

## MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

June 16, 2009

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 Mark Daily, Jon Eck, Joanie Johnson, Stephanie Kramer, Gene Melton, and John Pundt. City staff present were City Manager Chuck Freeman, City Attorney Nate McClintock, City Clerk Amy Kinnaman, Public Works and Development Director Jim Hossley, City Engineer Carl Nolte, Finance Director Rae Lea Cousens, Fire Chief Stan Gibson, Economic and Community Development Manager Joyce Jansen, and Police Chief Rodger Craddock.

### Interviews of Committee Applicants

The City Council interviewed Elena Keizer and Bruce Bennett for the openings on the Library Board. No decisions were made.

### Review of Capital Improvement Plan

A work session was held to discuss the Capital Improvements Plan. No decisions were made.

### 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 June 2, 2009; approval of annual OLCC license renewals for Abby's Legendary Pizza of Coos Bay, Bayshore Chevron, Blue Heron Bistro, Coney Station Inc., Hours & Ours Inc., Cranberry Sweets Inc., Dawson's Stein Room, Ocampo Blue Moon Inc., Oregon Coast Culinary Institute, Empire 7-Eleven Store #2363-17090C, Smith's Bayway Market, Sunset Pub and Wanda's; approval of an OLCC license for EZ Thai Restaurant; approval of the Coos Art Museum (CAM) contract renewal; approval of the annual Library District contract renewal; adoption of Resolution 09-16 extending workers' compensation coverage to City volunteers; evaluation of City Manager's salary in view of recent evaluation; and approval to set a public hearing date before the Planning Commission for the vacation of Schetter Avenue lying between N. Main and N. Morrison Streets. Mayor McKeown requested the adoption of Resolution 09-16 extending workers' compensation coverage to City volunteers and the evaluation of City Manager's salary in view of recent evaluation be moved onto the agenda as items 3A and 3B. Councilor Kramer moved to approve the consent calendar as amended. Councilor Eck seconded the motion which carried with Mayor McKeown and Councilors Daily, Eck, Johnson, Kramer, Melton, and Pundt voting aye.

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### **Appointments to the Library Board**

The City Council interviewed applicants for two openings on the Library Board. Councilor Melton moved to approve the appointment of Elena Keizer and Bruce Bennett to the Library Board. Councilor Kramer seconded the motion which carried with Mayor McKeown and Councilors Eck, Johnson, Kramer, and Melton voting aye. Councilors Daily and Pundt abstained due to not attending the interview process. Elena Keizer and Bruce Bennett were each appointed to four year terms ending June 30, 2013.

### **Adoption of Resolution 09-16 Extending Workers' Compensation Coverage to City Volunteers**

Councilor Kramer moved to approve the adoption of Resolution 09-16 Councilor Johnson seconded the motion which carried with Mayor McKeown and Councilors Daily, Johnson, Kramer, Melton, and Pundt voting aye. Councilor Eck abstained Councilor Pundt abstained from the vote and is deemed, pursuant to the provisions of 4.7.4 of the Rules of the City Council, to have voted with the majority, which approved the motion.

### **Evaluation of City Manager's Salary in View of Recent Evaluation**

City Attorney Nate McClintock stated the City Manager's current salary is at a step three of the July 1, 2008 salary schedule. In view of City Manager recent evaluation an increase to step four would be \$116,592, step five \$122,424 or step six \$128,544; annually. Mr. McClintock noted on July 1, 2009 the various steps previously mentioned are budgeted to receive a cost of living increase. Councilor Kramer moved to increase the City Managers salary by one step to step four. Councilor Johnson seconded the motion which carried with Mayor McKeown and Councilors Daily, Eck, Johnson, Kramer, Melton, and Pundt voting aye.

### **Presentation of a Proclamation on South Coast Hunger Awareness Week by Rollie Lobsinger**

Rollie Lobsinger stated the Proclamation on South Coast Hunger Awareness Week would identify the City of Coos Bay as a community that recognizes the importance of food drives and fundraisers to help those who are going hungry. Adoption of the Proclamation would identify July 4-11, 2009 as South Coast Hunger Awareness Week. Councilor Eck moved to approve the proclamation. Councilor Kramer seconded the motion which carried with Mayor McKeown, Councilors Daily, Eck, Johnson, Kramer, Melton, and Pundt voting aye.

