



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE TUALATIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING FOR NOVEMBER 08, 2021

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

Call to Order

Mayor Bubenik called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of silence for those who have lost their lives to COVID-19

Public Comment

None.

Consent Agenda

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Bubenik, Council President Grimes, Councilor Brooks, Councilor Reyes, Councilor Pratt, Councilor Hillier, Councilor Sacco

MOTION PASSED

1. Consideration of **Resolution No. 5581-21** Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Clackamas County Related to the Coalition of Communities of Color Racial Justice Project

Special Reports

1. Annual Report of the Tualatin Arts Advisory Committee

Recreation Manager Julie Ludemann and Tualatin Arts Advisory Committee Chair Janet Carr presented their annual report. Chair Carr stated members meet monthly, represent Tualatin Arts to the Council and public, attend activities and events, encourage opportunities for art recognition, and stimulate private and public support for the arts. She stated 2020-21 accomplishments included signal box art wrap installations, a public mural at Community Park, provided financial support to art agencies, and provided support and feedback for the Parks and Recreation Equity Plan. Chair Carr stated 2021-22 goals include expansion of the traffic signal box art program, identifying future art programs and projects, and continued support of local arts programming through grants and awards.

Councilor Brooks thanked the committee members for their leadership in the community.

Councilor Reyes stated she loves the wrap art around the signal boxes in the community.

Councilor Pratt asked how people can make suggestions of where artwork could be located throughout the city. Manager Ludemann stated suggestions can be made directly to her.

Councilor Pratt stated the underpass under I-5 would be a great place for some art along the walking trail.

Mayor Bubenik thanked the committee for all their efforts throughout the year.

General Business

1. Consideration of **Resolution No. 5582-21** Referring to the Electors of the City of Tualatin the Question of Amending the City Charter to Modify Mayoral Term Limits in Certain Circumstances

City Attorney Sean Brady stated at the last work session Council requested staff return with a Resolution for the measure language, ballot title, summary, and explanatory statement. He stated the challenge period will be noticed if passed. Attorney Brady stated this would go on the May 17, 2022 ballot.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Councilor Pratt stated she feels there is confusion about how ballot measures work for changing the city charter. She stated citizens can either collect signatures through the initiative process, the council can refer a vote to the ballot, or through citizen request of the council. Councilor Pratt stated the citizens requested this be placed on the ballot through the Council due to the pandemic. She stated all citizens will get to vote on the measure. Councilor Pratt stated the ability for a Mayor to serve an additional term offers many benefits to the city.

Councilor Sacco stated the Mayor has the opportunity to have more extensive reach and create relationships throughout the region and the ability to serve two consecutive terms as a Mayor is of benefit to the city.

Councilor Reyes is in favor of the ability for a Mayor to run an additional term as they are able to build relationships over an extended period of time.

Councilor Brooks stated she is appreciative of the community members who came forward and made this request and she is happy to put this forward with this method due to the pandemic. She stated she is in favor of the resolution as the experience and relationships of a multi-term Mayor are important to help with funding for the city.

Council President Grimes stated changes need to be made to the current term limit measure for the position of Mayor. She stated her concerns and lack of support are about how the measure is going forward. She would like this to be a grassroots effort where signatures need to be gathered.

Councilor Hillier stated she has received feedback from community members who too would like to see the signature gathering process take place. She stated she will be representing those community members tonight.

Mayor Bubenik stated the measure is for the betterment of the city as it would allow for experienced and stable leadership.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 5582-21 referring to the electors of the City of Tualatin the question of amending the City Charter to modify Mayoral term limits in certain circumstances made by Councilor Pratt, Seconded by Councilor Brooks.

Discussion on the Motion

Councilor Brooks reiterate that the process is in the charter and was requested by the voters.

Voting Yea: Mayor Bubenik, Councilor Reyes, Councilor Pratt, Councilor Sacco

Voting Nay: Council President Grimes, Councilor Hillier

MOTION PASSED

Council Communications

Councilor Brooks thanked Veteran's for their service and wished them a Happy Veteran's Day.

Councilor Pratt stated Meals on Wheels is now accepting donations to give meals to seniors for the holidays.

Councilor Reyes wished everyone a Happy Veteran's Day.

Mayor Bubenik wished everyone a Happy Veteran's Day.

Mayor Bubenik stated it is getting dark earlier and reminded citizens to be alert when driving and keep eyes open for pedestrians and bikes.

Adjournment

Mayor Bubenik adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

_____ / Nicole Morris, Recording Secretary

_____ / Frank Bubenik, Mayor