

## MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
OF  
APRIL 23, 2012  
5:30 P.M.  
THE DALLES CITY HALL  
313 COURT STREET  
THE DALLES, OREGON

**PRESIDING:** Mayor Jim Wilcox

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Bill Dick, Carolyn Wood, Dan Spatz, Brian Ahier, Tim McGlothlin

**COUNCIL ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** City Manager Nolan Young, City Attorney Gene Parker, City Clerk Julie Krueger, Finance Director Kate Mast, Public Works Director Dave Anderson, Community Development Director Dan Durow, Police Chief Jay Waterbury, Airport Manager Chuck Covert

### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wilcox called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Roll call was conducted by City Clerk Krueger; all Councilors present.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Wilcox invited the audience to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Wood and seconded by McGlothlin to approve the agenda and supplemental agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

## **PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

### **Presentation by Scott McKay Regarding Senior Center**

Scott McKay thanked the City for their past and present support of the Senior Center, saying it wouldn't exist if the City hadn't helped with the purchase of the property to build it. He provided an update of Senior Center activities, outcome survey, financial health, the Building Fund, community partners and the Center as a resource for others in the community.

## **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Chere Jones, 515 West 19<sup>th</sup> Street, The Dalles, said she had received a copy of Resolution No. 01-029 regarding the Sunridge Development agreement and questioned whether it was a legal document. She asked if the City had asked the developer if they would support completing construction of East 16<sup>th</sup> Street. Jones said many people were concerned about the East 19<sup>th</sup> Street extension, noting they would lose portions of their yards, special trees and it would cause parking problems. She said bus drivers were concerned about the ability to back up buses.

City Attorney Parker said the Resolution was a legal document and would write a letter stating it was legal if Ms. Jones wanted a letter.

City Manager Young said the City had not spoken with the Sunridge Developer about changing the agreement to extend East 16<sup>th</sup> Street. He said it was a condition of the agreement and that option would not be pursued at this time.

Ms. Jones said more people should be involved in the decision making regarding the East 19<sup>th</sup> Street extension and there should be better communication.

Ms. Jones said she was disappointed in the recent Council action to give raises to City employees. She said the Council had agreed four months ago that the timing was not good to give salary increases, then changed their decision and gave the increases.

Jones asked for an inventory of City vehicles. City Attorney Parker said Ms. Jones would need to complete a public records request and the information could be provided to her.

Bob McNary, 1525 East Ninth Street, The Dalles, said he appreciated the topic of community pride, discussed at the recent Town Hall meeting. He said the Oregon Cherry Growers should also participate by cleaning up their property at the east end of the City. McNary said the pile had grown and looked terrible for people entering the community.

MINUTES (Continued)  
Regular Council Meeting  
April 23, 2012  
Page 3

### **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

City Manager Young reminded the Council that Budget Committee meetings would begin on April 30, 5:30 p.m.

Young said the Public Works Department would have information available at the Cherry Festival Health Fair.

### **CITY ATTORNEY REPORT**

City Attorney Parker said staff continued to meet with the second hand dealers to develop the second hand dealers ordinance and hoped to bring it for Council consideration in June. Parker reported he had been working on amendments to the Exempt Employee Handbook and those would be scheduled for approval on the May 14 Council meeting. He said the Dallesport Water District agreement to annex the Airport property into the District was ready to be signed. It was noted this was a condition of the water service agreement and a motion to direct staff to sign it was not necessary.

### **CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

Councilor Ahier said he had attended the Distinguished Young Women pageant last week and that it was a great event that inspired pride in The Dalles.

Ahier expressed his opposition to meeting in Executive Session unless it was absolutely required. He said he would prefer to discuss issues in a public forum and be as open as possible.

Councilor Spatz reported the Strengthening the Economy Series was continuing. He said he was involved in a meeting that would promote renewable energy related to unmanned aerial vehicles. Spatz said he continued to work with others regarding job recruitment and said he hoped the Urban Renewal Agency Board could discuss ways to help remedy the downtown building vacancies.

Councilor McGlothlin said work continued with Traffic Safety Commission to develop a safe crosswalk configuration on Brewery Grade.

Mayor Wilcox said he had provided the welcome to the Job Fair. He said there were many exhibitors and it was a great event for the community. He said he continued his work on League of Oregon Cities committees.

