

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

May 1, 2012

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 Library Meeting Room, 525 Anderson Avenue, Coos Bay, Oregon.

Those Attending

Those present were Mayor Crystal Shoji and Councilors Jennifer Groth, Jon Hanson, Stephanie Kramer, Gene Melton, John Muenchrath, and Mike Vaughan. City staff present were City Manager Rodger Craddock, City Attorney Nate McClintock, Finance Director Susanne Baker, Deputy Finance Director Amy Kinnaman, Public Works and Development Director Jim Hossley, Library Director Sami Pierson, and Police Chief Gary McCullough.

Flag Salute

Mayor Shoji opened the meeting and asked Trish McMichael to lead the Council and assembly in the salute to the flag.

Public Comments

Trish McMichael, North Bend: stated she was the Internship Coordinator for Southwest Oregon Community College; thanked Susanne Baker and the Finance Department staff for hosting a student intern for two terms and noted the Police Department was currently hosting a student intern.

Consent Calendar

Mayor Shoji reviewed the consent calendar which consisted of 3a: approval of the minutes of April 17, 2012; and 3b: approval of a change of ownership for a liquor license for the Lighthouse Market. Councilor Groth moved to approve the consent calendar approving the minutes of April 17, 2012 and approving the change of ownership for a liquor license for the Lighthouse Market. Councilor Muenchrath seconded the motion which carried with Mayor Shoji and Councilors Groth, Hanson, Kramer, Melton, Muenchrath, and Vaughan voting aye.

Presentation on the Raise Me Up Proclamation by Commission on Children and Families Community Development Coordinator Laurie Voshell

Commission on Children and Families Community Development Coordinator Laurie Voshell stated in 2009 the Casey Family Program partnered with the Oregon Department of Human Services, Oregon Judicial Department, and the Commission on Children and Families to meet goals to safely reduce the use of foster care placements, increase the number of children in relative foster care, reduce the disproportionate number of Native and African Americans in foster care, and reduce the child abuse and neglect recurrence rate. The Raise Me Up proclamation would help bring awareness of the number of children in foster care and the need of support. Ms. Voshell read the proclamation aloud, declaring the month of May, 2012 as Raise Me Up Month. Councilor Groth moved to approve the Raise Me Up proclamation. Councilor Melton seconded the motion which carried with Mayor Shoji and Councilors Groth, Hanson, Kramer, Melton, Muenchrath, and Vaughan voting aye.

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Adoption of Resolution 12-08 Approving a Grant Award from Citycounty Insurance Services (CIS)

Finance Director Susanne Baker stated the City was awarded a grant through Citycounty Insurance Services (CIS) for up to \$20,000 which encompassed \$10,000 for a CIS pilot program to install backup sensors on various vehicles and \$10,000 for risk management CIS approved projects. CIS provided the grants to the City to fund a test program to determine whether the installation of backup sensors on city owned vehicles would prevent or at least lessen the number of vehicle claims. Ms. Baker noted if the program was successful, the City would experience a lower amount of vehicle claims and CIS might implement the program for other members. Both grants combined would provide the funds for installation with the balance available for opportunities for similar CIS approved programs yet to be determined. Councilor Muenchrath moved to adopt Resolution 12-08 approving a grant award from Citycounty Insurance Services. Councilor Kramer seconded the motion which carried with Mayor Shoji and Councilors Groth, Hanson, Kramer, Melton, Muenchrath, and Vaughan voting aye.

Adoption of Resolution 12-09 Approving a Grant Award from Bay Area Hospital for Smoke Detectors

City Manager Rodger Craddock stated the Fire Department was awarded a Community Foundation Grant of \$1,000 for the purchase of 100 smoke alarms for homes with elderly, small children, and low income. Councilor Kramer moved to adopt Resolution 12-09 accepting the grant from the Bay Area Hospital Foundation in the amount of \$1,000 and placing that money in the Materials and Services budget for the Fire Department. Councilor Muenchrath seconded the motion which carried with Mayor Shoji and Councilors Groth, Hanson, Kramer, Melton, Muenchrath, and Vaughan voting aye.

