



CITY OF SWEET HOME CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

May 28, 2024, 5:30 PM
Sweet Home City Hall, 3225 Main Street
Sweet Home, OR 97386

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.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM.

Roll Call

PRESENT

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

STAFF

Kelcey Young, City Manager
Blair Larsen, Community & Economic Development Director
Adam Leisinger, Communications Manager
Cecily Hope Pretty, Administrative Services Director

GUESTS

Elizabeth Auvil, Landscape Architect, Cameron McCarthy
Colin McArthur, Principle Planner, Cameron McCarthy

MEDIA

Sarah Brown, The New Era

City Council Work Session - Parks Master Plan

City Manager Young introduced the consultants from Cameron McCarthy and noted their work to develop updates to the Park System Master Plan over the previous year. She noted that the final plan was still under development and would be brought to the City Council for consideration and approval at a later date. She added that the development of the master plan was fully grant-funded.

Elizabeth Auvil and Colin McArthur of Cameron McCarthy presented on the following:

- Features of a park system master plan
- Planning process and timeline
- Local park system inventory
- Community outreach
- Key findings of the needs assessment
- Goals of the plan

- Draft plan recommendations

Councilor Gourley asked of the inclusion of needs for seating and utilities. Ms. Auvil replied that many respondents requested enhanced community gathering spaces. Director Larsen added that many recommendations included the installation of lighting and security cameras which would require electricity to be installed. Councilor Gourley expressed support for additional dog parks and the inclusion of a splash pad adjacent to City Hall.

Councilor Sanchez expressed concern with recommendations for Clover Memorial Park. City Manager Young stated that staff had already requested the recommendations be modified and would be corrected in the final plan.

Mayor Coleman thanked the consultants for their work and community engagement.

Adjournment

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:24 PM.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Manager – Ex Officio City Recorder

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