



MINUTES
KEIZER CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, January 21, 2020
Keizer Civic Center, Council Chambers
Keizer, Oregon

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Clark called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Roll call was taken as follows:

Present:

Cathy Clark, Mayor
Daniel Kohler, Councilor
Marlene Parsons, Councilor
Laura Reid, Councilor
Roland Herrera, Councilor
Elizabeth Smith, Councilor

Staff:

Chris Eppley, City Manager
Shannon Johnson, City Attorney
Nate Brown, Community Development Director
Bill Lawyer, Public Works Director
John Teague, Police Chief
Tracy Davis, City Recorder

Absent:

Kim Freeman, Councilor

FLAG SALUTE Mayor Clark led the pledge of allegiance.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Matt Lawyer, Keizer, shared information regarding the Planning Commission 2020 Work Plan and commended staff and past and current Planning Commissioners for their hard work in 2019.

Mr. Lawyer also reported that after lengthy discussion and study the Keizer Little League Park Long Range Planning Task Force had come up with a recommendation of soliciting outside management of the facilities with a long-term lease with a backup plan of City operation of the facility.

Tanya Hamilton, Keizer, reported that the Parks Advisory Board worked on updating the donation policy to include memorials. Board members reported on their specific park assignments, discussed security cameras for various parks and the possibility of putting in a practice soccer field at Clearlake Park and viewed pictures of the Eagle Scout project completed by Spencer Willis at the amphitheater.

a. Appointment to the Audit Committee City Manager Chris Eppley read his staff report. Mayor Clark appointed Kevin Dial to fill the vacancy on the Audit Committee.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY None

PUBLIC HEARING

None

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

a. RESOLUTION – Authorizing the City Manager to Sign Intergovernmental Agreement between Marion County and City of Keizer

Community Development Director Nate Brown summarized his staff report.

Councilor Herrera moved that the Keizer City Council adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Sign Intergovernmental Agreement between Marion County and City of Keizer for Community Prosperity Initiative. Councilor Reid seconded. Motion passed as follows:

AYES: Clark, Reid, Parsons, Herrera, Smith and Kohler (6)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

ABSENT: Freeman (1)

CONSENT CALENDAR

a. Approval of January 6, 2020 City Council Regular Session Minutes

Councilor Herrera moved for approval of the Consent Calendar. Councilor Reid seconded. Motion passed as follows:

AYES: Clark, Reid, Parsons, Herrera, Smith and Kohler (6)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

ABSENT: Freeman (1)

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS

Councilor Kohler announced the upcoming Monster Cookie Ride and Community dinner, reported that Hersch Sangster was honored as the 2019 First Citizen and that he had ‘Hard of Hearing’ cards available.

Councilor Reid reported on meetings and events she had attended, shared information about the interactive parks map on the City website, and announced that Southeast Keizer and West Keizer neighborhood associations are partnering to manage food barrels throughout the year for Keizer Food Share.

Councilor Smith commended Mayor Clark for representing Keizer at the Mid-Valley Realtors annual meeting and reported on what was discussed at the Charter Review Committee meeting.

Councilor Parsons reported on meetings and events she had attended; congratulated recipients of honors given at the First Citizens Banquet and announced the Volcanoes Winter Banquet.

Councilor Herrera reported on meetings and events he had attended and urged everyone to attend the Salem-Keizer Beacons dinner on February 1 and to read the ‘People of Color’ document which will be presented at the League of Oregon Cities Board meeting.

Mayor Clark reported on meetings and events she had attended and announced upcoming ones.

OTHER BUSINESS Chief Teague announced the second annual Citizen Academy on February 6.

Nate Brown provided details on the First Annual Housing Summit which he attended which discussed the elimination of single-family exclusive zoning. He noted that this would make it challenging for the city to maintain the sense of community that Keizer has and still meet the intent of the housing requirements.

Mayor Clark reported that she had received a request to increase the number of hens allowed under the current ordinance and Councilors Reid and ~~Parsons~~¹ had requested that Council consider making the Keizer ordinance consistent with Salem's. Mr. Brown suggested that Council initiate the text amendment process because staff would like to revisit other aspects of the current ordinance.

Councilor Herrera moved to suspend the rules. Councilor Reid seconded. Motion passed as follows:

AYES: Clark, Reid, Parsons, Herrera and Smith (5)
NAYS: Kohler (1)
ABSTENTIONS: None (0)
ABSENT: Freeman (1)

Discussion followed regarding the current ordinance, violations, complaints, livestock governance and the process.

Councilor Herrera moved to initiate a legislative amendment to the Keizer Development Code regarding the number of chickens allowed and other changes that need to be included. Councilor Reid seconded. Motion passed as follows:

AYES: Clark, Reid, Parsons, Herrera, Kohler and Smith (6)
NAYS: None (0)
ABSTENTIONS: None (0)
ABSENT: Freeman (1)

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Clark shared a letter from Kevin Mannix asking for a support letter for the company he is with to purchase the Union Pacific rail line from Woodburn to Stayton for use as a multi-modal rail at Brooklake. Six other cities have supported the project; there is no monetary commitment.

Councilor Herrera moved to suspend the rules. Councilor Reid seconded. Motion passed as follows:

AYES: Clark, Reid, Parsons, Herrera, Kohler and Smith (6)
NAYS: None (0)
ABSTENTIONS: None (0)
ABSENT: Freeman (1)

¹ Corrected to 'Freeman' prior to approval

Council agreed by consensus to write a letter of support to Kevin Mannix and his company for the proposed purchase of Union Pacific rail line from Woodburn to Stayton (33 miles of track).

AGENDA INPUT

February 3, 2020, 7:00 p.m. – City Council Regular Session
February 10, 2020, 6:00 p.m. – City Council Work Session
February 18, 2020 (Tuesday), 7:00 p.m. - City Council Regular Session
March 2, 2020, 7:00 p.m. - City Council Regular Session

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Clark adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

MAYOR:

APPROVED:

Cathy Clark

Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilor #1 – Laura Reid

Councilor #4 – Roland Herrera

~ Absent ~

Councilor #2 – Kim Freeman

Councilor #5 – Elizabeth Smith

Councilor #3 – Marlene Parsons

Councilor #6 – Daniel R. Kohler

Minutes approved: 02-03-20