### **Presentation on a Marketing Program by CB/NB Visitors and Convention Bureau Director Katherine Hoppe**

Katherine Hoppe, Director of the Coos Bay-North Bend Visitors Bureau stated a grant from the Oregon Tourism Commission provided the funding to produce convention packet consisting of guides and local resources along with a video presentation featuring opportunities and highlights of the surrounding Coos Bay, North Bend and Charleston area. Ms. Hoppe stated the city's at-large representative, Cindy Rawlings, recently presented the video at the Oregon State Rotary meeting who then approved holding their annual convention in Coos Bay which will bring 500 people to our area for the weekend. Ms. Hoppe thanked the community for all of their help

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and support with the project.

**Public Hearing on a Proposed Ordinance on Ratifying and Affirming Recovery Agreements for Sewer Improvements Approval of the Ordinance will Require Enactment of the Proposed Ordinance**

City Attorney Nate McClintock stated in December of 2005 and January of 2006, the City entered into three Recovery Agreements, one each with Ike Parker, Steve Auer and Elton Thompson. All three Agreements involved extensions of existing main sewer lines to the developments being built by each of the aforementioned individuals. The purpose of Recovery Agreements is to ensure if the undeveloped properties are later developed and connected to the new sewer line, the owner of such property would pay his proportional share of the cost of the improvement; 95% of any such payment would go to the developer, with the City retaining five percent as compensation for administering the agreement. Mr. McClintock stated the necessary procedural requirements were not followed in obtaining these Recovery Agreements. In 2008 the City was involved in litigation over the validity and interpretation of Recovery Agreement 2005-01 after Mr. Parker sold his property to a third party. Litigation was recently settled; as such the City is taking the necessary steps to resolve future litigation by requesting the enactment of an ordinance which retroactively ratifies all three of the Recovery Agreements and to clarify the reimbursement obligation of the Recovery Agreement does not apply to the lots/parcels within the developments which were the basis for the Recovery Agreements.

Mayor McKeown opened the public hearing. No public comments were made.

Councilor Kramer moved to enact the ordinance to ratify and affirm Recovery Agreements for Sewer Improvements. Councilor Melton seconded the motion. City Clerk, Amy Kinnaman read the ordinance by title only and Ordinance 415 was enacted by the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Jeff McKeown and Councilors Mark Daily, Jon Eck, Joanie Johnson, Stephanie Kramer, and Gene Melton.

No: None

Absent: None

Councilor Pundt abstained from the vote and is deemed, pursuant to the provisions of 4.7.4 of the Rules of the City Council, to have voted with the majority, which approved the motion.

**Public Hearing on a Supplemental Budget for the Street Improvement Fund for Fiscal Year 2008-09 – Approval of the Supplemental Budget will Require Adoption of Resolution 09-15**

Public Work and Development Director Jim Hossley stated the Street Improvement Fund had a budget shortfall of \$63,000; the Major Capital Reserve Fund had an unappropriated carryover of \$33,000 available to be appropriated as a transfer to the Street Improvement Fund; and the Street Improvement Fund had an unappropriated carryover of \$30,000. Mr. Hossley requested a transfer and appropriation to the Street Improvement Fund for Capital Outlay to cover costs

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associated with paving projects and the costs to have “shovel ready” projects as required to receive stimulus dollars. Mayor McKeown opened the public hearing. No public comments were made. Councilor Kramer moved to adopt Resolution 09-15 adopting the supplemental budget and making appropriations. Councilor Johnson seconded the motion which carried with Mayor McKeown and Councilors Daily, Eck, Johnson, Kramer, Melton, and Pundt voting aye.

### **Public Hearing on a Supplemental Budget for the State Gas Fund for Fiscal Year 2008-09 – Approval of the Supplemental Budget will Require Adoption of Resolution 09-18**

Finance Director Rae Lea Cousens stated the General Fund had an unappropriated carryover balance of \$30,000 available to be appropriated as a transfer to the State Gas Fund to balance the State Gas Fund due to budgeted shortfalls. Ms. Cousens stated the budgeted shortfall is due to declining Gas Tax and Interest revenues over the past three years. Mayor McKeown opened the public hearing. No public comments were made. Councilor Kramer moved to adopt Resolution 09-18 adopting the supplemental budget and making appropriations. Councilor Eck seconded the motion which carried with Mayor McKeown and Councilors Daily, Eck, Johnson, Kramer, Melton, and Pundt voting aye.

