



# CITY COUNCIL

## Regular Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2024

City Recorder Lilly Alarcon-Strong opened the Meeting at 7:00pm and announced that according to paragraph 33 of the Rules of Order and Procedure for the City Council, when the Mayor and Council President are absent, the City Recorder shall call the meeting to order and take roll call. If a quorum is present, the Council will proceed to elect, by majority vote of those present, a Temporary Chairperson to act for the remainder of the meeting, or until either the Mayor or Council President appears. Present were Councilors Peterson, Myers, Linton, Hardin, McCarthy, and Barron. City Staff in attendance included: City Manager Byron Smith, Assistant City Manager Mark Morgan, City Attorney Rich Tovey, Chief Jason Edmiston, Parks and Recreation Director Brandon Artz, City Planner Clint Spencer, and Recycled Water Superintendent Bill Schmittle. Also present were Student Advisors Catherine Doherty, Aspyn Inners, and Yaneisy Perez. Finding a quorum exists, with the exception Mayor Drotzmann, Council President Primmer, and Councilor Duron; Councilor Myers moved and Councilor Hardin seconded to nominate Councilor McCarthy as Temporary Chair. Motion carried unanimously. The pledge of allegiance was given.

### **Presentation- Hermiston School District (HSD) Updates**

Assistant Superintendent Jake Bacon gave HSD updates to include: Education Pathways Program, Christmas Express Program partnership to include an all HSD can food drive, 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Knowledgebowl with over 100 students from the region participating, AWS Girls in Tech Days, Family Resource Night, Thanksgiving Break, winter athletics, and the recognition of two coaches who received Coach of the Year honors in the Mid-Columbia Conference: Troy Blackburn in Leadership of the Boys Cross Country Team and Daniel Headley for Exceptional Work with the Girls Volleyball Team.

### **Citizen Input on Non-Agenda Items**

None given.

### **Consent Agenda Items**

Councilor Linton moved and Councilor Barron seconded to approve Consent Agenda item A-G, to include:

- A. Confirmation to Reappoint Josh Burns to the Airport Advisory Committee, Position 4, Term Ending October 31, 2027
- B. Confirmation to Reappoint Jeff Kelso to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, Position 1, Term Ending October 31, 2027
- C. Confirmation to Reappoint Hunter Tibbals to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, Position 3, Term Ending October 31, 2027
- D. Confirmation to Appoint Mary Mejia-Weaver to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, Position 2, Term Ending October 31, 2027
- E. Cancel the December 23, 2024 City Council Meeting
- F. New Liquor License Application Recommendation for: Royal Mart #116 located at 1655 N 1st Street
- G. Minutes of the October 28th City Council Work Session and Regular Meeting

Motion carried unanimously.

### **Ordinance No. 2367- Fats, Oils, & Greases (FOG) Requirements**

Assistant City Manager Morgan presented information (PowerPoint attached) regarding Ordinance No. 2367 that would implement requirements on commercial sewer users who are most likely to or could discharge fats, oils, and greases into the publicly owned sewer system.



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After some discussion and answering questions from the Council, Temporary Chair McCarthy requested that the first reading be by title only. Hearing no opposition, City Attorney Tovey read the ordinance by title only. Temporary Chair McCarthy requested that the ordinance be put on for final adoption at this meeting and that the second reading be by title only. After City Attorney Tovey read the ordinance by title only for the second reading, Councilor Hardin moved and Councilor Myers seconded that Ordinance No. 2367 be adopted and become effective 30-days after adoption by the City Council. Motion carried unanimously.

### Resolution No. 2345- Master Fee Schedule: Add FOG Rate

City Manager Smith stated this item was presented during Ordinance No. 2367.

After further discussion, Councilor Hardin moved and Councilor Myers seconded to approve Resolution No. 2345 and lay upon the record. Motion carried unanimously.

### Committee Reports

None given.

### Temporary Chair's Report

Temporary Chair McCarthy spoke regarding:

- Encouraged the Community to attend and Councilor to sign up for City Chats
- Contact Mayor Elect Primmer regarding Council/Committee Assignments for 2025
- Christmas Express Work Party

### Council Reports

None given.

### Youth Advisory Report

None given.

### City Manager's Report

City Manager Smith reminded the Council that the December 23<sup>rd</sup> City Council Meeting has been cancelled.

### Adjourn

There was no other business and Temporary Chair McCarthy adjourned the regular City Council meeting at 7:36pm.

