



## OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE TUALATIN CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION FOR OCTOBER 12, 2020

Present: Mayor Frank Bubenik, Council President Nancy Grimes, Councilor Bridget Brooks, Councilor Robert Kellogg, Councilor Paul Morrison, Councilor Maria Reyes

Absent: Councilor Valerie Pratt

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Mayor Bubenik called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

### **1. SW Corridor Project.**

Policy Analyst Gareth Prior presented the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with TriMet regarding the Southwest Corridor Plan. He stated the MOU details the shared interest between Tualatin and TriMet, clarifies issues to be addressed, and does not obligate Tualatin to fund any part of the light rail system. He briefly highlighted the 12 items noted in the MOU. He stated the letter of support will help TriMet to apply for the next step in the Federal Transit Agency's New Start Program which helps with the federal risk assessment, and can increase competitiveness of the application and lower contingency costs.

Mayor Bubenik asked if the Metro vote fails if they will still finish the design of the project. Analyst Prior stated they will complete the process through the record of decision with the federal government so the project is ready to move forward if funded in the future.

### **2. Regional Land Use & Transportation Update.**

Policy Analyst Gareth Prior presented the Regional Land Use and Transportation Planning update. He highlighted the Oregon Department of Transportation Tolling Project. Analyst Prior stated the Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC) met in September and approved investing net toll revenues on the corridors from which they were collected. He noted the chair called for a finance and implementation report that defines investments from ODOT staff. Analyst Prior stated the commission spoke to their regional strategy based on the I-205 corridor improvements. He noted improvements would include widening, bridge repairs, bike and pedestrian improvements, and additional safety improvement. Analyst Prior stated other updates include ongoing meetings of the Equity Committee, a letter from Clackamas County cities to the OTC for revenue decisions, and the National Environmental Policy Act first public comment period ending. He stated the next round of staff committee meetings on technical issues has begun.

Councilor Kellogg asked about potential for an expanded tolling corridor. Analyst Prior stated it is not likely they will carry it past the I-5 and I-205 intersection. Councilor Kellogg asked if there was discussion on the duration of the tolling infrastructure. Analyst Prior stated it is still being determined. Councilor Kellogg asked if there has been any movement on moving the proposed toll booths past Stafford Road. Analyst Prior stated he has not seen any new alternatives that include that option.

Councilor Morrison asked if 99W is the only alternative route besides I-205 that is slated for improvements. Analyst Prior stated the funding and implementation plan that was requested from ODOT is where the city will be able to understand what projects will be funded.

Councilor Reyes asked when the Equity Committee will be meeting again to discuss this. Analyst Prior stated the committee hasn't met since July as they were waiting for the comment period to close so the next round of alternatives could be discussed.

Analyst Prior presented an update on the HB2017 Transit Advisory Committee and the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF). He stated the committee met in September and heard public comment on the greater investment in suburban shuttles and city-to-city connections. The committee also discussed regional coordination funding support in the amount of \$3.1 million for three years. He stated the timeline sets approval toward the end of this year.

Analyst Prior presented a jurisdictional transfer study being conducted by ODOT and Metro. He recapped which streets are owned by the state including: I-5, OR 99W, SW Nyberg Street, and SW Boones Ferry Road. Analyst Prior stated the study evaluates older state roads and establishes corridors that can be transferred to city or county ownership. He stated staff submitted comments on the proposed transfer that included the city stating Tualatin has no interest in taking ownership of 99W, but do want to see investments and a long-term plan for the corridor. Analyst Prior stated the study should provide a template for cost estimations and support changes that allow for greater flexibility in design and speed control on state facilities.

Councilor Brooks asked if Boones Ferry Road was recommended. Analyst Prior stated there were no other top tier recommendations in Tualatin.

Councilor Morrison asked if Nyberg Road could be presented as a project for ODOT to make improvements on. Analyst Prior stated they could present it to them to get the road to a state of good repair.

Councilor Kellogg asked about the Build Grant for the Basalt Creek Parkway. Analyst Prior stated he will have to check to see if that grant was awarded.

Councilor Brooks asked about the Boones Ferry Road section and the impacts light rail will have on the area.

### ***3. Council Meeting Agenda Review, Communications & Roundtable.***

Councilor Kellogg gave kudos to the local Lion's Club on their event and the Tualatin Historical Society on their fundraising event.

Councilor Morrison stated he will be attending the School Resource Officer meetings to continue those discussions.

Councilor Reyes stated she attended the Council Committee on Advisory Appointments meeting and the Our Health, Our Home forum.

Councilor Brooks stated she attended the following meetings: Council Committee on Advisory Appointments, the Our Health, Our Home forum, the Regional Water Advisory Committee, and the Washington County Implementation Planning Committee for the Metro Housing Bond.

Mayor Bubenik stated he attended the Clackamas County Mayors and Chair meeting and the Washington County Coordinating Committee. He reminded citizens about the upcoming Community Conversation about Police Use of Force on Wednesday.

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

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

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