



SANDYNET ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Thursday, January 16, 2025 at 7:00 PM
39055 Pleasant St. and via Zoom

MINUTES

TO ATTEND THE MEETING IN-PERSON:

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ROLL CALL

Meeting started at 7:03pm

Board Member Horsfall was absent

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of Minutes – **Motion by Board Member Freetage, seconded by Board Member Rabe at 7:07pm; Board Member Cloutier abstained. Motion passed unanimously.**

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

2. New Board Member Appointments and Introductions – **New board members were introduced. Board Chair Pietzold provided a brief history of SandyNet. There was a note for Staff to update the SandyNet Advisory Board webpage to reflect its new members. Council Liaison Hokanson provided clarity around the discussion of selling SandyNet during the December 16, 2024 City Council Meeting, where the SandyNet Master Plan**

was discussed. The clarity was in relation to only exploring the option to sell SandyNet should it ever be deemed unsustainable.

STAFF UPDATES

3. Master Plan Update and Staffing Priorities

Staff provided feedback received after the December 16 master plan discussion, specifically around a request for additional criteria for identifying areas for SandyNet expansion. There was discussion among the board regarding the Urban Growth Reserve, the Urban Growth Boundary, as well as placing a map of serving territories on the website.

Staff explained the benefits of building out fiber off of existing assets that are currently underutilized.

There was discussion around the language of the master plan, and that it does not speak to how SandyNet will hit the 7,000-subscriber mark. Question regarding whether the master plan could explain end goals or identify how SandyNet would accomplish its objectives.

Recommendation to Staff to provide templates for analysis/feasibility for all new expansion; to identify a process for selecting appropriate projects.

Discussion over speed tiers. Staff provided information regarding its base tier. Board Member Cloutier proposed the idea of a new bottom tier with different requirements.

Staff provided information about budget inputs in the upcoming budget process.

Discussion over removing SandyNet from the City of Sandy's utility bills. Staff instructed to begin identifying surcharges that should be displayed itemized on the bill.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 8:59 pm.

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