

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

May 2, 2017

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 Council President Jennifer Groth Councilors Drew Farmer, Stephanie Kilmer, Stephanie Kramer, and Phil Marler. Mayor Joe Benetti and Councilor Lucinda DiNovo were absent. City staff present were City Manager Rodger Craddock, City Attorney Nate McClintock, Deputy Finance Director Amy Kinnaman, Public Works and Community Development Director Jim Hossley, Fire Chief Mark Anderson, and Police Chief Gary McCullough.

Flag Salute

Council President Groth opened the meeting and led the Council and assembly in the salute to the flag.

Public Comments

Rick Skinner, Coos Bay: stated he was lifetime resident of Coos Bay and wanted to thank the council for their outstanding job representing the City; including addressing issues such as the sewer treatment plants and homelessness. Announced the Bay Area Brigade Highway 101 Clean Up event was scheduled to take place Saturday, May 6th at 8:30 a.m. at the North Bend Fire Station and would be followed by a picnic at the Coos Bay Fire Station. Mr. Skinner noted ballots were out for the upcoming election and noted the City had passed a resolution in support of ballot measure 61-63 on behalf of Coos Bay Schools; urged everyone to vote no on 61-62 (Community Bill of Rights for Sustainable Energy Future) as he believed it was a poor choice for the County and Cities alike. Mark Gillis, Coos Bay: stated he was a City moorage customer and resided on Coos Bay Boardwalk; expressed concern about the high rate of crime on the Boardwalk; several moorage customers had items stolen from their boats and there were instances where transients were found sleeping on boats and had to be removed by the police department. Mr. Gillis stated it was not safe to walk dogs in or around the pavilion due to the amount of needles and blood; stated there was 24-hour drug transfer area taking place along the Boardwalk; suggested this kind of activity hurt the City and asked the Council consider the Boardwalk the heart of Coos Bay and recommended the Council look into ways to making it safer; moorage residents were willing to help police and City to find resolution. Councilor Kramer suggested limiting access to the boats by incorporating a gate with cardkey access.

Consent Calendar

Council President Groth reviewed the consent calendar which consisted of 3a: approval of the minutes of April 18, 2017. Councilor Kilmer moved to approve the consent calendar as presented. Councilor Marler seconded the motion which carried with Council President Groth and Councilors Farmer, Kilmer, Kramer, and Marler voting aye. Mayor Benetti and Councilor DiNovo were absent.

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Report by Marshfield High School Key Club

Marshfield High School (MHS) Key Club representatives Maria Arellano and Sarah Johnson provided with sample dog treats they planned to sell as part of their fundraising activities; summarized upcoming Key Club activities, shared various ongoing fundraising activities and achievements by various MHS clubs and athletic teams.

Presentation the State of the Port of Coos Bay

Oregon International Port of Coos Bay (Port) External Affairs Manager Margaret Barber thanked the Council for the opportunity to provide an update on the status of the Port of Coos Bay and the Port's channel modification project. Ms. Barber turned the presentation over to the Port's Director of Maritime Operations Mike Dunning who was also the project manager for the channel modification project. Mr. Dunning provided a PowerPoint presentation as part of the Port's public outreach process for the channel modification project. The presentation included an overview of the Port's properties, listed active terminals located along the existing navigational channel, and project history. Mr. Dunning stated the last deepening of the existing navigation channel was 1998. The existing navigational channel had a depth of 37 feet, length of 15.2 miles, and width of 300 feet.

Reasons to modify the channel included building a robust shipping port in Coos Bay, maritime freight transportation was trending toward larger ships, there were existing navigational challenges in the current channel, environmental and financial efficiencies in shipping, increased competitiveness for U.S. goods in global market, to increase regional competitiveness to attract new maritime business, significant need in Oregon for maritime import and export capabilities, and currently many Oregon goods must travel out of state by truck or rail in order to reach international markets.