### **Approval of Public Improvements for Brookside Estates Subdivision – Approval Will Require Adoption of Resolution 09-17**

Public Work and Development Director Jim Hossley stated on December 16, 2008 the City Council approved the final plat for the Brookside Estates subdivision which included a Contract for Completion of Improvements; enabling the developer, S&K Property Development LLC, to move forward with obtaining construction loans before the infrastructure was completed and formally accepted by the City. Mr. Hossley stated the public improvements were now complete and a resolution for the acceptance of the improvements is required to allow the lots in the subdivision to be sold. Councilor Eck moved to adopt Resolution 09-17 giving final acceptance to the Brookside Estates Subdivision. Councilor Johnson seconded the motion which carried with Mayor McKeown and Councilors Daily Eck, Johnson, Kramer, Melton, and Pundt voting aye.

### **Award of Work Order, Change Order, Purchase of Equipment and Advertise for Design-Build Services**

Public Work and Development Director Jim Hossley presented a request for a Change Order No. four in the amount of \$3,096 for Wastewater Construction Project HH-2 which required additional excavation and pavement for the removal and installation of a new pipe; Work Order No. E15 in the amount of \$51,400 for the design of collection system improvements as required by the DEQ Mutual Agreement Order (MAO); Request to Purchase a mainline camera, transportation vehicle, wheels, connectors and generator in the amount of \$38,154.71 to televise the underground piping system which will address the increased focus on I/I (inflow/infiltration) as stipulated in the MAO; Request to Purchase a new tractor truck in the amount of \$120,605 to replace the existing 1989 white tractor truck used to pull the sludge trailer; Request to Advertise for Proposals for design/build services and energy trust projects for Wastewater Treatment Plant No. One and Two. Councilor Johnson moved to award the request for approval of the work order, change order, purchase of equipment and to advertise

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for design-build services as presented. Councilor Eck seconded the motion which carried with Mayor McKeown, Councilors Daily, Eck, Johnson, Kramer, Melton, and Pundt voting aye.

### **Discussion on Council Agenda Review**

Councilor Mark Daily stated it was his understanding the Council ceased the agenda review meetings prior to the City Council meeting citing the need for transparency. Mr. Daily stated agenda reviews should be open to the public and asked for a consensus of the Council. It was the consensus of the Council for the two members conducting the City Council and Urban Renewal Agency meetings to meet with the City Manager for the purpose of agenda review and all other Councilors with questions to meet with the City Manager on a one on one basis.

### **Public Comments**

Steve Pickering 2170 N 28th St; requested greater detail be provided for the consent calendar including listing the names of OLCC applicants up for approval; Mike Vaughn 598 N. Fourth Ct; stated he agreed with Mr. Pickering citing the need for greater transparency.

### **City Attorney's Report**

No report was given.

### **City Manager's Report**

City Manager Chuck Freeman stated the Land Board approved the sale of 5.274 acres to the Urban Renewal Agency; Division of State Lands is waiting to hear back from the City as to the next step; Dedication of the new VA Clinic in North Bend will be held Friday June 19, 2009 at 1:00 PM, the community is invited to attend; Sunday from 1:00-3:00 PM the Confederated Tribes is holding a Blessing of the Community Center BBQ, all are invited to attend; a Public Service Answering Point (PSAP) Steering Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday June 22, 2009 from 8:00-9:00 AM.

### **Council Comments**

Councilor Daily requested the Chamber Contract renewal be added to agenda for the July 7, 2009 City Council Meeting; a big thank you to Bob Vandervelden who was instrumental in transplanting shrubbery from the First Presbyterian Church for use throughout the city; thanked the Public Works Department for sprucing up all the planters around town; Councilor Johnson stated John from Coast Carpet thanked the Council for volunteering their time and for the great job the Council is doing; the 16<sup>th</sup> annual Maritime Art Museum Exhibit will hold their dinner and silent art auction fundraiser on Saturday July 11, 2009 at 5:00 PM, the cost is \$30 for Coos Art members and \$35 for non members. Anyone interested should RSVP to the Coos Art Museum at 267-3901; Councilor Melton stated the Egyptian Theatre group implemented a business plan and continue to make great efforts to locate other funding opportunities; encouraged the community to continue to support the Egyptian Theatre; Library Board Foundation is looking to expand the Library in the future; the First Presbyterian Church was demolished on Monday in preparation for the new Fire Station; Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM the new VA Clinic in North Bend will be dedicated and invited everyone to attend. Councilor Pundt stated the addition of plants at Ed Lund Park looked great and expressed his thanks to Bob Vandervelden for making

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it happen; the Clamboree celebration will take place in Empire on Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM. Councilor Kramer also thanked George and Bob Vandervelden of Living Waters Aqua Scapes who were able to save 95% of the landscape from the Church; Hollering Place sign looks great. Councilor Eck reminded everyone of the upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> of July events at Mingus Park, with fireworks over the Bay to follow that evening. Mayor McKeown stated it was nice to see the progress on the new Fire Station; attended a League of Oregon Cities meeting and noted numerous Bills at the State level that may affect the city, including Gas Tax revenues; met with a representative from a water investment fund who suggested the EPA is looking to make a ruling on pharmaceuticals found in wastewater and suggested the City look further into the matter; would like to review the Committee's and other appointments for Council Members at the next City Council Meeting.

