



## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE TUALATIN CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING FOR MAY 22, 2023

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

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Mayor Bubenik called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

### **1. Parks Bond Projects Update.**

Parks and Recreation Director Ross Hoover and Parks Planning Manager Rich Mueller provided an update on the Parks and Trails Bond. Director Hoover acknowledged the formation of the Parks Funding Measure Committee and expressed his appreciation for their involvement. He mentioned the committee had finalized the funding package for the community. Manager Mueller shared the progress of various bond projects and provided status updates. He highlighted the new river access in Community Park, mentioning that the property acquisition had recently concluded and that planning, design, and construction would follow, with completion expected in 2026. Manager Mueller also discussed ongoing playground upgrades at Atfalati, Ibach, and Jurgens Park, as well as the trail connection at the Nyberg Creek Wetlands. He stated construction design for the Veterans Plaza improvements has begun. Manager Mueller mentioned that discussion regarding athletic field upgrades, including lighting and field improvements, taking place at Tualatin Community Park have begun. He also mentioned that several property acquisitions are being discussed for natural areas.

Director Hoover stated the Tualatin Parks Advisory Committee would serve as the Bond Oversight Committee for the bond projects. He outlined the communication tools that would be utilized to keep the community informed, including updates during Council meetings, website updates, email blasts, the city e-newsletter, and social media posts. Director Hoover stated next steps for the bond projects include providing information to the community, progressing with projects, engaging with TPARK, and providing ongoing updates to the Council.

Council President Pratt asked when the completion of the Browns Ferry Park connection would be open. Manager Mueller explained the project was in the hands of the developer and should be completed soon. He mentioned the trail was mostly finished but they were waiting for legal documents from the developer before opening it to the public.

Councilor Hiller inquired about the partnership between the city and the Tigard-Tualatin School District. Director Hoover stated they have initiated discussions with the school district to establish an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) for the joint operation and management of school district and city fields. He stated a comprehensive community engagement process would be conducted to determine where bond investments should be allocated as part of the IGA.

Councilor Brooks asked about the website interface and how people could find information based on topic and timeline. Director Hoover provided an explanation of how the website would be organized to facilitate easy access to information.

Councilor Reyes asked if communications would be available in multiple languages and inquired about the handling of suggested projects. Director Hoover noted that voters had already selected key investment areas, which would guide the project selection process.

**2. Council Meeting Agenda Review, Communications, and Roundtable.**

Councilor Sacco stated she attended the Clackamas Cities Association Dinner.

Councilor Brooks stated she attended the Policy Advisory Board meeting and the Tualatin Arts Advisory Committee meeting.

Council President Pratt stated she attended the Stafford-Hamlet meeting, the Greater Portland Inc. meeting at Clean Water Services, the C4 Metro meeting, the Clackamas Cities Association Dinner, and the Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue Citizen Academy.

Mayor Bubenik stated he attended the Greater Portland Inc. meeting at Clean Water Services, the Neighbors Nourishing Communities Plant Hand Out event, the Washington County Coordinating Committee meeting, the Washington County Chair and Mayors meeting, the Greater Portland Inc. Board meeting, the Clackamas County Chair and Mayors meeting, and the Regional Tolling Advisory Committee meeting.

**Adjournment**

Mayor Bubenik adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

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