



# CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at 7:00 PM  
Sandy City Hall and via Zoom

## MINUTES

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### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### ROLL CALL

#### PRESENT

Mayor Stan Pulliam  
Council President Laurie Smallwood (attending virtually)  
Councilor Chris Mayton  
Councilor Rich Sheldon  
Councilor Kathleen Walker  
Councilor Carl Exner  
Councilor Don Hokanson

### CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

(none)

### PUBLIC COMMENT (3-minute limit)

(none)

### RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS COMMENTS

(none)

### CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Council Minutes: February 5, 2024
2. Delegation of Authority to Approve Solid Waste Franchise Rate Adjustments
3. Contract Amendment: Operations, Maintenance and Management Services for the Drinking Water and Wastewater Treatment Plants

#### **MOTION: Adopt the consent agenda**

Motion made by Councilor Hokanson, Seconded by Councilor Exner.

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

**MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

## NEW BUSINESS

### 4. Clear and Objective Code Audit (Land Use File No. 23-046 DCA)

#### Abstentions

(none)

#### Conflicts of Interest

(none)

#### Staff Report

The Development Services Director summarized the staff report in the agenda packet, acknowledged the efforts of all involved in the project, and introduced the consultant Kate Rogers with MIG. Presentation slides were delivered, which were included in the agenda packet. During the presentation, the Council sought clarification on the change to the affordable housing chapter in response to public comment. Following the presentation, Council Members expressed thanks for the thorough review performed by the Planning Commission.

#### **MOTION: Close the public hearing**

Motion made by Councilor Sheldon, Seconded by Councilor Mayton.

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

#### **MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

#### Council Discussion

The Council sought clarification on whether allowing a discretionary path would introduce problems by setting precedents. The City Attorney advised that almost all cities find it useful to have discretionary paths, and that because each case is different the risk of precedent setting is minimal as long as the City does not act arbitrarily.

#### **MOTION: Approve the first reading of Ordinance 2024-01**

Motion made by Councilor Walker, Seconded by Councilor Exner.

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

#### **MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

#### **MOTION: Approve the second reading of Ordinance 2024-01**

Motion made by Councilor Mayton, Seconded by Councilor Sheldon.

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

#### **MOTION CARRIED: 7-0**

## REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER

- Note that other municipal code update projects are proceeding at the staff level
- Recap on the status of the City's legislative funding requests in Salem
  - Updates provided by the City's government relations consultant, Nellie deVries
- Update on the effort to secure County financial support for the Hoodland Library rent; recap on the City's current negotiating position and the growing frustrations and disappointment with the County's lack of movement on the issue
  - Explanation of the confusion at the County between the issue of rent assistance versus the issue of operational versus capital spending
  - Concerns about lack of equity and fairness
  - Appeal for the County to be a productive partner on this issue

## COMMITTEE / COUNCIL REPORTS

### Councilor Hokanson

- Appreciation for the extension of the Veolia contract

### Councilor Exner

- Concern about running of red lights in town

### Councilor Walker

- Mt. Hood Territory grant opportunities are upcoming
- Overview of Tickle Creek restoration efforts after the January storm
  - Over 100 trees are down; hazard trees are still leaning
  - Collaboration is occurring including National Forest staff as well as AntFarm fuel reduction and fire prevention grant funding
  - Overview of the permitting challenges involved

### Councilor Sheldon

- Thanks to staff for the work on the Clear and Objective Audit

### Council President Smallwood

- Open house events will occur in March and April to gather public input on plans for Deer Pointe Park

### Councilor Mayton

- The Economic Development Advisory Board reviewed Block 3 goals and polices for the comprehensive plan update project; they also discussed comparable cities for the retail market analysis project

### Mayor Pulliam

- Recap of recent advocacy efforts on behalf of the City's funding requests in Salem
- Reminder on the upcoming Estacada CCA dinner

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