

Agenda, Rivergrove City Council meeting July 12, 2021

**STANDING ITEMS**

1. Call to order and attendance (Mayor, Councilors, and Guests)

*Present were Mayor Williams, Council President Pierce and Councilors Barhyte, Lahsene, and Tuttle.*

*City Manager (CM) Kibbey was present.*

*Guests were J Joyce, D Shafer, M Hawkins, L Merlo-Flores, Landon and Jude, M Salch, B Kibbey, C Nyberg, C Bahrman, and Roger and Pat*

2. Review of minutes from previous meeting(s)

*Mayor Williams voted and Councilor Lahsene seconded a motion that the minutes be approved as submitted. Motion approved 5-0.*

3. Review of financials

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Carolyn Bahrman had 4 comments:

1. *There is a huge pile of chips at Heritage Park that needs distributing.*
2. *The bushes along Sycamore need trimming again.*
3. *Agenda items need to be finished, not carried over meeting to meeting.*
4. *Get things done on the code.*

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Continuing Discussion of Matters associated with Operation and Use of the City Stark Boat Ramp.

*Council President Pierce reiterated that there has been an extensive amount of research done and available which defines the limits to any potential actions.*

*Carolyn Bahrman stated the Council should make a decision.*

*D Shafer had two concerns. One, she stated there was not good faith effort to provide information to the public on this matter. Secondly, she felt that the first three items of concern are too vague and non-starters. Councilor Tuttle stated that these items were items specifically submitted by citizens and the Council was not going to make judgements on them until offering them up for discussion at meetings.*

*There will be a work session on this matter tomorrow. [OPEN]*

2. Status of Contracting out City Development Code Inspection Services:

*Mayor Williams has talked to the City of Tualatin, and we will contract for this when a new Land Development Ordinance is in place. Councilor Tuttle suggested that we designate this item as pending on future agendas so as not to forget it. [pending]*

3. Discussion Regarding How Sewer might be Brought to Unserved Properties, Exploring the Issues.

*Councilor Tuttle recommended designating this item as pending because he believes the Council has enough to deal with at the present time. [pending]*

4. Discussion Regarding responsibilities for maintenance of Childs Road and sidewalks west of 65th. Informational meeting item.

*Councilor Lahsene's research found that Tualatin is responsible for the sidewalks, Rivergrove for the street. She will work with the City of Tualatin to see if we can improve the situation. City of Tualatin residents do generate most of the traffic on that section of Childs Road. [OPEN]*

5. Update on I-205 Tolling Project and possible construction at Stafford and Childs.

*Councilor Lahsene reported that she sent out a metro presentation on tolling. She also stated that ODOT is developing an outreach program for citizen input. DOT is also developing a purpose and needs document necessary for the project to go forward. Childs road has now been incorporated into the analysis. The main issue for the City of Rivergrove is the amount of cut through traffic generated if the project is completed. [OPEN]*

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Hiring new City Planner.

*Mayor Williams stated that we have three candidates and interviews will be conducted later this week. [OPEN]*

## **PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT**

1. Planning Commissioner Chair Lisa Merlo Flores: Status of Revision of the Land Development Ordinance (RLDO)

*Before Ms Lisa Merlo-Flores could join the meeting, Councilor Tuttle reviewed what he believed to be the current status. Commissioner Tuttle stated he thought the issues were as follows:*

*The Planning Commission (PC) and the citizens felt they were not properly informed and had little or no input.*

*The latest draft was not on the website in a timely manner and workshops for the PC and City Council (CC) were not held.*

*Does the Comp Plan need to be completely revised or can it be a minor revision, and does it have to be revised every 10 years.*

*Can the RLDO revision drive the Comp Plan and does the Comp Plan have to be revised in toto first.*

*He recalled solutions were as follows:*

*The Mayor and City Council President along with PC Chair and a member meet with DCLD to develop a procedural plan.*

*The PC to form a subcommittee to develop a draft revised RLDO building upon the existing draft, place it on the website and then hold hearings. A survey was also to be placed on the website.*

*Then there was extensive discussion regarding the legal status of the PC as an advisory body or a stand-alone body. This may have to be resolved by the City Attorney. We need to make we do this in a legal manner.*

*Councilor Lahsene stated that it is her experience that Comp Plans and Development Ordinances can be developed in parallel. City Manager Kibbey stated that DLCD was of the opinion, that for a city of our size we could wait longer than 10 years to revise a Comp Plan.*

*PC Chair Lisa Merlo-Flores stated that the PC voted 4-0 to table the RLDO until the Comp Plan was revised. The City needs more input on a vision and more citizen involvement. In her opinion, the draft was not vetted well. It needs a lot more work, and the PC will focus on the Comp Plan.*

## **COUNCIL REPORTS**

1. Councilor Lahsene: Transportation report (recurring) and any other matters

*A grant request was submitted for \$100,000 for repair of Tualamere, Marlin and Dogwood. Estimate \$177,000 to repair, but the grant (with money from Clackamas County also) would cover this.*

2. Councilor Pierce: Parks report (recurring) and any other matters

*Heritage Park: A lock for the hose bib has been procured, with keys given to local citizens who will water as needed.*

*Our citizen chip mover told tree cutting companies we needed chips. We now have more than enough, so she will tell them to stop.*

*Lloyd Minor Park: A lock for the water spigot has been procured, with keys given to local citizens who will water as needed.*

*Working on a possible work session for the park with Councilor Barhyte.*

*More blackberry removal is needed.*

*Councilor Pierce asked that since the meeting with DLCD could not happen as originally planned that they work on a new meeting date.*

3. Councilor Barhyte: Giving Program (recurring) and any other matters: *nothing*
4. Councilor Tuttle: City Code (recurring) and any other matters: *nothing*
5. Mayor's Report: *Expressed concern about City property adjacent to his home needing maintenance which he does not wish to continue paying for.*

*There was some discussion about having a municipal code to take care of some issues (e.g. fireworks, abandoned homes, etc)*

## **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

*The City Manager felt the monthly financial report was not particularly useful, but that a quarterly audit would be better. She said Kasey ?? from Tabor would provide a report at \$60/hour and it would take only about 1-2 hours. She also stated that she would like to switch to Quick Books from Quicken. Counselor Tuttle commented that it was more important to see where the money was spent and where the income came from rather than if the books balanced. Mayor Williams stated we need more information.*

## **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

*Councilor Pierce moved to adjourn; Mayor Williams seconded. The motion passed 5-0.*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** (Council and staff may adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes 192.660: As needed (appropriate subsection shall be cited): *Not needed.*