**Executive Session**

An executive session was held pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2) (d) for the Purpose of Discussing Labor Negotiations.

**Adjourn**

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor McKeown adjourned the meeting. The next regular Council meeting is scheduled for July 7, 2009 in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Attest:



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Rae Lea Cousens, City Recorder

  
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Jeff McKeown, Mayor

City of Coos Bay

Resolution 09-15

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COOS BAY, COOS COUNTY, OREGON ADOPTING A SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS.**

WHEREAS, appearing to the City Council that the City of Coos Bay has complied with the provisions of ORS 294.480 (4) providing for supplemental budgets including the publication and public hearing as required; and

WHEREAS, additional resources and requirements have been determined as set forth below:

Major Capital Reserve Fund

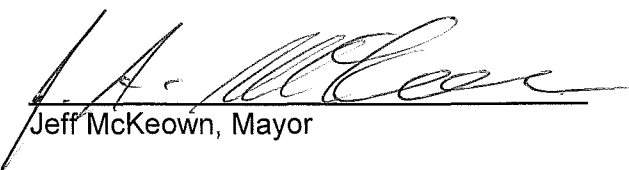
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| Resources:                           |  |            |
| Carryover                            |  | \$ 33,000  |
| Requirements:                        |  |            |
| Transfer to Street Improvement Fund: |  | \$ 33,000  |
| New Total Resources & Requirements   |  | \$ 454,000 |

Street Improvement Fund

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| Resources:                               |  |            |
| Carryover                                |  | \$ 30,000  |
| Transfer from Major Capital Reserve Fund |  | \$ 33,000  |
| Requirements:                            |  |            |
| Capital Outlay                           |  | \$ 63,000  |
| New Total Resources & Requirements       |  | \$ 197,000 |

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Coos Bay City Council of the City of Coos Bay, Oregon, hereby adopts the 2008-09 Supplemental Budget as set forth above, and appropriates the sums as shown above.

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Coos Bay, Coos County, Oregon this 16th day of June 2009.

  
Jeff McKeown, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Rae Lea Cousens, City Recorder

**City of Coos Bay**

**Resolution 09-16**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COOS BAY, COOS COUNTY, OREGON  
EXTENDING THE CITY OF COOS BAY'S WORKERS' COMPENSATION  
COVERAGE TO VOLUNTEERS OF THE CITY OF COOS BAY.**

WHEREAS, the City of Coos Bay elects the following pursuant to ORS 656.031, workers' compensation coverage will be provided to the classes of volunteer workers listed on the attached Volunteer Election Form.


1. An assumed monthly wage of \$3,000 for Volunteer Firefighters and \$1,800 for Police Reserves will be used; and
2. An aggregate assumed annual wage of \$2,500 will be used per volunteer board, commission and/or council for the performance of administrative duties; and
3. Non-public safety volunteers will keep track of their hours and have their assumed payroll reported in the correct class code for the type of work being performed using Oregon minimum wage; and
4. A roster of active volunteers will be kept monthly for reporting purposes. It is acknowledged that CIS may request copies of these rosters during year-end audit; and
5. Unanticipated volunteer projects or exposure not addressed herein will be added onto the City of Coos Bay's coverage agreement (1) by endorsement, (2) with advance notice to CIS, and (3) allowing two weeks for processing. It is hereby acknowledged that coverage of this type cannot be backdated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Coos Bay to provide for workers' compensation insurance coverage as indicated above. This resolution will be updated annually.

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Coos Bay, Coos County, Oregon, 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 2009.

