



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE TUALATIN CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING FOR SEPTEMBER 12, 2022

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

Mayor Bubenik called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

1. *Climate Action Plan Update: Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory Results.*

Deputy Public Works Director Nic Westendorf, Management Analyst Maddie Cheek, and Consultant Josh Proudfoot presented an update on the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory Report. Analyst Cheek spoke to key takeaways from public engagement events including concerns related to extreme weather, protecting the ecosystem and river, drought and water availability, and wildfires and smoke. She stated the public expressed interest in learning more about what actions will have the most impact, EV's and EV charging, impacts to plants and animals, and community building to make change. Analyst Cheek spoke to takeaways from targeted stakeholder engagement including building trust and relationships, public refuge, lack in transit, and increasingly crowded right of ways. She stated mitigation-themed stakeholder workshops will be held this fall to discuss buildings and energy use, urban form and land use, transportation modes and fuel switching, and food and goods consumption.

Consultant Proudfoot spoke to climate change and how it is happening. He stated there are more greenhouse gases in the atmosphere which prevent heat from escaping and thus increasing the temperature on Earth. Consultant Proudfoot addressed the summary of findings for emissions in Tualatin. He stated local emissions total nearly 386,000 MT or an average of 14 MT per resident. Consultant Proudfoot shared energy usage for buildings by type and energy source stating the majority of building energy emissions come from electricity use in commercial buildings. He stated the majority of transportation emissions come from passenger vehicles in Tualatin. Consultant Proudfoot stated the largest proportion of Tualatin's industrial processes come from refrigerant emissions. He spoke to imported emissions stating goods make up the largest share of imported emissions, followed by foods and beverages.

Consultant Proudfoot spoke to the greenhouse gas emissions forecast. He shared numbers if business remains as usual with existing policies, he stated they must close the gap using the climate action plan to reach net zero carbon by 2050. Consultant Proudfoot stated additional policies such as the Inflation Reduction Act and the Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) Climate Friendly and Equitable Communities rulemaking may help to reduce emissions.

Consultant Proudfoot shared best practices including modes and fuels switching in transportation such as EVs, diesel operators transitioning to renewable fuels, reduction in air travel, electronic commute, first and last mile coordination, and active transportation. He spoke to best practice for urban form and land use in relation to transportation stating moving to urban nodes, transit-oriented development, building taller, and having active transportation routes for new development is important. Consultant Proudfoot spoke to best practices in building and energy stating purchasing electricity from renewable sources, smart energy or renewable gas, electrify buildings, energy efficient audits, weatherization and efficient appliances, refrigerants,

rooftop solar, and the incorporation of shade trees for buildings help to address emissions in this area. He spoke to best practices for consumption of foods and goods stating borrowing and sharing, buying use, meal planning to avoid waste, eating more plants, and recycling help to foster these goals.

Analyst Cheek stated next steps include phase two for community engagement to gather feedback on draft strategies and actions on what barriers exist and what citizens are interested in. They will host an online open house and interactive workshops for targeted groups.

Councilor Brooks asked what the differences is between PGE and Bonneville Power. Consultant Proudfoot stated Bonneville Power has first rights to local utility districts all over the northwest and gives them has access to hydropower which is a cleaner baseline. He stated PGE doesn't have access to this hydropower, so they are working to get access to other renewables that are outside of what is mandated by the state.

Councilor Brooks asked what the City can do specifically to help incorporate best practices and how to use carbon exchanges based on policy needs. Consultant Proudfoot stated offsets are not included in the scope of work. He stated the level of detail that will be included will be dependent on what the community shares and what they ask for. Consultant Proudfoot stated service providers will also help to determine were gaps are to help provide programs and services.

Councilor Pratt asked how development in the US compares to development globally for emissions. Consultant Proudfoot shared comparisons for countries less than and greater than the US.

Councilor Pratt asked what types of renewable energy sources he is talking about. Consultant Proudfoot stated renewable would be not electric and is typically bio products.

Councilor Pratt asked if the costs of implementing these solutions is included in the graphs. Consultant Proudfoot stated even in work case scenarios implementing and building the solutions still puts you in a better place than the consumption of fuel in the future.

Councilor Reyes asked what food waste at home is. Consultant Proudfoot stated it is food that is not consumed.

Councilor Reyes asked what it means to offset something. Consultant Proudfoot explained how technical solutions are used to buy offsets of certain activities such as flying.

Councilor Reyes asked if the cost of electricity will increase as people move to that type of energy. Consultant Proudfoot stated the biggest concern is the ability to produce enough energy to deal with eventual consumption from EVS. He noted electricity prices are more stable than fuel.

Councilor Reyes stated weather will need to be considered when looking at different modes of transportation for first and last mile transportation.

2. Basalt Creek Park Property Maintenance and Operations Agreement.

Parks Planning and Development Manager Rich Mueller presented the Basalt Creek Park Property Maintenance and Operations Agreement. He stated on August 22nd the Council purchased this land and the purpose of this agreement is maintain the property, both land and

structures, as is, and reduce costs for the City to maintain and repair. He stated the provider will be the current owners. He stated the benefits of this includes reduced costs and property security and safety. Manager Mueller stated the public benefit includes property maintenance, having a parkland caretaker, insurance, repairs, upkeep, safety, security, and the maintenance of the building and appliances. He stated the next steps include the maintenance agreement, completing the property transaction, park site planning, and park design and construction.

Councilor Pratt asked if the current property owners will continue to live there and if they would be compensated. Manager Mueller stated they would not be compensated but they will be able to continue to live there while maintaining the property. Councilor Pratt stated this sounds like a win-win agreement.

Councilor Brooks stated the residents that live there are delightful and caring people and she would be happy to see them continue to care for the property.

3. Council Meeting Agenda Review.

Councilor Brooks stated she will be asking for changes to the minutes on the consent agenda.

Councilor Hillier stated formal wear donations for upcoming high school formal events are now being accepted and can be dropped off at Riverview Community Bank or Orange Theory.

Councilor Pratt stated she attended the Clackamas County Business Alliance Happy Hour, the Chamber Key Leaders Breakfast, the Clackamas County Climate Action Committee meeting, and the Historical Society Fundraiser.

Councilor Reyes stated she attended the Council Committee on Advisory Appointments meeting.

Councilor Sacco stated she has been working on the Tualatin Parks Bond Project.

Councilor Brooks stated she participated in the Tualatin River Keepers Sunset Kayak Tour, met with Mayor Gamba and Metro Councilor Rosenthal about the DLCD Climate Rules in regards to parking, and the Chamber Key Leaders Breakfast.

Mayor Bubenik stated he attended the Regional Tolling Advisory Committee meeting, the Greater Portland Inc. Small Cities Consortium meeting, the Tolling Breakfast, the Historical Society Fundraiser, the Stafford-Hamlet Family Festival, and the Washington County Coordinating Committee meeting. He reminded residents that the Tualatin Library Vine to Wine event will be held this Saturday.

Adjournment

Mayor Bubenik adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

/ Nicole Morris, Recording Secretary

/ Frank Bubenik, Mayor