



CITY OF SWEET HOME CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

July 28, 2020, 5:30 PM
Sweet Home City Hall, 3225 Main Street
Sweet Home, OR 97386

WIFI Passcode: guestwifi

PLEASE silence all cell phones – Anyone who wishes to speak, please sign in.

Mission Statement

The City of Sweet Home will work to build an economically strong community with an efficient and effective local government that will provide infrastructure and essential services to the citizens we serve. As efficient stewards of the valuable assets available, we will be responsive to the community while planning and preparing for the future.

Meeting Information

The City Council will hold a Work Session at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 3225 Main Street. In order to protect residents, staff, and elected officials due to the novel COVID-19 virus, the frequency and length of public meetings, including the City Council, boards and commissions, will be minimized. Non-urgent and non-essential City business with expected public feedback will be postponed whenever possible. Individuals attending public meetings in person will be limited to the first six people, required to maintain appropriate social distancing, (6-ft.) and be free of symptoms related to COVID-19. The City of Sweet Home City Council is streaming the meeting via the Microsoft Teams platform and asks the public to consider this option. To view the City Council meeting live, visit [live.sweethomeor.gov](https://www.sweethomeor.gov). If you don't have access to the internet you can call in to 541-367-5128 and you'll be asked to choose option #1 to be logged in to the call.

This video stream and call in options are allowed under Council Rules, meet the requirements for Oregon public meeting law, and has been approved by the Mayor as Chairperson of the meeting.

Call to Order

The meeting was Called to Order at 5:30 PM.

Roll Call

PRESENT

Mayor Greg Mahler
President Pro Tem Diane Gerson
Councilor Cortney Nash
Councilor Dave Trask
Councilor James Goble
Councilor Lisa Gourley

ABSENT

Councilor Susan Coleman

STAFF

Community and Economic Development Director Blair Larsen

The location of the meeting is accessible to the disabled. If you have a disability that requires accommodation, advanced notice is requested by notifying the City Manager's Office at 541-367-8969.

Finance Director Brandon Neish
Public Works Director Greg Springman
Engineer Tech Trish Rice
Administrative Assistant Julie Fisher

MEDIA
None

Old Business:

None

New Business:

- a) Information Only - System Development Charges Update

Presentation by Austin Rambin and Deb Galardi for Murraysmith.

The presentation explained the Basic Methodology Equation for developing System Development Charges (SDCs). Oregon Law provides guidelines on methodology development, reporting and notification requirements. Preliminary Water, Wastewater, Stormwater, Transportation, and Parks SDCs were reviewed and discussed.

SDC Fee Levels showed that Sweet Home's average of \$1,839 is far below the statewide average of \$18,800. The average was based on 2018 data. Council requested staff research 2020 average and add comparable cities for their review.

Next steps in the process are to develop the Methodology Report, issue 90 day notice to the public, have the report available for a 60 day review, and Public Hearing for adoption.

Staff will bring additional information to Council during the next meeting.

Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:24 PM.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Manager – Ex Officio City Recorder