



**MINUTES**  
**City Council Meeting**  
**Tuesday, January 3, 2023 7:00 PM**

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

**COUNCIL ABSENT:** (none)

**STAFF PRESENT:** Jordan Wheeler, City Manager; Jeff Aprati, City Recorder; Tyler Deems, Deputy City Manager; Rochelle Anderholm-Parsch, Parks and Recreation Director; and Ernie Roberts, Police Chief

**MEDIA PRESENT:** Sandy Post

**1. CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. OATHS OF OFFICE**

**3.1. Mayor and City Councilors' Oaths of Office**

Staff Report - 0641

The **City Recorder** administered oaths of office to **Mayor Pulliam, Councilor Mayton, Councilor Smallwood, and Councilor Exner.**

**Councilor Mayton** expressed his thanks and his desire to serve the community and pursue the priorities of its residents.

**Councilor Smallwood** noted she is looking forward to continuing to serve and to making progress on important projects for the City.

**Councilor Exner** also noted he is looking forward to continuing to serve the community.

**Mayor Pulliam** stated that while Sandy still has work to do on significant challenges, tremendous progress has been made. Collective effort and

cooperation with other entities will be necessary. Notable objectives include finishing the 362nd / Bell extension, prioritizing urban renewal funds, fixing issues and loopholes in the municipal code, completing the Comprehensive Plan update, and going all-in on tourism. He stated that Sandy still maintains the benefits of small town life but is increasingly able to offer amenities typically available in larger towns.

**4. Roll Call**

**5. Changes to the Agenda**

**6. ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

**6.1. Election of Council President**

Staff Report - 0642

Councilor Mayton nominated **Councilor Smallwood**. The nomination was seconded by Councilor Exner.

Councilor Walker nominated **Councilor Hokanson**. The nomination was seconded by Councilor Sheldon.

A roll call vote was taken. The results were as follows:

Mayton: *Smallwood*

Smallwood: *Smallwood*

Sheldon: *Hokanson*

Walker: *Hokanson*

Exner: *Smallwood*

Hokanson: *Hokanson*

Pulliam: *Smallwood*

***Laurie Smallwood*** was elected as Council President by a vote of 4 to 3.

**7. Public Comment**

Jeremy Pietzold: offered appreciation and gratitude for the thanks and well wishes he received in recognition of his long service to the City. He looks forward to continuing to serve the community in other capacities.

**8. Response to Previous Public Comments**

(none)

**9. Consent Agenda**

9.1. **City Council Minutes**

December 19, 2022

9.2. **Appointment of Library Advisory Board Members**

Staff Report - 0649

It was noted that the Library Advisory Board applicants were very impressive

**Moved by Richard Sheldon, seconded by Kathleen Walker**

***Adopt the consent agenda***

**CARRIED. 5-0**

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

Abstained: Chris Mayton and Don Hokanson

**10. New Business**

10.1. **Hoodview Disposal & Recycling Rate Increase Discussion**

Staff Report - 0647

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

Representatives from Hoodview Disposal explained that their business is experiencing cost increases and inflation pressures, and that a rate increase is unfortunately necessary.

Council discussion ensued on the following topics:

- Whether competitor companies are experiencing the same challenges and pursuing the same rate increases. Staff indicated they will gather information and report back to the Council
- Whether staff have performed due diligence and verified that the tipping fee increases reported by Hoodview are accurate. Staff indicated they will gather information and report back to the Council
- Whether it would be possible to institute financial hardship assistance programs; staff indicated they will gather information and report back to the Council
- Whether rates could decrease in the future if the CPI falls

- Whether a cap on rates exists in the franchise agreement
- Whether it would be possible to consider future rate adjustments in the summer, in concurrence with reviews by Clackamas County which has personnel on staff with expertise in this area
- The need for the City Attorney to review the franchise agreement to determine whether the City has any discretion to deny a rate increase request
- The measures Hoodview has taken to notify customers of service impacts, including phone calls, emails, and social media posts
- The need for Hoodview to post service impacts on their website as soon as possible
- The effects of recent service interruptions during Christmas

10.2. **Contract Award for Community Campus Park Improvement Project**

Staff Report - 0648

The **Parks and Recreation Director** summarized the staff report, which was included in the agenda packet.

Council discussion ensued on the following topics:

- Composition of the Project Advisory Committee, and its role in the project process
- Details on the public engagement process
- Importance of engaging with local skatepark experts/specialists, as well as local users
- Importance of engaging with law enforcement on safety issues
- Note that these design contracts total approximately one fourth of the current Parks SDC balance

**Moved by Kathleen Walker, seconded by Laurie Smallwood**

***Approve the award of the design and engineering contract to Lango Hansen Landscape Architects, and authorize the City Manager to execute a contract in the amount of \$418,120 for the Community Campus Park Improvement Project***

**CARRIED. 7-0**

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

**Moved by Laurie Smallwood, seconded by Chris Mayton**

***Approve the award of the design and public engagement of a pump track and skate park to American Ramp Company, and authorize the City Manager to execute a contract in the amount of \$52,080 for the Community Campus Park Improvement Project***

**CARRIED. 7-0**

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

**11. Report from the City Manager**

- Notes on the impacts of recent storms and cleanup efforts
- Reminder that the next council meeting will also occur on a Tuesday
- Goal setting is tentatively scheduled for February 18th
- City Day at the Capitol is on January 25th; councilors are encouraged to sign up
- The next CCA dinner will be in Oregon City
- Thanks to the Parks and Recreation staff for the Holiday Lights at Meinig Park events

**12. Committee /Council Reports**

**Councilor Hokanson**

- Praise for the Holiday Lights at Meinig; suggestion to organize those willing to come in costume next year
- Desire for radar speed signs

**Councilor Exner**

- Praise for the **Community Center Manager's** efforts during recent freezing weather
- Note on his upcoming trip out of the country

**Councilor Walker**

- Need for coordination and strategy before City Day at the Capitol
- Praise for the Holiday Lights at Meinig; suggestion for more collaboration with community groups next year
- Concern regarding visibility at the intersection of Hwy 26 and Hwy 211
- Need for better signage at the intersection of Dubarko and the Tickle Creek Trail

**Councilor Sheldon**

- Praise for Public Works employees during recent storms

**Council President Smallwood**

- Praise for Public Works employees during recent storms
- Praise for the Holiday Lights at Meinig
- Concern regarding the response time for ambulance service in Sandy, and the possible lack of rigorous contract standards. The Council discussed the problem and suggested that staff gather response time data from Clackamas County, which may be followed by a letter of concern from the City

**Councilor Mayton**

- Wishes to attend City Day at the Capitol

**Mayor Pulliam**

- Congratulations to Councilor Smallwood on becoming Council President
- Praise for the Holiday Lights at Meinig, and for reopening the event after recent storms
- Praise for Public Works employees during recent storms
- Praise for the warming centers opened during recent freezing temperatures
- Note that he will be absent for the next meeting
- Thanks to the Council for their dedication and service to the community

**13. Staff updates**

13.1. [Monthly Reports](#)

**14. Adjourn**



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Mayor, Stan Pulliam



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City Recorder, Jeff Aprati