



# CITY OF SWEET HOME CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

May 28, 2024, 6:30 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.

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## Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 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  
Jason Ogden, Police Chief  
Cecily Hope Pretty, Administrative Services Director  
Robert Snyder, City Attorney

### GUESTS

Steven Blench, 4381 Osage Street, Sweet Home, OR 97386  
Terry W. Lee, 1326 43rd Avenue, Sweet Home, OR 97386  
Nancy Patton, 3041 Foothills Drive, Sweet Home, OR 97386

### MEDIA

Sarah Brown, The New Era

## Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes:

- a) 2024-05-14 City Council Executive Session Minutes
- b) 2024-05-14 City Council Meeting Minutes
- c) 2024-05-21 City Council Executive Session Minutes

Councilor Richards moved to approve the consent agenda. President Pro Tem Mahler seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

## Recognition of Visitors & Hearing of Petitions

Steven Blench expressed concern with tree removal at 42nd and Osage.

Terry W. Lee expressed concerns with crime, road maintenance, drainage, homelessness, and tree removal at 42nd and Osage.

Nancy Patton expressed concern with property maintenance at Foothills Drive and 27th Avenue.

**New Business**

- a) Request for Council Action - Sankey Park Phase III Engineering Design Contract

This item was pulled from consideration by staff.

**Reports of Committees**

There were no reports to be heard.

**Reports of City Officials**

- a) City Manager's Report

City Manager Young reminded the City Council of the Budget Committee meeting on May 30, 2024 at 4:00 PM. She noted that site work had begun to construct a park at 42nd and Osage. She stated that the City had received a grant for emergency family housing and 42nd and Osage was a potential housing site, but that the final placement would require City Council approval at a later date. She noted that tree removal would address previous concerns related to encampments and fires. She stated that she attended the Police Academy graduation the previous Friday and highlighted Chief Ogden's commencement speech about leadership and compassion.

- b) Mayor's Report

There was no report to be heard.

**Council Business for Good of the Order**

There was none to be heard.

**Adjournment**

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:53 PM.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Manager – Ex Officio City Recorder