



CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, January 16, 2024 at 7:00 PM

Virtual via Zoom

MINUTES

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Council President Laurie Smallwood
Councilor Chris Mayton
Councilor Rich Sheldon
Councilor Kathleen Walker
Councilor Carl Exner
Councilor Don Hokanson

ABSENT

Mayor Stan Pulliam

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT (3-minute limit)

(none)

RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS COMMENTS

CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Council Minutes: December 18, 2023

MOTION: Adopt the consent agenda.

Motion made by Councilor Sheldon, Seconded by Councilor Hokanson.

Voting Yea: Council President Smallwood, Councilor Mayton, Councilor Sheldon, Councilor Walker, Councilor Exner, Councilor Hokanson

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0

NEW BUSINESS

2. Contract Award: Construction of Cedar Park (Formerly Community Campus Park)

The City Manager and Parks and Recreation Director summarized the staff report, which was included in the agenda packet. It was noted that the bids received were consistent with the engineer's estimate. Council discussion ensued on the additional extra items that were not included in the contract total recommended by staff: picnic shelter, play area rubberized surfacing, vehicular concrete on paths, and electrical conduit at loop path. It was suggested that all the items are needed, and that necessary funds should be identified as delay would not be prudent. Staff clarified that it may be possible to absorb the cost of all the extras within the current budget if contingency funds are not needed. Further discussion related to the details and advantages of applying a rubberized play surface, as well as vehicular concrete in the event of emergency vehicle utilization. Ultimately the consensus of the Council was that all four additional extra items are necessary, but that while funds will be identified for electrical conduit and vehicular concrete at this point, rubberized play surface and picnic shelter will wait until after demolition is completed and further budget analysis can be performed.

MOTION: Authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with Goodfellow Bros., LLC for the construction of Cedar Park in an amount not to exceed \$3,548,815, which includes the amount recommended by staff plus additional funding for vehicular concrete and electrical conduit.

Motion made by Councilor Walker, Seconded by Councilor Hokanson.

Voting Yea: Council President Smallwood, Councilor Mayton, Councilor Sheldon, Councilor Walker, Councilor Exner, Councilor Hokanson

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0

REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

- Thanks for the Council's support for the Cedar Park project
- Praise for staff response to the recent winter storm; in particular Public Works, Police, SandyNet, and Parks and Recreation
- Notice of trail closures for storm cleanup
- PGE outage update, and note of continued communication between City and PGE staff
- Reminder that residents should report frozen water meters to the City
- Overview of feedback received on the Public Works after hours answering service
- Recap of water system low pressure event
- Overview of downed trees around town
- Discussion on trash pickup schedule impacts from the winter storm

COMMITTEE / COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilor Hokanson

- Praise for staff response to the recent winter storm

Councilor Exner

- Praise for staff response to the recent winter storm
- Praise for the new MySandy app

- Discussion on procedures for addressing downed trees in rights-of-way; plans to involve AntFarm; considerations for disposition of downed trees in riparian areas, including possible retention for habitat where desirable
- Note that an arborist will be on site soon to evaluate risk trees

Councilor Walker

- Emphasis on the need to formally thank staff for their efforts during the storm; also PGE staff deserve thanks and appreciation
- Concerns regarding drainage issues on the Bell Street extension
- Note of the storm debris on Bluff Road
- Suggestion to leverage the supplemental environmental project with Clackamas River Watershed Council to address post-storm vegetation management along the Tickle Creek Trail

Councilor Sheldon

- Praise for staff response to the recent winter storm

Councilor Mayton

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Council President Smallwood

- Updates from the Parks and Recreation Department: demolition of the old skatepark has begun; privacy fencing is being installed adjacent to the elementary school; shelters are being constructed at Bluff Park; Winterfest attendance figures show large increase in visitation to Meinig Park over 2022, help is needed in the future due to the large time commitment for set up and tear down; volunteers are needed for trail development
- Discussion ensued on the need to create a Winterfest Committee. The consensus of the Council was that staff should develop a proposed scope for the committee and bring the concept back for Council action at a future meeting

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