



MINUTES
City Council Meeting
Monday, March 6, 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; Josh Soper, City Attorney; and Jenny Coker, Public Works Director

MEDIA PRESENT: (none)

1. CITY COUNCIL EXECUTIVE SESSION - 6:00 PM

The City Council met in executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(h)

2. CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING - 7:00 PM

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call

5. Changes to the Agenda

(none)

6. Public Comment

Katie Hieb: attended the meeting on behalf of Representative James Hieb; they look forward to continuing to work with the City.

Dave Carter: complimented the City on the recent storm response. Expressed concerns about sidewalk planter strips; would prefer 5 foot sidewalks immediately adjacent to the curb; street trees damage sidewalks. Inquired about sidewalks being constructed at the Vista Loop development site near a retention pond; suggested bark dust would be more appropriate.

7. Response to Previous Public Comments

8. Consent Agenda

8.1. **City Council Minutes**

February 18, 2023

February 21, 2023

8.2. **Budget Committee Appointments**

Staff Report - 0671

8.3. **Amendment No. 5 – Collection System Rehabilitation: Basin 2 and 8**

Staff Report - 0672

8.4. **Contract for Sandercock Reservoir Repairs**

Staff Report - 0673

The Council expressed its appreciation of the staff work that went into the large items on the consent agenda, and thanked the Council subcommittees whose oversight work facilitated usage of the consent agenda.

Moved by Don Hokanson, seconded by Carl Exner

Adopt the consent agenda.

CARRIED. 6-0

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

Absent: Richard Sheldon

9. New Business

9.1. **Draft 2023-25 City Council Goals**

Staff Report - 0674

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

The Council made the following edits to the draft Council Goals:

Public Safety and Community Livability

- Clarify the elements included in the traffic officer program beyond staffing
- Explore funding opportunities offered by other levels of government

- Add specific language regarding traffic speed
- Refer to it as a 'traffic safety program'
- (The Council discussed adding language on the Homelessness Task Force, but it was noted that it has now facilitated two important code changes, and should stand by to address future issues as needed)

Public Works

- Refer to 'sustainable infrastructure,' and add the importance of pursuing state and federal funding
- Plan for safety improvements at Dubarko/Hwy 211, rather than 'construct'
- Add language on stormwater needs, referring to the importance of building the fund balance in anticipation of a future master plan
- Note the need to replenish the Street Fund

Community Planning and Economic Development

- Note 'events and projects,' rather than just events
- Add the need to adopt and implement the Economic Development Strategic Plan, which will include business recruitment
- (The Council discussed adding language on Pleasant Street and the 362nd/Bell area, but noted this would be more appropriately addressed by SURA)

Parks & Recreation

- Add language specifically about swim lessons and water safety
- Add language on expanding volunteer opportunities
- (The Council discussed adding language about arts, but a majority felt this was addressed under the 'volunteer opportunities' language.)

SandyNet

- (The Council discussed the importance of ensuring that compensation is structured to adequately retain needed talent)

Library

- (The Council discussed the amount of general revenue that will be needed by the Library going forward)

Transit

- Add language regarding increasing ridership of the shopper shuttle specifically, increasing the usage of transit within the city's boundaries, and noting the safety and convenience of routes within the city

City Operations

- Add language about increasing Council effectiveness through updating the Council Rules and reviewing Council Policies

The Council also stressed the importance of cost recovery across the organization

10. Report from the City Manager

- The second Community Campus Park survey is in process
- Sandy's CCA dinner will occur on March 23rd
- Staff is tracking the legislative session, including a number of bills related to housing production that are being fast-tracked; the City has concerns about preemption of local control, and about unfunded requirements to produce more housing

11. Committee /Council Reports

Councilor Hokanson

- Collaboration with Multnomah County is occurring regarding opposition to the closure of the Legacy Mt. Hood birth center

Councilor Exner

- The Sandy Fire District has signed the intergovernmental agreement with Clackamas Fire; he is seeking information on who the City will need to liaise with in the future. The Council discussed code changes that may need to occur with operations now being conducted by Clackamas Fire.
- Safety concerns at the intersection of Hwy 26 and Ten Eyck; collaborations with stakeholder agencies will be necessary to make any changes

Councilor Walker

- Concerns regarding possible County funding cuts to the library network systems; budget impacts of the County's new courthouse project
- Recognition of the work being done on water and wastewater projects
- The recent open house for the Community Campus Park went well; individuals attended who had expensive pump track experience

Councilor Sheldon

- Recognition of Public Works storm response
- Agreement on the urgency of addressing safety concerns at the intersection of Hwy 26 and Ten Eyck; possibilities for staggering lights

Council President Smallwood

- The recent open house for the Community Campus Park went well
- The Economic Development Strategic Plan is nearing completion; the Economic Development Advisory Board will finalize its recommendation next month
- The Parks and Trails Advisory Board will meet this week

Councilor Mayton

- The Planning Commission reviewed the Water Master Plan, and began a hearing on a mixed use development
- Recognition that the Economic Development Strategic Plan will be the first of its kind for Sandy
- Recommendation that the City adopt a policy that elected and appointed officials keep cameras on whenever possible while in virtual meetings

Mayor Pulliam

- Has been meeting frequently with members of the Capital Construction Committee; they have been generally receptive of the City's funding request
- Had a productive meeting with the Executive Director of the League of Oregon Cities on the importance of local control and of LOC's role in advocating for cities
- The Community Campus Park offers exciting possibilities for Sandy
- Chronic vacant buildings in the city need to be addressed, particularly if owners have no intention of filling spaces and/or improving the building. Though individual situations can be complicated, a work session on policy options is needed.

12. Staff updates

12.1. [Monthly Reports](#)

13. Adjourn



Mayor, Stan Pulliam

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Aprati". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

City Recorder, Jeff Aprati