ATTEST:

  
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Rae Lea Cousens, City Recorder

  
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Jeff McKeown, Mayor



**CITY OF COOS BAY  
RESOLUTION 09-17**

**A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF ALL PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS FOR BROOKSIDE ESTATES SUBDIVISION LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF WOODLAND DRIVE, SOUTH OF LYNNE DRIVE, IN THE CITY OF COOS BAY, COOS COUNTY, OREGON**

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2007, the City received an application of Partition II/Subdivision ZON2007-00030 from Joel Sweet, S & K Property Development, LLC, and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2007, upon conclusion of public hearing, the Planning Commission voted to recommend that the City Council approve the preliminary plat for "Brookside Estates" subdivision to partition approximately 2.9 acres into 17 lots located on the west side of Woodland Drive adjacent to the city limits boundary, subject to the following conditions:

1. All changes/corrections/additions to the preliminary plat addressed in the County Surveyor's March 22, 2007 must be reflected in the final plat prior to approval of the City Council.

Items set forth in finding 3h., below, must be reflected in the final plat prior to approval of the City Council;

2. The waste water pressure line must be shown on the public improvements plan;
3. A fire hydrant must be located no more than 400 feet from a dwelling as Measured on the path of vehicle access. The hydrant must have a minimum flow of 1,000 gallons per minute; alternative fire protection may be approved by the Coos Bay Fire Chief;
4. Cut and fill areas, proposed finished grades, and retaining walls must be shown with the plans for the Excavation/Fill Permit Application;

Compaction tests must be completed, documented and provided to the Public Works and Development Department;

5. Recommendations must be provided by a geotechnical engineer, or other qualified expert, for the feasibility and stabilization of cut and fill slopes, and controlling all surface water and drainage paths (creeks, etc.), including erosion control measures and slope stabilization devices to ensure the stability of the slope and must be included with the detailed engineering design for the streets and retaining walls. This information must be provided to the Department with the plans for the Excavation/Fill Permit Application;
6. The final plat must contain a written explanation of the purpose of the area for recreational spaces, commonly owned or held for common use, a description of any improvements to be made and a description of the manner in which the area will be perpetuated, maintained and administered.

The preservation and continued maintenance of property and/or structures commonly owned and/or held for common use shall be guaranteed by a restrictive covenant running with the land specifying the description of the area, its designated purpose(s), and maintenance assurances. Copies of these legal documents must be filed with the Public Works and Development Department before occupancy of any dwelling.

The deed reference number of the document creating the homeowner's association must be referenced on the final plat;

7. The final plat must contain a reference to any deed restrictions that will pertain to development of the subdivision (Conditions, Covenants and Restrictions);
8. Approval of ZON2007-00029, requesting an 8-foot Variance to the 36-foot-wide pavement for streets within the proposed subdivision is required prior to approval of the tentative plat; and,
9. A wetland delineation must be completed to verify the dwellings will be sited outside of the wetland area, or that appropriate mitigation will take place for any impacts to a wetland area. The delineation must be completed and submitted to the Department prior to the issuance of any grading/excavation permits.

WHEREAS, on May 1, 2007, the City Council voted to adopt the Planning Commission's Recommendation to approve the preliminary plat for "Brookside Estates" subdivision subject to the noted conditions, and

WHEREAS, on December 9, 2008, the final map was reviewed by city staff prior to the completion of public improvements and it was determined the plat was technically correct and is substantially the same as approved on the preliminary plat and is in compliance with provision of the law and of this ordinance in that a Contract for Completion of Improvements, ensuring completion of all required public improvements to the specification of the city of Coos Bay, has been filed in the County records and referenced on the final map, and


WHEREAS, on December 16, 2008, the City Council approved the final plat, which included the Contract for Completion of Improvements signed by S & K Property Development, LLC, and

WHEREAS, on June 5, 2009 all supplementary material was reviewed by city staff and it was determined all required public improvements have been completed to the specification of the city of Coos Bay.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall confirm final acceptance of all public improvements as such public improvements are set forth and identified on the final plat.

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Coos Bay, Coos County, Oregon this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 2009.

  
Jeff McKeown, Mayor

ATTEST:   
Rae Lea Cousens, City Recorder

City of Coos Bay

Resolution 09-18

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COOS BAY, COOS COUNTY, OREGON ADOPTING A SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS.**

WHEREAS, appearing to the City Council that the City of Coos Bay has complied with the provisions of ORS 294.480 providing for supplemental budgets including the publication and public hearing as required; and

WHEREAS, additional resources and requirements have been determined as set forth below:

| <u>General Fund</u>                  |              |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Resources:                           |              |
| General Fund, Carryover              | \$ 30,000    |
| Requirements:                        |              |
| General Government, Non-Departmental | \$ 30,000    |
| Transfer State Gas Fund:             |              |
| New Total Resources & Requirements   | \$11,069,671 |
| <br>                                 |              |
| <u>State Gas Fund</u>                |              |
| Resources:                           |              |
| Transfer from General Fund           | \$ 30,000    |
| Total Resources & Requirements       | \$ 891,000   |

In prior Resolution 09-09, March 3, 2009, adopting a Transfer from the General Fund to the State Gas Fund in the amount of \$100,000, an error was made by increasing the Requirements in the State Gas Fund by the same \$100,000. There was no need for such an increase to the Requirements of the State Gas Fund, as the Fund held enough appropriation authority to take into account the increase in Resources.

