



TUALATIN CITY COUNCIL

OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES
FOR NOVEMBER 12, 2024

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

ABSENT: Councilor Bridget Brooks

Call to Order

Mayor Bubenik called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Announcements

1. Proclamation Declaring November 30, 2024 as Small Business Saturday in the City of Tualatin

Chamber of Commerce CEO Anneleah Jaxen and Board President Susan Noack spoke to their Celebrate Local campaign. They spoke in support of all local businesses and encouraged everyone to shop small.

Councilor Gonzalez read the proclamation declaring November 30, 2024 as Small Business Saturday in the City of Tualatin.

2. American Public Works Association (APWA) Oregon Project of the Year Award – Tualatin Moving Forward Program

City Engineer Mike McCarthy announced the Tualatin Moving Forward Program received the American Public Works Association (APWA) Oregon Project of the Year award.

Public Comment

Danny O'Neal addressed traffic safety and requested that the city adopt a comprehensive traffic safety program.

Roy Clark expressed interest in having a Veteran's Day celebration held in the city next year on Veteran's Day.

Consent Agenda

Motion to adopt the consent agenda made by Council President Pratt, Seconded by Councilor Sacco. Voting Yea: Mayor Bubenik, Council President Pratt, Councilor Reyes, Councilor Hillier, Councilor Sacco, Councilor Gonzalez

MOTION PASSED

1. Consideration of Approval of the Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes of October 28, 2024

2. Consideration of **Resolution No. 5819-24** Awarding and Authorizing The City Manager to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with Jensen Hughes for Plan Review and Inspection Services
3. Consideration of **Resolution No. 5820-24** Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Collective Bargaining Agreement with Tualatin Police Officers Association – Sergeants

Special Reports

1. Tualatin Arts Advisory Committee Community Enhancement Award

The Tualatin Arts Advisory Committee members presented the Community Enhancement Award to MITCH Charter School for the inclusion of students in the creation of permanent and temporary art installations, and the integration of art into core curriculum areas.

MITCH Charter School Board President Sara Parker accepted the award.

General Business

1. Republic Services 2023 Annual Report

Republic Services Municipal Contract Administrator Travis Comfort and Municipal Relationship Manager Cindy Rogers presented the 2023 Annual Report. Administrator Comfort reported that 5,904 homes were serviced monthly in Tualatin, with 443,211 tons of materials being hauled. He highlighted the successful launch of the Recycle+ program in Tualatin this year. Administrator Comfort discussed commercial food waste, noting that county enforcement on commercial generators in Tualatin is increasing and that Republic Services will assist businesses with compliance processes. He mentioned that residential yard debris collection, including food waste, is expected to grow. Administrator Comfort provided an overview of garbage, recycling, and food waste statistics for residential, commercial, and industrial sectors.

Manager Rogers spoke about the Stoneridge Neighborhood Clean-Up events, during which nearly eight tons of waste were collected. She also noted the annual Bulky Waste Day event was a success, where 25 tons of materials were collected. Manager Rogers highlighted other community events, such as Toys for Tots, birthday party drive-by celebrations, and participation in parades.

Manager Rogers shared Republic Services' financial statements, noting that the company will not be seeking a rate adjustment in 2025. She also mentioned their collaboration with city staff to meet the requirements of the Recycling Modernization Act and waste reduction programs.

Councilor Gonzalez thanked Republic Services for their active participation in the community.

Council President Pratt asked if the yard debris carts are being utilized more with the change. Administrator Comfort stated they are anticipating an increase for the 2024 numbers.

Councilor Sacco thanked them for their work in the Las Casitas area.

Mayor Bubenik asked if there are any changes in the commodity process and pricing. Administrator Comfort stated they have not seen a change as of yet but those changes are coming in the next couple of months.

Councilor Reyes asked about the Recycle+ program and would like to see more information about it in the community. Manager Rogers stated they will be showcasing the program more at community events.

2. Consideration of **Ordinance No. 1495-24** Amending Tualatin Municipal Code 8-1-252 to Add an Additional Street (SW 96th Drive)

Motion for first reading by title only to adopt Ordinance No. 1495-24 amending Tualatin Municipal Code 8-1-252 to add an additional street (SW 96th Drive) made by Council President Pratt, Seconded by Councilor Reyes.

DISCUSSION ON THE MOTION

Councilor Sacco expressed concern that this action might shift the problem to another area of the city. She stated that if the Council wishes to proceed, she would prefer applying the enforcement to only one side of the street.

Councilor Hillier voiced her concern about moving forward without feedback from the consultant on the ordinance.

Councilor Reyes stated the parking zone should cover the entire area, not just one side of the street, and expressed support for advancing the ordinance as presented.

Council President Pratt agreed with Councilor Reyes and commented that the school should be addressing the issue more effectively.

Councilor Gonzalez indicated that he would prefer to see the consultant's report before proceeding. He asked if tickets are currently being issued for illegal parking. Chief Pickering responded that they coordinate with the School Resource Officer when students park illegally and have the ability to issue city parking tickets if necessary.

Councilor Sacco inquired about the estimated cost to the city for placing signs in the designated zone. City Manager Lombos explained that the cost would be in the hundreds of dollars.

Councilor Hillier asked about the timeline for the consultant's report and what the process would be for repealing the ordinance if necessary. Chief Pickering stated that the report is expected around the beginning of the year. He noted that similar programs are implemented in other areas of the city, not just related to school parking.

Councilor Sacco noted that the street is a public street and expressed concern about targeting one group, specifically students. She emphasized the need to address related issues, including garbage and illegal parking.

Councilor Reyes stressed the importance of ensuring that emergency vehicles can access the area quickly when needed.

VOTING

Yea: Mayor Bubenik, Council President Pratt, Councilor Reyes, Councilor Hillier, Councilor Sacco, Councilor Gonzalez

MOTION PASSED

Motion for second reading by title only to adopt Ordinance No. 1495-24 amending Tualatin Municipal Code 8-1-252 to add an additional street (SW 96th Drive) made by Council President Pratt, Seconded by Councilor Reyes.

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

MOTION PASSED

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 1495-24 amending Tualatin Municipal Code 8-1-252 to add an additional street (SW 96th Drive) made by Council President Pratt, Seconded by Councilor Reyes.

DISCUSSION ON MOTION

Councilor Reyes spoke in support of the ordinance and emphasized the need for the hours to be seasonal.

Councilor Hillier pointed out that not everyone parking in the area disrespects the laws.

VOTING

Voting Yea: Mayor Bubenik, Council President Pratt, Councilor Reyes, Councilor Gonzalez

Voting Nay: Councilor Hillier, Councilor Sacco

MOTION FAILED for lack of unanimity

Council Communications

None.

Adjournment

Mayor Bubenik adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

_____ / Nicole Morris, Recording Secretary

_____ / Frank Bubenik, Mayor