



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE TUALATIN CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING FOR AUGUST 23, 2021

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 6:00 p.m.

1. Police Department Updates.

Police Chief Bill Steel presented updates from the Tualatin Police Department. He spoke to the Mental Health Response Team. Chief Steele stated this position is in partnership with Tualatin, Tigard, Sherwood, and King City. He stated the tentative start date is early September and the position will be housed out of the Tualatin Police Department. Chief Steele spoke to the new body worn cameras and presented the guiding principles for the program. He stated the department was awarded a \$15,000 grant towards the implementation of the program and an additional federal grant is pending. Chief Steele presented traffic stop data and crime statistics for the first part of 2021. He spoke to the digital radio conversion for the department. Chief Steele stated in 2016 a bond was passed for this replacement. He noted the new 911 center will be open in November and completion of the radio conversion will be in September. Chief Steele stated the department is recruiting for a new officer. He noted discussions are ongoing regarding the Student Resource Officer position with the School District Task Force. Chief Steele stated the department is continuing to implement state law changes as they are passed.

Councilor Pratt asked if the Mental Health Officer will be with another Officer. Chief Steele stated she will always be paired with an Officer. Councilor Pratt asked if she will be able to respond to other cities in need depending on what Officer she is with. Chief Steele stated they will respond to whichever city has the need not the city who's Officer she is with at the time.

Councilor Pratt asked if every Officer will have a body camera. Chief Steele stated every uniformed Officer will have a camera.

Councilor Brooks asked if the clinician will be working on just mental health or behavioral health as well. Chief Steele stated the clinician will help to guide Officer's in each situation based on the needs of the individual.

Mayor Bubenik asked where feedback on the body camera policy can be registered. Chief Steele stated feedback can come straight to him.

2. Council Meeting Agenda Review, Communications & Roundtable.

Councilor Sacco stated she attended the Council Representative Roundtable meeting with Susanne Bonamici and the Viva Tualatin event.

Councilor Pratt stated she attended the Clackamas County Climate Action Task Force meeting and the Tualatin Native Land Acknowledgment Task Force.

Councilor Brooks stated she attended the Policy Advisory Board meeting and the Tualatin Arts Advisory Committee meeting. She thanked Julie Ludemann and staff for all of their work during these every changing times.

Council President Grimes stated she has heard nothing but great feedback on the Viva Tualatin events. She stated she has also received great feedback on the Library being reopened.

Mayor Bubenik stated he met with Metro Councilor Gareth Rosenthal to discuss traffic, met with Congresswoman Bonamici's staff regarding transportation funding, attended the Washington County Board meeting regarding the Urban Renewal Area for Basalt Creek, attended the Greater Portland Inc. Board meeting, and attended the Viva Tualatin event.

Mayor Bubenik adjourned the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

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