

# OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE TUALATIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING FOR JANUARY 08, 2024

Present: Mayor Frank Bubenik, Council President Valerie Pratt, Councilor Bridget Brooks, Councilor Maria Reyes, Councilor Cyndy Hillier, Councilor Christen Sacco, Councilor Octavio Gonzalez

### Call to Order

Mayor Bubenik called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

#### **Public Comment**

Doug Childs, partner with NW Cannabis Company, requested the City Council extend allowable business hours to be competitive with those in surrounding city's and allow for better access for customers. He submitted a petition with signatures to accompany his request.

Don Pearson, partner with NW Cannabis Company, shared findings related to access to cannabis.

Jennifer Lang shared her story related to her experience with cannabis. She requested NW Cannabis Company be granted their request for extended business hours to increase access for members in the community.

Glen Fee, Executive Director of Tualatin River Keepers, spoke in support of NW Cannabis Company's request for expanded hours.

Anneleah Jackson, Tualatin Chamber CEO, spoke in support of NW Cannabis Company's request for expanded hours.

## **Consent Agenda**

Motion to adopt the consent agenda made by Council President Pratt, Seconded by Councilor Brooks.

Voting Yea: Mayor Bubenik, Council President Pratt, Councilor Brooks, Councilor Reyes, Councilor Hillier, Councilor Sacco, Councilor Gonzalez MOTION PASSED

- 1. Consideration of Approval of the Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes of December 11, 2023
- 2. Consideration of <u>Resolution No. 5746-24</u> Awarding a Contract for a Parks and Recreation Facilities Assessment and Study to Sazan Group, Inc.
- 3. Consideration of **Resolution No. 5747-24** Authorizing Recycle+ Expanded Recycling Service and Rates

- 4. Consideration of <u>Resolution No. 5748-24</u> Awarding a Contract for HVAC On-Call Ordinary Repairs and Scheduled Maintenance to Reitmeier NW
- 5. Consideration of <u>Resolution No. 5749-24</u> Amending Water, Sewer, Stormwater, Road and Parks Utility Fee Rates Inside the City of Tualatin and Rescinding Resolution 5710-23
- 6. Consideration of <u>Resolution No. 5750-24</u> Authorizing the City Manger to Execute a Second Amendment to an Intergovernmental Agreement with Washington County Related to the Towing of Vehicles

## Special Reports

1. Outside Agency Grant Awardee - Family Promise of Tualatin Valley 2023 Update

Family Promise of Tualatin Valley Fund Development Manager Elsie Schaff Laubach presented information about the organization. She shared details regarding their growth capacity, indicating that they served 862 individuals and 250 families, with 78% of households transitioning from shelter to stable housing. Manager Schaff highlighted the three main programs they offer: shelter, eviction prevention, and graduate services. She mentioned the recent purchase of a shelter site with 70 units for shelter and additional space for offices.

Manager Schaff discussed program changes, including the addition of adult-only households, lowering barriers to access, establishing an on-site food and clothing pantry, and plans to colocate mental health services. She also mentioned the introduction of enrichment programs providing childcare, family activities, and classes. Manager Schaff emphasized various ways for the community to get involved, such as making and serving meals, offering enrichment support, and participating in monthly drives and events.

Councilor Gonzalez asked how someone transitions from this type of housing. Manager Schaff stated Supportive Housing Services works with clients on transitional housing.

Councilor Gonzalez asked if they provide classes additional life skill classes for families. Manager Schaff stated they offer some classes but typically, collaborate with outside agencies who offer expertise in those areas.

Councilor Brooks asked how long an average person stays in the program and what is their expected outcome. Manager Schaff stated the average stay is 3-4 months and a positive outcome is stable housing.

Councilor Reyes asked how people get connected to their program. Manager Schaff stated they receive referrals from the County mostly for families.

#### **Council Communications**

None.

## Adjournment

Mayor Bubenik adjourned the meeting at 7:41 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

 / Nicole Morris, Recording Secretary
 / Frank Bubenik, Mayor