



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE TUALATIN CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING FOR JUNE 26, 2023

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

Absent: Councilor Sacco

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

1. Tualatin Moving Forward Quarterly Update.

Engineer Mike McCarthy provided an update on the progress of the Tualatin Moving Forward program. He mentioned that 30 projects have been completed so far, with six more currently underway. Engineer McCarthy stated the Sagert Street project, which involves the addition of a new signal, pedestrian crosswalks, share-use pathways, and buffered bike lanes is underway. He stated the Hazelbrook Area Project is mostly complete with new paving, pedestrian crossings, and intersections. Engineer McCarthy also discussed neighborhood traffic safety projects involving sidewalk and bike path improvements. He stated the Boones Ferry Road Corridor project is ongoing, and is currently being paved. Engineer McCarthy highlighted the reshaping project at the Nyberg Road/Tualatin-Sherwood Road/I-5 interchange, which includes adding a third eastbound lane, restriping, installing overhead signage, and enhancing bicycle access and safety. He updated that work is beginning along Hwy99: Pony Ridge Neighborhood to 124th Ave to add a pathway along the road so it can be safely walked. Engineer McCarthy stated next steps include the 2023-2023 Transportation System Plan update that addresses the entire transportation plan in the city.

Councilor Reyes inquiry about the need for additional lighting on the Sagert Street bridge. Engineer McCarthy agreed to look into it.

Councilor Brooks expressed appreciation for addressing the bio swale on Sagert Street and commended the use of bond funding for pedestrian safety.

Council President Pratt inquired about the expected completion timeframe for the extra lane being added to Tualatin-Sherwood Road. Engineer McCarthy responded that it is planned to be finished by the end of October.

Councilor Gonzalez raised a concern about the recently installed stoplight at 65th and its impact on ambulance access. Engineer McCarthy explained that various island types were evaluated, and they determined that the island that was installed provides necessary protection for the crosswalk.

2. Parking Permit Zone Request.

Police Chief Greg Pickering presented a request for a street parking permit program along SW Blackfoot Drive and SW Osage Street. He stated the area has been experiencing issues with non-residents parking in front of homes, blocking driveways, illegal parking, and littering. Chief Pickering mentioned there were 12 calls for service regarding parking and traffic complaints in

the area during the last school year. A survey was conducted among the 25 residents in the affected area, with 15 responses received, all in favor of implementing a residential parking zone. Chief Pickering recommended restricting parking from 8 am to 2 pm on SW Osage and SW Blackfoot, as per the current code. He noted residents have requested an extension of the permit zone until 4 pm, as the school hours have been pushed back and the high school now dismisses at 3:45 pm.

Councilor Reyes inquired about allowing people who work in the area to access a parking pass. Chief Pickering clarified that the permits will be available to residents in the area, and information on how to obtain them will be provided. He noted the permits will be free of charge.

Councilor Hillier asked about enforcing the hours when they are tied to the school schedule. Chief Pickering mentioned that changing the code to specify "school days and hours" would make enforcement easier.

Councilor Gonzalez raised a question about addressing evening events. Chief Pickering explained that typically, school parking lots can accommodate those events.

Council President Pratt suggested modifying the program to include a half-hour buffer before the start and end times of school.

Mayor Bubenik inquired about the process for handling the code change. City Manager Lombos explained an ordinance would be brought back, including the new hours and adding these streets to the parking permit lists.

3. Council Meeting Agenda Review, Communications, and Roundtable.

Councilor Hillier stated she attended the Washington County Communications Agency meeting and the Tigard-Tualatin School District Long-Range Facilities Planning meeting.

Councilor Reyes stated she attended the C4 Metro subcommittee meeting.

Councilor Brooks stated she attend the Tualatin Arts Advisory Committee meeting.

Council President Pratt stated she attended the Planbeck Gardens groundbreaking, the I-205 Diversion Subcommittee meeting, and the Climate Action Plan Steering Committee meeting.

Mayor Bubenik stated he attended the Tualatin Chambers Business Advisory meeting, the Clackamas County Chair meeting, the Washington County Chair meeting, the Metro Mayors meeting, the Planbeck Gardens groundbreaking, the Greater Portland Inc. meeting, the Clackamas County Dinner, and the Regional Tolling Advisory Committee meeting.

Adjournment

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

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

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