Mr. Dunning noted Coos Bay was the largest deep water channel from San Francisco to the Puget Sound. It was optimally located for international trade with Asia and other international markets and offered a short 15-mile navigational channel transit. Other considerations included comprehensive multimodal transportation network including rail, highway, maritime, and air and approximately 1,000 acres of Port owned property on the North Spit that was ideally located for a multiuse terminal or other marine industrial use.

Project elements included dredging the navigational channel from the ocean entrance to river mile 8.2; widening and deepening the channel from -37' deep and 300' wide to -45' deep and 450' wide; creating a vessel-turning basin at the upper end of the proposed modification, and; relocating navigational aids to align with the centerline of the modified channel. Mr. Dunning stated 60% of design phase for project was completed; final impact statement anticipated for 2018. Anticipated the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and third party contractor would begin work on the environmental impact statement (EIS) this summer (2017). Anticipated construction period was 2020 – 2022. Total estimated project cost was \$400 million. Council President Groth inquired how vessels would navigate the channel during construction. Mr. Dunning stated the process would be no different from what was done today when dredge was operating in the channel. Council President Groth asked about the long and/or short term impacts on fishing. Mr. Dunning stated that would be part of the Army Corps EIS analysis. Councilor Farmer noted other ports where operating at a -52' depth and questioned if the Port's proposed -45' would be

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adequate to serve future needs. Mr. Dunning stated the analysis did not show support for use as a mega large container port which would require the deeper depths. Council President Groth inquired as to the funding source for the proposed \$400 million project; the Port had partners which included the State of Oregon but would continue to look for other funding sources. Councilor Marler noted if the project did attract more goods coming into the country, rail and the highway would play a part in transporting those goods and questioned if the Port was coordinating with Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) on the project. Mr. Dunning confirmed ODOT would be consulted throughout the evaluation and analysis process.

Public Hearing for Consideration of Approval of an Ordinance to Vacate a Portion of Division Avenue - Approval Would Require Enactment of the Proposed Ordinance

Public Works and Development Director Jim Hossley stated the proposed vacation was initiated by Council motion on March 21, 2017 at the request of the applicant. After the hearing on April 11, 2017, the Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval of the proposal to vacate the portion of Division Avenue between North Empire Boulevard and North Marple Street. The platted Division Avenue right-of-way terminated at North Empire Blvd. There were no utilities in the 30-foot wide platted right-of-way and, according to information received from affected utility companies; there were no plans to utilize the right-of-way in the future. Staff requested the Council hold a public hearing and approve the vacation of Division Avenue between North Empire Boulevard and North Marple Street as found in Section 17CD, Township 25, Range 13 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon.

Council President Groth opened the public hearing. William Boger of Civil West Engineering stated he represented applicant and was available to answer any questions the Council might have. No further comments were made and the hearing was closed. Councilor Kilmer moved to approve the ordinance for vacating a portion of Division Avenue between North Empire Boulevard and North Marple Street as found in Section 17CD, Township 25, Range 13 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon. Councilor Marler seconded the motion. Deputy Finance Director Amy Kinnaman read the ordinance and announced Ordinance 485 was enacted by the following vote:

Aye: Council President Groth and Councilors Farmer Kilmer, Kramer, and Marler
Nay: None
Absent: Mayor Benetti and Councilor DiNovo

Award of Contract for Commercial Building and Fire and Life Safety Plan Review Services

Public Works and Community Development Director Jim Hossley stated the City had contracted with Roger's Engineering, Inc. since 2011 to provide as needed commercial building and fire and life safety plan reviews and the contract was nearly fully expended and about to expire. The contract was important for timely review of plans and expertise not available in-house. Staff acquired quotes from three sources (Rogers Engineering, Inc., Northwest Code Professionals, and Oregon State Building Codes Division) to provide the plan review services. Rogers Engineering, Inc. provided the best value for the service and staff recommended Council award a contract to Rogers Engineering. Councilor Marler moved to award a contract to Rogers Engineering, Inc. to provide as needed commercial building plan review as well as fire

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and life safety plan review services for a total amount not to exceed \$20,000. Councilor Kilmer seconded the motion which carried with Council President Groth and Councilors Farmer, Kilmer, Kramer, and Marler voting aye. Mayor Benetti and Councilor DiNovo were absent.

