



CITY OF SWEET HOME VIEWERS' REPORT MEETING

January 18, 2021, 1:30 PM
Sweet Home City Hall, 3225 Main Street
Sweet Home, OR 97386

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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

A Viewer's Report Meeting will be held 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. There will be opportunity for public input via the live stream. To view the City Council meeting live, online visit live.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. Phone Conference ID: 510 641 31#

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Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 PM

Roll Call

VIEWER'S

Tim McQueary
Charlene Adams
Dave Holley

STAFF

Lagea Mull, Communications Specialist
Ray Towry, City Manager
Robert Snyder, City Attorney
Blair Larsen, Community & Economic Development Director
Julie Fisher, Administrative Assistant
Joe Graybill, Staff Engineer
Brandon Neish, Finance Director

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.

New Business

City Attorney explained the process to the Viewer's regarding the Local Improvement District.

- a) Resolution No. 1 for 2021 -Willow Street Neighborhood Local Improvement District (L.I.D.) (pg. 126)

Staff Engineer Joe Graybill explained the water issue which prompted the LID and explained one method of determining cost share which is based upon linear footage of property frontage. This project will serve 58 individual properties and it was acknowledged that the cost could be difficult for some of the homeowners and should be considered. It was also noted that there are a few properties which are sizable and development cost would be higher for their one service.

In addition to water service, development of streets, sidewalks and drainage was discussed.

Other items of discussion for consideration by the Viewer's included: System Development Fees (either existing or new), low-income homeowners or elderly homeowners, length of terms (suggested 30 year), and properties that are outside of average size or located on corner lots.

Viewer Dave Holley stated there is one property owner that owns 22 properties, who initiated the LID. To oppose the LID, 2/3rd of the property owners would have to come forward, which is not possible.

Mr. Holley also stated the LID fees could amount to \$39,000 which could be unbearable to some of those homeowners. Mr. Holley was for the water LID, but only for a very basic street improvement LID to keep the cost somewhat bearable for the owners. He also felt that existing wells should be allowed to continue if the owner chooses.

Viewer Charlene Adams was concerned about street improvements on 19th due to the size of the street. She agreed with Mr. Holley on the water LID and some street improvement.

Tim McQueary agreed the water is imperative. He questioned the size of the ROW width. Staff Engineer stated the smallest is 40', but sidewalks and two lanes are possible. Street parking was a concern.

Recommendation by the committee was on methodology for cost share based on linear foot of frontage by 150' depth. They agreed on very little street improvement, but water LID is necessary.

Staff will research any grants available that could help the overall cost.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:40 PM

Chair

ATTEST:

City Manager – Ex Officio City Recorder