Consideration for Approval of Central Avenue Emergency Sewer Repair Change Order

Public Works and Development Director Jim Hossley stated the City contracted with Laskey-Clifton to perform an emergency sanitary sewer and storm replacement on Central Avenue and N. 7th Street for \$111,946. The original scope of work was to replace both the sanitary sewer and storm lines on Central Avenue, between N. 6th and N. 7th Street and replace the sanitary sewer on N. 7th Street between Central and Commercial. Due to unknown subsurface conditions, the contractor did not quote on the street repair. Mr. Hossley advised during construction of the project approximately 12 inches of concrete was discovered underneath the asphalt surface of Central Avenue; there was no rock base underneath the road and the material that was under the concrete was loose sand for a depth of approximately five feet. Staff determined the street should be reconstructed due to the underlying material not being acceptable by today's standards and would result in visible sinkholes, slumps, and cracking of asphalt. Mr. Hossley advised in order to perform the emergency repair, the construction crew had to saw cut a trench approximately 25 feet in width; the trench cut further compromised the structural integrity of the concrete. Staff could not recommend patching the trench section without fixing the entire width of the street and requested a change order from Laskey-Clifton to remove the concrete, re-grade the street, construct subgrade per City Standards and re-asphalt the entire width. Due to the emergency nature of the project, staff requested Laskey-Clifton to proceed with the work under the change order in the amount of \$47,059.65; for total contract amount of \$159,005.65.

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Councilor Muenchrath inquired if the emergency job could have been drilled prior to requesting the bid to better determine the total cost of repair. Mr. Hossley advised under normal circumstances the City would investigate to pre-determine the subsurface conditions; but in this case timing was an issue and the investigation would have required an additional contract and cost. Councilor Kramer moved to approve the award of the "after-the-fact" change order for the emergency contract for the storm and sanitary sewer repair along Central Avenue and N. 7th Street for \$47,059.65. Councilor Muenchrath seconded the motion which carried with Mayor Shoji and Councilors Groth, Hanson, Kramer, Melton, Muenchrath and Vaughan voting aye.

City Attorney's Report

City Attorney Nate McClintock introduced Coos County Assistant County Council Josh Soper; stated he was mentoring Mr. Soper, who was recently hired by Coos County.

City Manager's Report

City Manager Rodger Craddock reminded the Council there was an Urban Renewal work session scheduled for Saturday, May 6, 2012 from 9 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; reported the Coos Bay North Bend annual cleanup resulted in the collection of over 27,000 pounds of garbage, 1,100 pounds of donated can goods for Community Action, and \$117 for the Coos County Animal Shelter; and noted over a two day period last week 600 volunteer hours were donated in effort to remove over 190 cubic yards of invasive species from Mingus Park

Council Comments

Councilor Vaughan recommended staff provide a breakdown on proposed change orders. Public Works and Development Director Jim Hossley advised staff could provide the information going forward. Councilor Vaughan suggested the traffic islands at Central Avenue and N. 7th Street should be re-constructed since equipment was already onsite to address the storm line repair. City Manager Rodger Craddock suggested the use of Urban Renewal dollars to fund the project. It was the consensus of the Council for Councilor Vaughan to work with the City Manager to pursue future consideration of the project. Councilor Hanson expressed his thanks for the foster care families. Councilor Muenchrath was sorry he was unable to attend the recent budget committee meetings but was pleased with how quickly the committee approved the budgets. Councilor Kramer thanked the City staff for the well prepared budgets; stated she recently attended the fundraiser for the Lab Band and Egyptian Theatre and noted it was a fun event. Councilor Melton reported the South Coast Development Council (SCDC) was working on coordinating with local groups to write letters to the Governor to support the re-appointment of Port of Coos Bay Commissioners. Mayor Shoji reported the Coos Historical and Maritime Museum would have a workshop at Library on interpretive displays and Councilor Vaughan agreed to attend as Council representative.

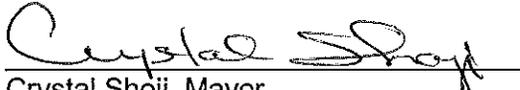
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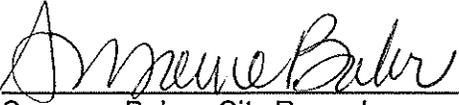
An executive session was held pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2) (e) for the Purpose of Discussing Real Property Transactions. No decisions were made.

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Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Shoji adjourned the meeting. The next regular Council meeting was scheduled for May 15, 2012 in the Meeting Room at the Coos Bay Public Library.


Crystal Shoji, Mayor

Attest: 
Susanne Baker, City Recorder