

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

February 20, 2007

The minutes of the proceedings of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Coos Bay, Coos County, Oregon, held at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 500 Central Avenue, Coos Bay, Oregon.

Those Attending

Those present were Mayor Jeff McKeown and Councilors Michele Burnette, Mark Daily, Jon Eck, Roger Gould, Stephanie Kramer, and John Muenchrath. City staff present were Interim City Manager Joyce Jansen, Acting Deputy Recorder Jackie Mickelson, City Attorney Nate McClintock, Finance Director Janell Howard, Fire Chief Stan Gibson, Library Director Carol Ventgen, Operations Administrator Steve Doty, Planning Administrator Laura Barron, and Police Chief Eura Washburn.

Flag Salute

Mayor McKeown opened the meeting and led the assembly in the salute to the flag.

Consent Calendar

Mayor McKeown reviewed the consent calendar which consisted of approval of the minutes of January 2 and 16, 2007; adoption of Resolution 07-03 accepting insurance proceeds; adoption of Resolution 07-04 accepting FEMA Mitigation Grant; adoption of Resolution 07-05 accepting FEMA Firefighter Grant; and approval to surplus 1973 and 1976 La France Fire Engines. Mayor McKeown requested adoption of Resolution 07-05 accepting FEMA Firefighter Grant be brought down to item 3a. Councilor Eck moved to approve the consent calendar as amended. Councilor Daily seconded the motion which passed with Mayor McKeown and all Councilors present voting aye.

Presentation of Skateboard Park Plan by Cathi Thompson, C-Bay

Cathi Thompson, C-Bay, reported a fundraiser for the skateboard park would be held at the Oregon Coast Culinary Institute on March 3rd, and gave a brief update on the fundraising efforts and donations for the project. Ms. Thompson explained the project had been broken into four phases, gave a brief review of each phase, and requested approval from the Council for the proposed plan. Mayor McKeown requested a staff report with recommendations from the Parks Commission be presented at the next Council meeting.

Adoption of Resolution 07-05 accepting FEMA Firefighters Grant

Fire Chief Stan Gibson requested the City Council adopt Resolution 07-05 accepting FEMA Firefighter Grant and award of the contract to Ward Diesel. Councilor Burnette moved to adopt Resolution 07-05 accepting the FEMA Firefighters Grant. Councilor Daily seconded the motion which passed with Mayor McKeown and all Councilors present voting aye. Councilor Burnette moved to award the contract to Ward Diesel. Councilor Daily seconded the motion which passed with Mayor McKeown and all Councilors present voting aye.

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Consideration of Approval of Amendments to Coos Bay-North Bend Water Board Agreements – Presented by Rob Schab

Rob Schab, Coos Bay-North Bend Water Board Manager, explained the Water Supply Expansion Project and the Bay Crossing Water Pipeline Project were amendments to the Economic and Community Development Department agreements on financing projects. Mr. Schab explained Amendment No. 4 related to the Water Supply Expansion Project and the most significant modification was to change the completion date to December 31, 2008. Mr. Schab explained Amendment No. 2 was related to the Bay Crossing Water Pipeline Project and the change was to reduce the loan amount from \$450,000 to \$125,000 because only one pipe was installed. Councilor Gould moved to amend the Water Supply Expansion Project loan agreement by amending the completion date from December 31, 2006 to December 31, 2008 and to comply with the current laws. Councilor Eck seconded the motion which passed with Mayor McKeown and all Councilors present voting aye. Councilor Gould moved to amend the Bay Crossing Water Pipeline Project loan agreement from the existing \$450,000 to \$125,000. Councilor Eck seconded the motion which passed with Mayor McKeown and all Councilors present voting aye.

Consideration of Approval of a Local Improvement District on Harris Avenue

Operations Administrator Steve Doty, reported owners of property located on North Empire Blvd. and Harris Avenue applied for a Local Improvement District to pave portions of Harris Avenue and North Empire Blvd. and they have asked to have the \$1,000 fee waved. Councilor Eck moved to accept the application and include the fees in the payment of the Local Improvement District. Councilor Daily seconded the motion which passed with Mayor McKeown and all Councilors present voting aye.

Appointments to the Historic Design Review Committee

Mayor McKeown commented there were three openings on the Historic Design Review Committee and three applicants. The Planning Commission recommendation is to reappoint Mrs. Kathi Netter and Mrs. Darla Lesan and appoint Ms. Margaret DeBell. Councilor Kramer moved to approve the reappointment of Mrs. Kathi Netter and Mrs. Darla Lesan and the appointment of Ms. Margaret DeBell to the Historic Design Review Committee. Councilor Eck seconded the motion which passed with Mayor McKeown and all Councilors present voting aye.

Appointments to the Budget Committee

Mayor McKeown commented the City Council interviewed applicants on February 15th and appointed Howard Forte, Mike Gaudette, Gene Melton, Gary Rifkin and Dudi Wittwer to the Budget Committee.

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Consideration of Approval of a Proposed Concept of Dedication of Property Located at Marple and Division Streets

Planning Administrator Laura Barron explained Mr. and Mrs. Blair Sturges had their property surveyed and found a portion of their lot was paved and they would like to donate this portion to the City. Councilor Gould moved to accept the dedication as presented. Councilor Eck seconded the motion which passed with Mayor McKeown and all Councilors present voting aye.

Department Head Report by Fire Chief Stan Gibson

Fire Chief Stan Gibson gave a brief review of the Fire Department's last year's accomplishments and this year's goals. Mayor McKeown congratulated Chief Gibson for his success in applying for grants.

Public Comments

No public comments were given.

City Attorney's Report

No report was given.

City Manager's Report

Interim City Manager Joyce Jansen commended the Public Works Department for successfully treating the weeds in Mingus Park lake; congratulated the Port of Coos Bay for receiving an award for an outstanding grant project at the Charleston boat ramp; encouraged everyone to attend the Art Museum's 2007 Vision Art display; and reported a work shop on the basic budget law would be held in Florence on February 28th.

City Council Comments

Councilor Eck commented a ground breaking ceremony for the new airport terminal would be held at the airport Saturday at 10 a.m. Councilor Burnette commented she had the opportunity to see the Lab Band perform and encouraged everyone to attend a performance. Councilor Gould commented he went to Salem to participate in the rally to support funding for public schools; and the local Boys & Girls Club will be the presenters at the Regional Board Conference in Seattle and would talk about the history of the Boys and Girls Club and services provided.

Mayor McKeown commented he had spent time with the community and various City departments to get ideas of what they would like from their new mayor, and he would like to consider some of the ideas when setting the council goals. Mayor McKeown reported he attended a Town Hall meeting in Eugene for Senators Smith and Wyden, and informed the Senators that the loss of timber revenue affected not only the County but the City as well. He spoke with Marshfield High School Principal Travis Howard about having a student representative come the Council meetings on a regular basis; requested a restroom at the

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board walk be an agenda item; and suggested exploring a possible gas tax to be designated for streets and street maintenance.

Executive Session

Councilor Eck moved to go into executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2)(f) for consideration of information exempt from public inspection, and (h) consultation with legal counsel concerning legal rights and duties regarding litigation likely to be filed. Councilor Kramer seconded the motion which passed with Mayor McKeown and all Councilors present voting aye.

The Council reconvened into regular session.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor McKeown adjourned the meeting to March 6, 2007 in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Jeff McKeown, Mayor

Attest:

Jackie Mickelson, Acting Deputy Recorder