

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

February 6, 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, Public Works and Development Director Jim Hossley, Finance Director Janell Howard, Library Director Carol Ventgen, 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 December 5, 19, and 20, 2006, approval of the audit agreement with Pauly Rogers and Company, and approval of appointments to the Parks Commission and Tree Board. Councilor Eck moved to approve the consent calendar as presented. Councilor Muenchrath seconded the motion which passed with Mayor McKeown and all Councilors present voting aye.

Public Hearing on a Request for Proposed Amendments to the Coos Bay Comprehensive Plan, Volume III, Coos Bay Estuary Management Plan: Relocation of Southwest Oregon Regional Airport Taxiway C (ZON 2006-00101)

Planning Administrator Laura Barron read the public hearing disclosure to the assembly and explained the Coos County Airport District was proposing to shift Taxiway C at the Southwest Oregon Regional Airport 75 feet to the south of its current location in order to meet Federal Aviation Administration separation and safety requirements from Runway 4-22. Ms. Barron commented two amendments needed to be approved and the Planning Commission recommended approval of the plan amendments on January 9, 2007. Ms. Barron noted Exception #27 needed to be corrected to be #28. Mayor McKeown opened the public hearing. Laura Jackson, Corvid Consulting, Portland, OR, a representative of the Coos County Airport District, briefly reviewed the reason for the exception. There being no other comments, Mayor McKeown closed the public hearing.

Councilor Gould moved to amend Part 3 Volume III to the Coos Bay Comprehensive Plan Coos Bay Estuary Management Plan to list Exception #28 Statewide Planning Goal 16, to allow fill to the Estuary. Councilor Daily seconded the motion. Acting Deputy Recorder Jackie Mickelson read the ordinance by title only and Ordinance No. 393 amending Coos Bay Comprehensive Plan 2000, Volume III, Part 3, to Add Exception #28 – Aquatic Unit 52–NA – Southwest Oregon Regional Airport Runway 4-22 and Taxiway C Separation and Safety Area passed with the following vote:

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Aye: Mayor McKeown and Councilors Kramer, Daily, Eck, Burnette, Muenchrath, and Gould.
No: None
Absent: None

Councilor Gould moved to amend Part 1 of Volume III, aquatic unit 52-NA to allow fill of a specific area for the purpose of shifting Taxiway C 75 feet to the Coos Bay runway south. Councilor Daily seconded the motion. Acting Deputy Recorder Jackie Mickelson read the ordinance by title only and Ordinance No. 394 amending Coos Bay Comprehensive Plan 2000, Volume III, Part 1, to Add the Use “Fill For Taxiway Relocation” in Aquatic Unit 52-Natural Aquatic passed with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor McKeown and Councilors Kramer, Daily, Eck, Burnette, Muenchrath, and Gould.
No: None
Absent: None

Consideration of Adoption of Resolution 07-02 Supporting Coos County’s Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness in Coos County

Bob More, Coos Bay, read Resolution 07-02 Supporting Coos County’s Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness in Coos County. Mr. More commented Coos County has taken the lead in leadership and asked if a Coos Bay Councilor would like to volunteer to be on the oversight committee. Mayor McKeown commented he would be happy to serve on the Committee. Councilor Burnette moved to adopt Resolution 07-02. Councilor Eck seconded the motion which passed with Mayor McKeown and all Councilors present voting aye. Paul Carlson, Seattle, WA, Representative of the Federal Interagency Council for Homelessness briefly reviewed the mission summary.

Report on Affordable Housing Presented by Crystal Shoji

Crystal Shoji, Shoji Planning and Development, distributed a county demographics housing program from the year 2000 and a summary on affordable housing programs, and reviewed affordable housing options for the City of Coos Bay.

Discussion on Ed Lund Park Proposal

Interim City Manager Joyce Jansen explained in late December the City received a proposal from Jim Loftin, President of the Community Park Foundation, to take over the maintenance of the Ed Lund Park and to develop a community center in the building. Councilor Eck reported the Parks Commission reviewed the proposal and recommended not accepting the proposal because Channel 14 is currently using the building. There was discussion by the Council of alternative locations for Channel 14 and moving expenses.

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Appointments of City Council Representatives to Various Committees and Boards

Interim City Manager Joyce Jansen reported City Councilors serve as City representatives on various city and community boards, and she and Mayor McKeown have proposed council appointments to various committees and boards for each Councilor. It was a consensus of the Council to approve the recommendations.

Consideration of Approval of Purchase of Police Department Vehicles

Police Chief Eura Washburn requested approval to purchase two 2007 Ford Crown Victoria police vehicles through the State of Oregon Cooperative Purchasing Program at a total cost of \$67,448.00. There was discussion by the Council on the bid process. City Attorney Nate McClintock commented the local contracting rules require either going with the State bid or getting three quotes. Councilor Burnette moved to approve the purchase of the two 2007 Ford Crown Victoria vehicles through the State of Oregon Cooperative Purchasing Program at a total cost of \$67,448.00. Councilor Kramer seconded the motion which passed with Mayor McKeown and all Councilors present voting aye.

Discussion on a Letter to Senators Regarding County Financing

Mayor McKeown requested the City send a letter to the Senators in support of funding for Coos County. It was a consensus of the Council to send a letter to Senators Gordon Smith and Ron Wyden.

Clarification of City Council Audit Committee

Mayor McKeown commented his intention was for the Audit Committee to be a long standing committee and recommended adding Councilor Burnette to the committee. It was a consensus of the Council to add Councilor Burnette to the committee.

Discussion of the Audit Bill from Wall and Wall CPA

Mayor McKeown commented he would like the Audit Committee to review the support documentation from Wall and Wall and bring back a recommendation to the Council. There was discussion of discussing the report in open session. Councilor Gould commented because of significant legal issues he would recommend this subject be referred to the Audit Committee for review and then bring a recommendation back to the Council. Councilor Gould moved to go into an executive for purposes of discussing potential litigation. Councilor Burnette seconded the motion. Councilor Eck requested going into the executive session after the regular City Council and Urban Renewal Agency meetings were completed. Councilor Gould withdrew his motion based on Councilor Eck's request. The motion was tabled until after the regular meetings are completed.

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Public Comments

Geno Landrom, Coos County, expressed concern about the effect Senate Bill 49 would have on the use of the dunes.

City Attorney's Report

No report was given.

City Manager's Report

Interim City Manager Joyce Jansen requested the Council consider interview dates for the Budget Commission and Parks Committee, and a work session on System Development Charges (SDCs); commented a work session on the 2007/08 budget has been scheduled for March 1st; and Dick Jamsgaard, President of Local Chapter of Historic Railway, will provide the Council with an update in March. There was a consensus to have interviews on February 15th for the Budget Commission and to hold a work session for the SDCs on February 22nd.

Council Comments

Councilor Kramer commented she was honored to be part of the oral board for the Police Department. Councilor Daily commended the local Lab Band and commented they are the number one jazz band in the nation. Councilors Eck, Burnette, Muenchrath, and Gould had no comments. Mayor McKeown met with two engineers from Pack Gen provided by the Energy Trust to assess city facilities and give recommended changes.

Executive Session

Councilor Roger Gould moved to go into executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2) (h) for consultation with legal counsel concerning legal rights and duties regarding current litigation or litigation likely to be filed. Councilor Burnette seconded the motion which passed with Mayor McKeown and all Councilors present voting aye.

The City Council reconvened in regular session.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor McKeown adjourned the meeting to February 20, 2007 in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Jeff McKeown, Mayor

Attest:

Jackie Mickelson, Acting Deputy Recorder