

The Council of the City of Grants Pass met in regular session on the above date with Mayor Lindsay presiding. The following Councilors were present: Eames, Faszer, Flaming, King, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Scherf. Also present and representing the City were City Manager Cubic, City Attorney Bartholomew, Accounting Supervisor Shults, Public Safety Director Hensman, Parks & Community Development Director Glover, Public Works Director Canady and City Recorder Frerk. Absent: Finance Director Meredith.

Mayor Lindsay opened the meeting and Councilor King led the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

Councilor Lovelace reported on the Committee on Public Art (CoPA). Jon Bowen brought forth some new ideas for Art Along the Rogue, which is held in October. There is a CoPA subcommittee working with the Historical Buildings and Sites Commission to come up with some ideas for Alley Activation. As the liaison to the Grants Pass School District, she was excited to hear that a grant was awarded to the district through Safe Routes to School for an educational program for bicycle and pedestrian safety in the elementary schools.

Councilor Eames reported that the Urban Area Planning Commission granted a change-of-use request for a proposed market and two tax lots were combined. He also reported that UAPC Chair Gerard Fitzgerald is resigning after 16 years of service.

Councilor King reported that the Urban Tree Advisory Committee is putting together a proposal for Council to consider at Strategic Planning. They are continuing to do a community survey about trees at the Saturday Growers' Market. They are also putting together a three-prong proposal to make sure we know the inventory of the canopy cover in the city and which areas need some help.

Councilor Faszer reported that the Housing Advisory Committee had a presentation from the director of the Community Development Block Grant Program, which led to another discussion about adding a City staff position dedicated to addressing housing issues. The committee discussed the importance of public relations and outreach and decided to create some subcommittees. The first subcommittee they created will address public outreach and how they are going to bring to light all the things they are working on. The group discussed the new process for committee recommendations and that was well-received. They asked for a workshop on a density bonus program. They also inquired as to whether it would be appropriate if they take a look at the PAVE Committee Property Management report, and whether they could make recommendations or analyze it. They also discussed having more workshops and discussion on transitional housing.

Mayor Lindsay reported that the Food and Friends building is progressing, and the cost of the parking lot has been reduced by \$20,000. The Southern Oregon Regional Economic Development, Inc., Strategic Planning project is progressing well.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. Review emails: five emails were reviewed.

3. PUBLIC HEARING

- a. Josephine County Fairgrounds Scoreboard Sign Code appeal.

Councilor Scherf moved and Councilor Flaming seconded to approve the Josephine County Scoreboard sign code appeal and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Eames, Faszer, Flaming, King, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Scherf. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. The motion passed.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract for the Water Restoration Plant Landscaping; Project No. SE4964.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-6848

Councilor Flaming moved and Councilor Eames seconded to adopt Resolution 19-6848 and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Eames, Faszer, Flaming, King, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Scherf. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. The resolution was adopted.

- b. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Wire Works, LLC, for the upfitting of three Department of Public Safety patrol vehicles.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-6849

Councilor Flaming moved and Councilor Eames seconded to adopt Resolution 19-6849 and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Eames, Faszer, Flaming, King, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Scherf. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. The resolution was adopted.

- c. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend an agreement with Southern Oregon Aspire for janitorial and landscaping services.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-6850

Councilor Flaming moved and Councilor Eames seconded to adopt Resolution 19-6850 and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Eames, Faszer, Flaming, King, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Scherf. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

The resolution was adopted.

- d. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend an agreement with the FCS Group for utility rate and system development charge studies.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-6851

Councilor Flaming moved and Councilor Eames seconded to adopt Resolution 19-6851 and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Eames, Faszer, Flaming, King, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Scherf. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. The resolution was adopted.

- e. Motion approving the Request for Proposal scope for the Operations Plan of the Property Management Division.

Councilor Flaming moved and Councilor Eames seconded to approve the Request for Proposal scope for the Operations Plan of the Property Management Division and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Eames, Faszer, Flaming, King, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Scherf. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. The motion passed.

- f. Motion approving the minutes of the City Council meeting of August 7, 2019.

Councilor Flaming moved and Councilor Eames seconded to approve the minutes of the City Council meeting of August 7, 2019, and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Eames, Faszer, Flaming, King, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Scherf. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. The motion passed.

- g. Motion acknowledging the minutes of the Housing Advisory Committee meeting of June 21, 2019.

Councilor Flaming moved and Councilor Faszer seconded to acknowledge the minutes of the Budget Committee meeting of May 7, 2019, and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Eames, Faszer, Flaming, King, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Scherf. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. The motion passed.

5. COUNCIL ACTION

- a. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to make a sole-source purchase of diffuser membrane and replacement services.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-6852

Councilor Flaming moved and Councilor Riker seconded to adopt Resolution 19-6852 and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Eames, Faszer, Flaming, King, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Scherf. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. The resolution was adopted.

6. MATTERS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL AND STAFF

a. Review Public Comment.

A citizen believes the lot on the corner of 6th and A streets is an ideal location for a transitional housing development. He urges the Council to think outside the box.

A citizen discussed how fast feral cats breed. She would like a committee formed to come up with a solution.

There was a comment regarding pro-life.

The Council was encouraged to look into a Homeless camp cleanup program. It was suggested a few acres at the River Road Reserve property be set aside for a shelter.

The Council was thanked for listening to concerns regarding a riparian zone next to his property. The project is not going forward and he is grateful.

E-mail topics included: Concern with Council's proposed new policy, solution for River Road Reserve/homeless lawsuit, employee parking, River Road Reserve, solution to help clean up homeless camps.

b. Committee Motions.

Historical Buildings and Sites Commission:

Chair Warren moved and Commissioner McConnell seconded the motion to forward a recommendation to the City Council to pursue a process of exploring a residential conservation district in the northwest part of the City.

The vote resulted as follows: "AYES": Chair Warren, Vice Chair Pell, Commissioners: Ford, Holzinger, and McConnell. "NAYS": None. Absent: Commissioner Wilson.

Council approved holding a workshop on this topic.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

8. ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Lindsay adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

The ordinances, resolutions and motions contained herein and the accompanying votes have been verified by:



City Recorder