



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE TUALATIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING FOR OCTOBER 09, 2023

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

Call to Order

Mayor Bubenik called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of allegiance led by Tualatin Veterans Group.

Announcements

1. Proclamation Declaring the Month of October 2023 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in the City of Tualatin

Councilor Sacco read the proclamation declaring the month of October 2023 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in the City of Tualatin.

2. Proclamation Declaring October 23-31, 2023 as Red Ribbon Week in the City of Tualatin

Councilor Hillier read the proclamation declaring October 23-31, 2023 as Red Ribbon Week in the City of Tualatin.

Tualatin Together members presented information on Red Ribbon Week. They announced an upcoming Spanish speaking event, Empoderando Familias, on October 28.

3. New Employee Introduction- Police Officers Brendan Ascher and Christian Jackson, and Sergeant James Wall

Police Chief Greg Pickering introduced Police Officers Brendan Ascher and Christian Jackson, and announced Sergeant James Wall's promotion.

Public Comment

None.

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 Brooks, Councilor Reyes, Councilor Hillier, Councilor Sacco, Councilor Gonzalez

MOTION PASSED

1. Consideration of Approval of the Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes of September 25, 2023
2. Consideration of **Resolution No. 5730-23** Authorizing Acceptance of Right-of-Way from Washington County for the Boones Ferry Corridor Phase 2 Project, Part of the Tualatin Moving Forward Program

Special Reports

1. Summer Programs Recap and Fall Preview

Recreation Manager Julie Ludemann and Public Services Manager Sara Jesudason presented a recap of summer programs and a preview of fall programs. Manager Jesudason reported that the library had 2,322 readers participate in the summer reading program. She summarized the various STEAM events held throughout the summer. Manager Ludemann mentioned that Viva Tualatin took place, highlighting arts and culture in the city. She also noted there were eight weeks of summer camp that hosted 522 kids in grades 1-10. Concerts in the Parks were held, including four Friday night concerts and two lunchtime concerts, with over 5,000 attendees. Manager Jesudason provided a recap of library and volunteer events, including the Library Summer Youth program. Manager Ludemann recapped events that parks volunteers participated in, such as Team Tualatin, corporate and group events, and DIY events. She mentioned upcoming volunteer events, including the Hug a Tree Corporate event, Put Down Roots, Light up the Lake Corporate event, and National Family Volunteering Day. Manager Jesudason stated the Tualatin Police Department hosted a summer program for kids and participated in National Night Out. Manager Ludemann stated the Juanita Pohl Center hosted various fitness and enrichment events over the summer, with a total of 4,187 participants. Manager Jesudason expressed gratitude for the summer recreation partners.

Manager Jesudason provided a preview of library events for the fall, including Teen Friday Nights, Dia de la Muertos, pumpkin events in October, and DINOvember. Manager Ludemann shared information about fall events at the Juanita Pohl Center, such as the Friday the 13th Haunted Walking Tour, the Veterans Recognition Breakfast, and DIY workshops. She also mentioned the West Coast Giant Pumpkin Regatta would be held on October 22.

Public Hearings - Legislative or Other

1. Consideration of **Resolution No. 5729-23** Adopting Findings in Support of an Exemption from Competitive Bidding and Authorizing the Use of a Design-Build Alternative Contracting Method for the Juanita Pohl Center Siding Replacement

Director Sykes presented the Juanita Pohl Center design-build procurement process. She explained that the building's siding is worn and damaged and requires replacement. The budget for the project is set at \$275,000. Director Sykes stated staff is requesting permission to use a design-build solicitation method to streamline the project. Director Sykes outlined the benefits of this method, which includes having one contractor throughout the process, potential cost efficiencies and savings, and more efficient construction oversight and management. The next steps in the process include determining the procurement method, developing the project's scope and selecting a contractor, completing the design work, and ultimately beginning construction.

Mayor Bubenik asked if this process has been used for other projects. Director Sykes stated the process was used on the City Services Facilities and the Library.

Councilor Gonzalez spoke in favor of the process.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Councilor Brooks spoke in favor of this selection method.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 5729-23 adopting findings in support of an exemption from competitive bidding and authorizing the use of a design-build alternative contracting method for the Juanita Pohl Center siding replacement made by Councilor Brooks, Seconded by Council President Pratt.

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

MOTION PASSED

General Business

1. Council appointment of Transportation System Plan Community Advisory Committee members

Assistant Community Development Director Steve Koper presented recommendations for the Transportation System Plan Community Advisory Committee members. He stated they received 30 applications and are recommending 12 applicants who represented a diverse range of interests and perspectives. Director Koper also noted the Council had requested the appointment of 1-2 Council members, and a member from the Planning Commission had expressed interest in participating as well.

Councilor Pratt asked if other agencies will be able to provide feedback. Director Koper stated those agencies will be part of a technical advisory committee.

Councilor Brooks asked if there are any youth members. Director Koper stated they did not receive any youth applications.

Mayor Bubenik recommended Council President Pratt and Councilor Gonzalez serve as Council liaisons with Councilor Hillier serving as an alternate.

Council consensus was reached to appoint recommended members.

Council Communications

Councilor Sacco stated she attended the C4 meeting where they are seeking interested partners in participating in a statistically valid survey regarding tolling. She asked if there is Council interest in participation. Council consensus was reached to participate and leave the funding discretion to the city manager based on the budget.

Councilor Reyes stated she toured the Community Warehouse noting they are looking for donated household items.

Councilor Gonzalez addressed the recent events that have happened in the Tualatin-Tigard School District (TTSD). He expressed support of the parents and wants them to be heard. Councilor Gonzalez requested the Council adopt a proclamation in support of the parents of TTSD.

Council President Pratt stated she feels it is not the Council's role to take a stance on the matter. Mayor Bubenik concurred that it is TTSD business to hear those parents and would defer to them on the matter.

Councilor Hillier spoke in opposition of a proclamation as not every parent has the same stance, the weaponization of kids, and not crossing into TTSD business.

Councilor Brooks stated she supports good outcomes and feels TTSD is hearing parents tonight at their meeting.

Council President Pratt promoted the Tualatin Police Foundation Duck Raffle, noting tickets are available on their website.

Mayor Bubenik stated this Saturday is Vine2Wine and tickets can be purchased at the Library.

Adjournment

Mayor Bubenik adjourned the meeting at 8:22 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

_____ / Nicole Morris, Recording Secretary

_____ / Frank Bubenik, Mayor