crosswalk visibility on Dubarko
- A ribbon cutting event will occur soon for the new storage facility

Councilor Smallwood

- Tour of parks is upcoming
- Concern regarding the lack of updates to Council on how property owners affected by the 362nd / Bell project are being accommodated

Council President Pietzold

- Economic Development Advisory Board met again on the strategic planning project
- Concern regarding garbage trucks picking up too early without adequate public notice

Mayor Pulliam

- The Transit Department is looking into microtransit possibilities
- Met with the owner of the Smith Building; possibilities exist for a high end grocery store, a tasting room, and/or office space
- Estacada is experiencing challenges related to the location of a new splash pad
- The multiple community events and use of covered structures are creating a great summer atmosphere

13. Staff updates

13.1. [Monthly Reports](#)

14. Adjourn



Mayor, Stan Pulliam



City Recorder, Jeff Aprati