MINUTES (Continued)  
Regular Council Meeting  
April 23, 2012  
Page 4

Councilor Spatz asked if Union Pacific Railroad had replied regarding presenting information to the Council regarding coal trains. City Attorney Parker said they had asked to be kept apprised of future meetings. City Manager Young suggested a special work session. The Council agreed a work session would be appropriate and asked staff to invite rail and coal industry representatives to provide their perspectives regarding the issue of coal transportation.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

It was moved by Wood and seconded by Dick to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

The item approved by Consent Agenda was approval of the April 9, 2012 regular City Council meeting minutes.

### **CONTRACT REVIEW BOARD ACTIONS**

#### **Approval of Contract for Airport Runway Phase II Project**

The staff report was reviewed by Airport Manager Chuck Covert. He provided a letter from the FAA concurring with the bid award recommendation. Covert said this project would help resolve the line of sight issue on the runways.

Councilor Ahier said the FAA letter contained a different figure than was included in the staff report. Covert said the difference was that the FAA letter didn't include the taxes.

Councilor Wood noted the funds for this project were not from local tax dollars, but from federal and state grants.

It was moved by Ahier and seconded by McGlothlin to award the base bid for Phase II of the Runway 12-30 Rehabilitation Project to Granite Construction in the amount of \$1,821,065.55 and approve awarding to Granite Construction Additive Bids A and B for Phase II if funds become available for that work. The motion carried unanimously.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **Approval of Chamber of Commerce Community Marketing Contract Work Scope and Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-13**

City Manager Young reviewed the staff report.

MINUTES (Continued)  
Regular Council Meeting  
April 23, 2012  
Page 5

Chamber Director Dana Schmidling provided handouts to show examples of their promotions and highlighted some of the new projects proposed for the upcoming year.

It was moved by Spatz and seconded by Ahier to approve the proposed fiscal year 2012-13 work scope and budget for the Community Marketing Program as presented by the Chamber of Commerce. The motion carried unanimously.

General Ordinance No. 12-1322 Amending Section 11 of General Ordinance No. 06-1266  
Establishing an Exemption From Water Systems Development Charges for Certain Residential,  
Commercial and Industrial Development

City Attorney reviewed the staff report. It was discovered the ordinance provided for the meeting did not have the correct language stated in one section. Parker asked for a recess to make copies of the correct language. He said the size of meters for fire suppression, explained in Section 2, A, had been removed.

Recess

Mayor Wilcox recessed the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Reconvene

The meeting reconvened at 7:10 p.m.

City Clerk Krueger read General Ordinance No. 12-1322 by title.

It was moved by Spatz and seconded by McGlothlin to adopt General Ordinance No. 12-1322 amending Section 11 of General Ordinance No. 06-1266 establishing an exemption from water systems development charges for certain residential, commercial and industrial development, by title. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Ahier said he was pleased to see the exemption for fire suppression and said the City Council had been focusing on reducing costs for commercial and industrial development, but that there should also be a focus on residential development incentives.

Approval of First Amendment for Agreement Concerning Maintenance of Downtown Street  
Trees

City Attorney Parker reviewed the staff report.

MINUTES (Continued)  
Regular Council Meeting  
April 23, 2012  
Page 6

It was moved by Wood and seconded by Ahier to authorize the City Manager to execute the first amendment to the intergovernmental agreement between the City and Northern Wasco County Parks and Recreation District for maintenance of a portion of the Riverfront Trail, associated landscaping and downtown street trees. The motion carried unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Wilcox recessed the meeting to Executive Session at 7:21 p.m. in accordance with ORS 192.660 (2) (e) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions.

**Reconvene to Open Session**

The meeting reconvened to open session at 7:43 p.m.

**DECISIONS FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION**

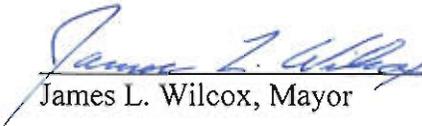
None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

---

Submitted by/  
Julie Krueger, MMC  
City Clerk

SIGNED:   
James L. Wilcox, Mayor

ATTEST:   
Julie Krueger, MMC, City Clerk