



# CITY OF SWEET HOME CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

February 01, 2022, 6:30 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.

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## Meeting Information

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## Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

## Roll Call

### PRESENT

Mayor Greg Mahler  
President Pro Tem Diane Gerson  
Councilor Dave Trask  
Councilor Lisa Gourley  
Councilor Susan Coleman  
Councilor Angelita Sanchez  
Councilor Dylan Richards

### STAFF

Community and Economic Development Director Blair Larsen  
Finance Director Brandon Neish  
Public Works Director Greg Springman  
Police Chief Jeff Lynn  
Administrative Services Manager Julie Fisher  
Community Services Officer Sean Morgan  
City Attorney Robert Snyder

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## Old Business:

- a) Request for Council Action - Agreement and Lease with FAC for Managed Outreach and Community Resource Facility

Community and Economic Development Director Blair Larsen clarified the Linn County Mill Property (known as the Knife River Property) does not impact this situation and is not the "knife shaped" property that is being considered as a potential site for the Managed Outreach and Community Resource Facility. An update on the "knife shaped" property was given - a Phase 1 Environmental Analysis Report, cover letter Executive Summary and Conclusion have been received. Staff recommendation is not to take ownership unless there is a Purchaser Agreement or Conditional No Further Action designation with clear liability.

There was discussion on options regarding the property as well as other sites for the facility.

City Attorney Snyder explained the process for a director award of a specialized contract according to ORS and City Policies. City Attorney noted one typo to be corrected.

Motion to approve the Agreement for Services with FAC for the operation of a Managed Outreach and Community Resource Facility as amended. Motion by Councilor Gourley and Seconded by Councilor Gerson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Mahler, President Pro Tem Gerson, Councilor Trask, Councilor Gourley, Councilor Coleman

Voting Nay: Councilor Sanchez, Councilor Richards

Motion to place a temporary Managed Outreach and Community Resource Facility at the current Public Works Shop on 24th Avenue. Motion by Councilor Sanchez and Seconded by Councilor Gerson. Voting Yea: Mayor Mahler, President Pro Tem Gerson, Councilor Trask, Councilor Gourley, Councilor Sanchez, Councilor Richards

Voting Nay: Councilor Coleman

- b) Information Only - ODOT US 20/OR 228 ADA Ramp Project Water Line Relocations

Community and Economic Development Director Blair Larsen gave a project update on pedestrian ramps along Hwy 20 and Hwy 228 within city limits. The City will be responsible for cost of moving utilities (water lines and hydrants) during the next fiscal year and staff proposes using funding from PATH.

Councilor Sanchez requested a list of the 5 most dangerous crosswalks to be sent to Representative Cate. Staff stated a traffic study needs to be completed to accurately report.

- c) Request for Council Action - ODOT US 20 53rd – 60th Avenue Sidewalk Project Water Line Relocation

Community and Economic Development Director Blair Larsen updated the Council on the ODOT 60th Avenue Sidewalk Project stating projected cost do not include the City moving a large water line and storm drain that conflict with the project. Because ODOT is in the procurement process and a low bidder has been identified, change of design is not allowed. The cost to the City to move the utilities is estimated to be between 76K to 131K.

Motion to continue with the ODOT 60th Avenue Sidewalk Project made by Councilor Coleman, Seconded by Councilor Richards.

Voting Yea: Mayor Mahler, President Pro Tem Gerson, Councilor Trask, Councilor Gourley,  
Councilor Coleman, Councilor Sanchez, Councilor Richards

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Manager Pro Tem – Ex Officio City Recorder