



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF TUALATIN CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION FOR AUGUST 12, 2013

Present: Mayor Lou Ogden; Council President Monique Beikman; Councilor Frank Bubenik; Councilor Joelle Davis; Councilor Nancy Grimes; Councilor Ed Truax

Staff City Manager Sherilyn Lombos; City Attorney Sean Brady; Police Chief Kent Barker;

Present: Assistant City Manager Alice Rouyer; Community Services Director Paul Hennon; Finance Director Don Hudson; Deputy City Manager Sara Singer; Planning Manager Aquilla Hurd-Ravich; Deputy City Recorder Nicole Morris; Information Services Manager Lance Harris; Associate Planner Cindy Hahn; Parks and Recreation Manager Carl Switzer; Maintenance Services Division Manager Clayton Reynolds; Economic Development Manager Joe Phillips; Public Works Director Jerry Postema

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ogden called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

1. ***Economic Development Program Update***

Economic Development Manager Joe Phillips presented the Economic Development Program update. He briefed the Council on his support role to the Economic Development Program including new business recruitment, business retention and expansion, and being the city business and development liaison. The project schedule for the Economic Development Strategic Plan update was presented and it was noted that he is currently in the data collection phase. Manager Phillips spoke to the customer service survey that was completed and to Tualatin's participation in Greater Portland, Inc. (GPI). He will be sending out monthly business updates, targeted industry announcements, and public policy news to better inform the community of economic activities and keep business informed about city activities in the future. A Doing Business in Tualatin event will occur on September 12 to promote a development climate throughout the city.

2. ***Backyard Chickens: Research Results & Best Practices***

Associate Planner Cindy Hahn and Planning Manager Aquilla Hurd-Ravich presented research results and best practices for backyard chickens. Research was conducted on complaints received and best practices in Washington County and 14 cities. Best practices included 4 chickens per property, no roosters, enclosures, specified setbacks, permitting, and slaughter regulations. Associate Planner Hahn presented possible ordinance components for consideration including limiting the number of hens, no roosters, no slaughtering, enclosures, permitting, and inspection. She will be back at the September 9 work session for policy direction from the council. A public hearing for the final ordinance is scheduled for November 12.

Councilor Davis addressed concerns regarding implementing a no slaughtering policy and limits peoples' ability to complete the whole life cycle of the chicken.

Councilor Truax is not in favor of backyard chickens and expressed concerns over slaughtering and food storage.

Mayor Ogden stated that he would like to see rules implemented that would not allow slaughtering, address setbacks, design standards for coops, free range limitations, and notices to neighbors.

Councilor Grimes would like to see setbacks from adjacent property lines, permits with fees, and notification to neighbors implemented as part of an ordinance.

3. Centennial Celebration Update

Parks and Recreation Manager Carl Switzer and Community Services Director Paul Hennon presented the Centennial Celebration update. Manager Switzer covered the events that have already occurred including the "You Are There!" performance and the Centennial Celebration at the Crawfish Festival. He spoke to events that are currently underway such as the Tualatin Discovery Challenge and the Centennial Geocaching Challenge. Upcoming events include an encore presentation of "You Are There!", sales of the centennial commemorative coin, and the gathering of items for the time capsule.

Councilor Bubenik thanked the members of the Centennial Committee for all their hard work on these events.

ADJOURNMENT

The work session adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

 / Nicole Morris, Recording Secretary

 / Lou Ogden, Mayor