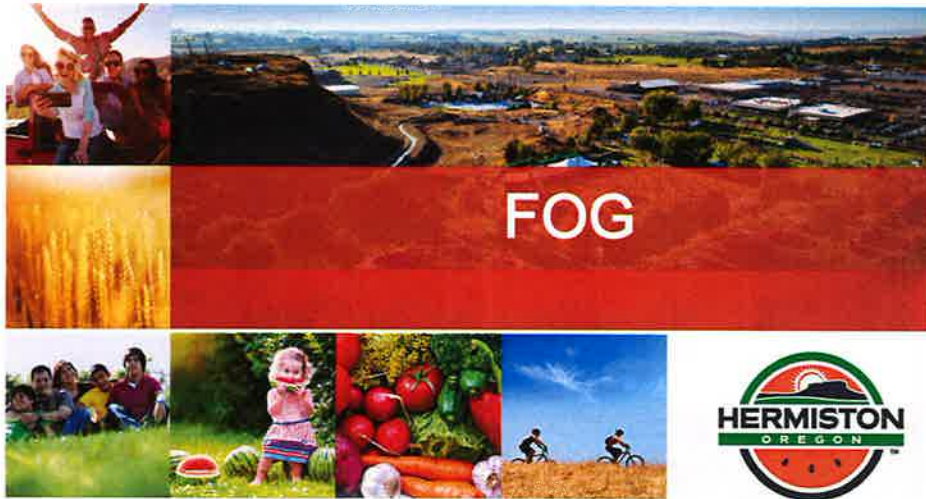
SIGNED:

   
David McCarthy, Temporary Chair

ATTEST:

  
Lilly Alarcon-Strong, City Recorder





## Code Compliance

- Requires Grease Interceptors/Grease Traps
- Requires Maintenance of Interceptors/Traps
- Permit within 60 days of code adoption (March 1?)
- Compliant within 150 days of code adoption (June 1?)
- Variance Allowed
  - **Startup challenges anticipated**



## Costs of Compliance

- Environmental Water Quality Specialist \$142,069/yr
  - Salary, Insurance, Payroll Tax, etc.
  - Overhead: HR, Admin, IT, etc.
  - Vehicle + Insurance
  - Equipment
  - Office Space



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- Environmental Water Quality Specialist \$142,069/yr
  - **FOG Program 1/3: \$47,356**
  - **Industrial Pretreatment Program 1/3: \$47,356**
  - **Backflow Prevention Program 1/3: \$47,356**







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## Costs Savings from Compliance

- Vacon Truck \$425,000 (2018)
  - 10 year replacement
  - Insurance
  - Fuel
  - Maintenance
  - Redundancy
  - \$20/hr operating cost



## Costs Savings from Compliance

- Monthly "Bad Lines" Cleaning Cost
- **Vacon + 2 Workers x 2 weeks/month (160hr/month or 1,920/yr)**
  - Labor =  $1,920 \times \$57.69 =$  **\$110,764**
  - Equipment =  $1,920 \times \$20 =$  **\$38,400**
  - Total cost of "Bad Lines" = **\$149,164**
  - Savings w/30% Less Cleaning = **\$44,749**



## Recommended FOG Rate

- Cost of Compliance: \$47,356
- Cost Savings: - \$44,749
- Net FOG Costs: \$2,607
- Estimated Permittees: 60
- Recommended FOG Rate: \$43.45/yr or \$3.62/mo





## FOG Rates: 5,000gal/mo

City	Base	Usage/1kgal*	Total
Bend	\$41.20	\$18.61	\$134.25
Redmond	\$35.60	\$5.12	\$61.20
Hermiston	\$40.67	\$3.49	\$61.74**

Examples: Restaurant w/no indoor seating and no drive through; convenience store

\*includes FOG Rate

\*\*includes flat FOG rate at \$3.62/mo



## FOG Rates: 35,000gal/mo

City	Base	Usage/1kgal*	Total
Bend	\$41.20	\$18.61	\$651.35
Redmond	\$35.60	\$5.12	\$179.20
Hermiston	\$40.67	\$3.49	\$166.44**

Examples: Fast Food w/drive through; Dine-in Restaurant, etc.

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## Next Steps

- City Council Adoption: Nov. 12, 2024?
- Effective January 1, 2025?
- Permit required March 1, 2025?
- Compliant, or Variance by June 1, 2025?



## Questions?

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