



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL WORK SESSION OF THE TUALATIN CITY
COUNCIL FOR SEPTEMBER 16, 2013

Present: Mayor Lou Ogden; Council President Monique Beikman; Councilor Joelle Davis; Councilor Wade Brooksby; Councilor Nancy Grimes

Absent: Councilor Ed Truax; Councilor Frank Bubenik

Staff Present: Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager; Sean Brady, City Attorney; Kent Barker, Police Chief; Alice Rouyer, Assistant City Manager; Don Hudson, Finance Director; Sara Singer, Deputy City Manager; Nicole Morris, Deputy City Recorder; Ben Bryant, Management Analyst; Jerry Postema, Public Works Director

A. CALL TO ORDER

Council President Beikman called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

B. AGENDA

1. Public Involvement Direction Regarding Seneca Street Extension & Council Building

City Manager Sherilyn Lombos opened the discussion by summarizing where the Council left off at the last work session.

Deputy City Manager Sara Singer briefly recapped the background information, feasibility study, parking and traffic, key decisions, and the public information meeting summary. She outlined the draft public involvement plan and the sections where Council direction is needed.

Councilor Grimes would like to see Section II modified so that it does not presuppose a outcome for the discussions.

Mayor Ogden asked what the Council is looking to gain from the public involvement and how they plan to use the information.

Councilor Brooksby would like to use this information to help better understand the public's opinion on the project, as well as use these meetings to help educate the citizens on the pros and cons of the project.

Councilor Davis agreed with Councilor Brooksby and would also like to see different options presented for discussion, as well as open the floor to potential alternative solutions from the public.

Mayor Ogden asked if these alternative solutions could be in regards to transportation as well.

Councilor Davis is not interested in discussing transportation only in discussing items in relation to a "build" or "no build" solution and the pros and cons related to each. She would also like locations discussed if the option is to build a building.

Councilor Grimes stated the Transportation System Plan (TSP) and several other traffic studies have all concurred that the Seneca Street extension needs to go through.

Mayor Ogden suggested having the engineers who have completed these studies available at the meetings to answer questions.

Councilor Davis would like to make sure funding options for the street extension are discussed and an explanation on how Transportation Development Tax (TDT) credits work. She also noted that how Council receives information back from these meetings is going to depend on how the meetings go. She would like the Citizen Involvement Organization (CIO) executive board to decide how they would like to present the information from their meetings back to the Council.

Council President Beikman wants to see information as to how many people attended, how they voted, and perspectives of both sides from each CIO meeting.

Mayor Ogden asked about the fact sheet to be presented and if the CIO's have meeting dates in place.

Deputy City Manager Singer stated she is working on a draft fact sheet for Council review and the CIO's have been contacted and meeting dates are being established.

Council President Beikman would like to see a survey conducted for those who cannot make a meeting. She would also like to see topics presented at the meetings instead of a list of questions, and wants to make sure that the topics encompass the listed questions in the draft Public Involvement plan.

Mayor Ogden asked questions about financing in relation to the street extension and when the Council would know who would be responsible for paying to construct it.

City Manger Lombos stated that the staff should have more information regarding the TDT credits in October or November.

Mayor Ogden and Councilor Brooksby want to make sure that citizens understand the difference for financing between the Council Building and the Seneca Street extension and how the financing works.

2. Direction on Parking Restrictions in Neighborhoods.

Mayor Ogden stated that he had received a email and phone call regarding a military vehicle called a "Deuce and a Half" parked on a residential street. This has raised the issue about what is appropriate for parking on neighborhood streets. He asked the Council if this is a topic they are interested in looking into.

Councilor Grimes stated that she is interested in pursuing this topic as it came up at a CIO meeting she attended.

Councilor Davis expressed interest in researching what other cities have done to address this sort of issue.

Council President Beikman is fine with pursuing this but does not want staff to spend a lot of time on the issue.

City Manager Lombos noted that other large vehicles are addressed in the code such as RV's and boats but this is a specific type of vehicle.

City Attorney Brady stated that we would refer to state law in this case which is not specific and this particular vehicle is registered with DMV as a special vehicle.

Councilor Davis stated that she would like to look at the size of vehicles in relation to the size of the street.

City Manager Lombos stated that staff will research this issue and bring back options to a future Council Work Session.

C. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILORS

Council President Beikman asked for a update on the status of the noise ordinance. City Attorney Brady stated that the ordinance will come before Council in October.

Councilor Davis asked for a update on the towing ordinance. City Attorney Brady stated that the ordinance will come before Council on October 28, 2013.

D. ADJOURNMENT

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

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

Nicole Morris / Recording Secretary, Nicole Morris

Monique L. Beikman / Mayor, Lou Ogden
Council President, Monique Beikman