Approval to Negotiate Wastewater Treatment Plant #1 Facility Plan Contract

Public Works and Community Development Director Jim Hossley stated a recommendation committee was formed to evaluate the statement of qualifications (SOQ) for the request for qualifications (RFQ) for Facility Planning services for wastewater treatment plant #1 (WWTP#1). The recommendation Committee was comprised of Councilors Farmer and Marler, City staff Jim Hossley and Jennifer Wirsing, Ivan Thomas (General Manger for Coos Bay North Bend Water Board), and Steve Major (The Dyer Partnership). One SOQ was received from CH2M. The recommendation committee interviewed CH2M on April 12th and based on the quality of the SOQ, the experience of the firm and the proposed design team, the committee was comfortable recommending to Council to direct staff to begin negotiations on a scope and fee with CH2M for WWTP#1 facility plan. The negotiated scope and fee would be brought back to council for review and comment and/or approval. It was also recommended that a work session be held with the consultant and Council to understand what type of options the Council wished to explore during the facility planning effort.

Councilor Marler mentioned the CH2M proposal included two sub consultants to provide additional financial and operational experience. Mr. Hossley suggested there were several different possibilities why only one submittal was received: there were a limited number of consultants with experience designing upgrades for anaerobic digesters, there were numerous projects ongoing throughout the state and consultants were very busy, and the negative impacts from the Plant 2 process. Councilor Farmer moved to direct staff to begin negotiations of a scope and fee with CH2M. Councilor Marler seconded the motion which carried with Council President Groth and Councilors Farmer, Kilmer, Kramer, and Marler voting aye. Mayor Benetti and Councilor DiNovo were absent.

City Manager's Report

City Manager Rodger Craddock noted the Family Fun Day event was held at John Toppits Park this past weekend; estimated 2,000 – 3,000 attendees. Bay Area Brigade Highway 101 Clean Up event was scheduled to take place Saturday, May 6th at 8:30 a.m. at the North Bend Fire Station and would end at 11:30 a.m. with lunch barbeque for all volunteers at the Coos Bay Fire Station. Anticipated completion date for the South Empire Boulevard was July 31, 2017; City sought assistance of local media to produce public service announcement about the project, work zone safety and business availability, and access for business located within the construction area. First Farmers Market of the year was scheduled for Wednesday, May 3, 2017. City Manager Craddock stated M/V New Carissa ran aground in 1999; City received some memorabilia from the ship; flag, plaque, life ring, and navigation aid; requested Council permission to offer the items to Coos History Museum and/or Boat Building Center with the caveat the entities could not sell or donate the items without the City's permission. Council agreed. Council provided consensus to donate the items as proposed.

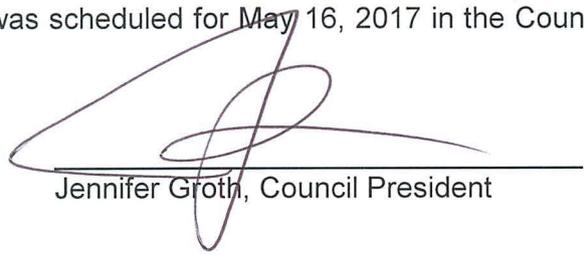
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Council Comments

Council President Groth stated she received a number of emails from Elizabeth Spona with Connect the Boardwalks regarding the condition of the asphalt walkway on the Coos Bay Boardwalk. City Manager Craddock stated staff was working in partnership with Port of Coos Bay who actually owned the dike that was giving way and undermining the pathway. Councilor Groth stated she would not be available to attend the work session next week.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Council President, Jennifer Groth adjourned the meeting. The next regular Council meeting was scheduled for May 16, 2017 in the Council Chambers at City Hall.



Jennifer Groth, Council President

Attest:  _____

Susanne Baker, City Recorder