



CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at 5:30 PM
La Pine City Hall
16345 Sixth Street, La Pine, Oregon 97739

1. Call to Order

2. Establish Quorum

Members Present: Mayor Daniel Richer, Council President Don Greiner, Councilor Connie Brieser (by telephone), Councilor Michael Harper, Councilor Mike Shields, Student Councilor Max Miller.

Staff Present: City Manager Melissa Bethel, Public Works Director Jake Obrist, Accounting Clerk Tracy Read.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Added Agenda Items

Any matters added to the Agenda at this time will be discussed during the "Other Matters" portion of this Agenda or such time selected by the City Council

5. Public Comments

3 minutes per person; when asked to the podium, please state your name and whether you live within La Pine city limits.

Scott Henderson, La Pine resident. Spoke about the Finley Butte sidewalk project.

6. HB 4079

Mayor Richer stated he was approached by the Sunriver Owners' Association requesting a letter of support for the expansion of high-speed internet to the area. Greiner moved to send a letter of support. Harper seconded. All in favor.

7. Gas Tax Ballot Initiative Discussion

Bethel requested council approval to move forward with work to put a gas tax measure on the ballot. Council approved moving forward. She then asked for direction on whether a consultant should be hired. There was discussion on the importance of community outreach events.

8. Wastewater Project Easement and Open House Discussion

Obrist delivered the staff report and provided background on the project including redrafting of the easement letter to include permanent easement language. The City will partner with an ODOT open house on April 22. Letters and flyers will have been distributed by that date.

9. Other Matters

Only Items that were previously added above in the Added Agenda will be Discussed

10. Public Comments

Comments will be limited to 3 minutes and will be restricted to the items on the agenda

11. Staff Comments

Bethel provided information on the Rotary dinner coming up in April and requested permission to attend. Information will be forwarded to council if anyone else wants to attend.

Obrist – None.

Read – stated work is beginning on the budget and this year’s general election.

12. Mayor and Council Comments

Greiner: Will attend next COIC meeting.

Briese: None.

Harper: Will be resigning his position on the council. Expects to attend the two meetings in March. Thanked everyone for their support.

Shields: Thank you to Harper for his service.

Richer: Thanked everyone for their efforts.

13. Adjourn Meeting

Pursuant to ORS 192.640, this notice includes a list of the principal subjects anticipated to be considered or discussed at the above-referenced meeting. This notice does not limit the ability of the City Council to consider or discuss additional subjects. This meeting is subject to cancellation without notice. The regular meeting is open to the public and interested citizens are invited to attend. Council may not take formal actions in Work Sessions. The public will not be permitted to attend the executive session; provided, however, representatives of the news media and designated staff will be allowed to attend the executive session. Representatives of the news media are specifically directed not to report on any of the deliberations during the executive session, except to state the general subject of the executive session as previously announced. No decision will be made in the executive session. The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours before the meeting to City Hall at (541-536-1432). For deaf, hearing impaired, or speech disabled dial 541-536-1432 for TTY.