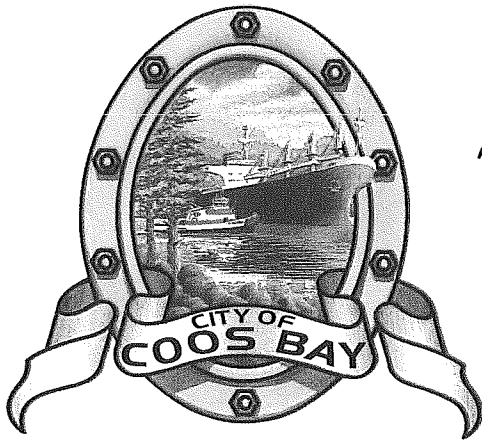
NOW, THEREFORE, Resolution 09-18, June 16, 2009 does hereby correct this error by decreasing the Requirements for the State Gas Fund from \$991,000 to \$891,000 as originally appropriated per Resolution 08-15, June 3, 2008 for Fiscal Year 2008-2009. The Transfer into and increase in Resources for the State Gas Fund as shown in this Resolution 09-18 also do not increase the Requirements in the State Gas Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Coos Bay City Council of the City of Coos Bay, Oregon, hereby adopts the 2008-09 Supplemental Budget as set forth above, and appropriates the sums as shown above.

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Coos Bay, Coos County, Oregon, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 2009

ATTEST: Rae Lea Cousens  
Rae Lea Cousens, City Recorder

Jeff McKeown  
Jeff McKeown, Mayor



# Proclamation

WHEREAS, *South Coast Hunger Awareness Week* will increase the discussion among South Coast communities on the issues of food insecurity, hunger, childhood nutrition and other food challenges for low income and vulnerable individuals, families and children, and recognize that more needs to be done in Coos Bay to improve the opportunities for families living in poverty;

WHEREAS, Oregon Coast Community Action is a dynamic organization that is working toward a vision of all South Coast households thriving, and living with dignity, security and hope – by providing services that house, feed, warm and educate vulnerable families and children in our community;

WHEREAS, over 200,000 people in Oregon use emergency food boxes each month;

WHEREAS, thousands of people in Coos County live in poverty and with the rising cost of food and other necessities, and more people are struggling to make ends meet in these difficult economic times;

WHEREAS, most adult emergency food recipients work full time, are retired or disabled; and keeping individuals, families and children healthy and promoting awareness of hunger in our region is a vital responsibility;

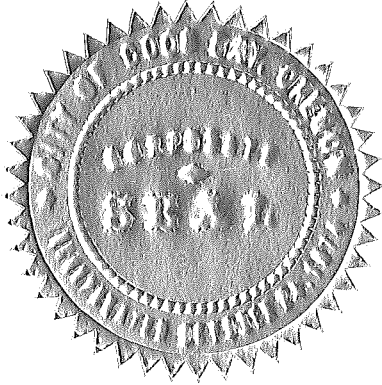
WHEREAS, 36% of all those who ate food from an emergency food box last year were children; and hungry children are at more risk for illness, behavioral problems and struggle in school;

THEREFORE, in Coos Bay, Oregon, individuals, families, businesses, organizations, and others should take advantage of the many activities, food drives, and fundraisers available throughout *South Coast Hunger Awareness Week*, and do their part July 4 -11 to help those who are going hungry in our community by celebrating food and nutrition for everyone regardless of their income status, supporting Oregon Coast Community Action in making donations, or becoming more informed by visiting [www.orcca.us](http://www.orcca.us);


NOW, THEREFORE, I Jeff McKeown, Mayor of Coos Bay, do hereby proclaim July 4 through July 11 as

## ***South Coast Hunger Awareness Week***

and encourage all citizens to work together to promote the issues of hunger and food insecurity, improve the opportunities of the hungry in our communities, and increase awareness and understanding of hunger, nutrition and food in our city.



In witness thereof, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Coos Bay to be affixed on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 2009.

  
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Jeff McKeown, Mayor