



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE TUALATIN CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING FOR NOVEMBER 27, 2023

Present: Mayor Frank Bubenik, Council President Valerie Pratt, Councilor Bridget Brooks, Councilor Maria Reyes, Councilor Cyndy Hillier, Councilor Christen Sacco, Councilor Octavio Gonzalez

Mayor Bubenik called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

1. Record Council Holiday Greeting.

The Council recorded the holiday greeting.

2. Climate Action Plan | Draft Mitigation Actions.

Deputy Public Works Director Nic Westendorf, Management Analyst Maddie Cheek, JLA Public Involvement Consultant Jessica Pickul, and Climate and ESG Good Company Consultant Joshua Proudfoot presented the Tualatin Climate Action Plan: Mitigation Actions. Analyst Cheek explained the types of actions in the plan, outlining city roles as implementers, conveners, and support/advocates, and emphasized policy decisions. The plan is structured from broad to specific items, featuring 10 strategies addressing emission reduction potential and cost.

Consultant Pickul shared the results of an online open house, with 328 respondents, the majority expressing support for plan items. Consultant Proudfoot outlined the emissions reduction goal of achieving net zero by 2050, presenting a community-wide emissions inventory broken down by local and imported emissions sources. He shared the emissions forecast, emphasizing the 2050 goal of being net zero, and explained the strategies to achieve this.

Consultant Proudfoot introduced focus area four: bundling and energy use, noting commercial usage as the largest contributor. Consultant Pickul shared community feedback, with 53% expressing support for this focus area. Consultant Proudfoot detailed the strategies, including energy efficiency and conservation, a transition to 100% carbon-free electricity supply, transitioning to 100% renewable natural gas and clean hydrogen supply, electrification of space and water heating for new and existing buildings, and voluntary purchase of verified carbon offsets.

Consultant Proudfoot introduced focus area five: urban form and land use, receiving 61% support according to community feedback. He detailed strategies for dense future development, reducing vehicle miles traveled, and urban/community forestry for carbon sequestration. Consultant Proudfoot introduced focus area six: transportation-modes and fuel switching, with 61% community support, included strategies for fuel switching to electric vehicles and renewable fuels, active transportation, transit, and remote work options. He shared focus area seven: consumption-food and goods, with 65% community support, featuring strategies and action items for preventing emissions from food and goods.

Analyst Cheek outlined the next steps, involving finalizing the plan based on feedback, council adoption of the final plan, and implementation.

Councilor Brooks inquired about the measurement of CO2 equivalent units (CO2E). Consultant Proudfoot explained the measurement of greenhouse gases and how interventions, including offsets, contribute to reducing these emissions.

Councilor Brooks asked about the involvement of the Energy Trust and its interventions. Consultant Proudfoot clarified that Energy Trust serves all utilities and is widely used. Director Westendorf adding that the city has partnered with them in the past on projects.

Councilor Brooks expressed a desire for impactful resource utilization and sought more information on building-related initiatives, particularly the efficacy of white roofs.

Council President Pratt raised concerns about transitioning away from gas and its impacts on the electrical grid and the resulting demand. Consultant Proudfoot addressed this by discussing the capacity of the electrical grid and how demand fluctuates throughout the day.

Council President Pratt emphasized the need for the plan to evolve with advancing technology and stressed the importance of maintaining greenspace amid increasing density.

Councilor Hillier questioned community support related to biking and walking due to the lack of connections. Director Westendorf highlighted opportunities in new developments to enhance connections to services and improve safety for these modes of transportation.

Councilor Hillier inquired about best practices. Consultant Proudfoot emphasized keeping the message relatable and re-engaging the public as the city progresses with strategies.

Councilor Reyes expressed concerns about the costs associated with certain items and urged mindfulness about community expectations and associated expenses. Consultant Proudfoot assured that there are actions suitable for everyone, with tailored messaging for each community area.

Councilor Sacco inquired about PACE financing. Consultant Proudfoot noted it as a government-based program, suggesting collaboration with Energy Trust of Oregon for potential initiatives.

Councilor Gonzalez underscored the importance of education, advocating for incentive programs led by the city rather than placing the burden on property owners. He acknowledged the limited feedback received on the plan but noted the significance of moving forward with reservations on how the plan is presented.

Mayor Bubenik emphasized the inclusion of information on how residents can file for available credits in the education campaign.

Adjournment

Mayor Bubenik adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager



/ Nicole Morris, Recording Secretary



/ Frank Bubenik, Mayor








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Call to Order

Mayor Bubenik called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Announcements

1. New Employee Introduction- Police Officer Jake Fehringer

Police Chief Greg Pickering introduced Police Officer Jake Fehringer. The Council welcomed him.

2. New Employee Introduction- Parks Project Manager Kira Hein

Parks and Planning Manager Rich Mueller introduced Parks Project Manager Kira Hein. The Council welcomed her.

3. New Employee Introduction- Parks Maintenance Technicians Joshua Murche and Nico Koltzbach

Parks Maintenance Division Manager Tom Steiger introduced Parks Maintenance Technicians Joshua Murche and Nico Koltzbach. The Council welcomed them.

4. New Employee Introduction- Heidi Stanley, Creative Communications and Marketing Program Manager

Deputy City Manager Megan George introduced Creative Communications and Marketing Program Manager Heidi Stanley. The Council welcomed her.

Public Comment

Brett Hamilton voiced support for the Climate Action Plan but raised apprehensions about section 5.4.3, which involves transitioning from natural gas to electrical sources like heat pumps. He expressed concerns about potential strain on electrical grids, the need for home upgrades to accommodate the change, and potential noise issues from the units. Mr. Hamilton urged the Council not to compel a switch to heat pumps and suggested exploring geothermal solutions as an alternative.

Consent Agenda

Motion to adopt the consent agenda as amended made by Council President Pratt, Seconded by Councilor Brooks.

Voting Yea: Mayor Bubenik, Council President Pratt, Councilor Brooks, Councilor Reyes, Councilor Hillier, Councilor Sacco, Councilor Gonzalez
MOTION PASSED

1. Consideration of Approval of the Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes of November 13, 2023
2. Consideration of **Resolution No. 5737-23** Increasing the Construction Contract Authorization Amount for the Hwy 99W (124th Ave to Pony Ridge Neighborhood) Project, part of the Tualatin Moving Forward Program
3. Consideration of **Resolution No. 5738-23** Declaring Certain Art Installations as Surplus Property and Authorizing a Loan of Installation
4. Consideration of **Resolution No. 5741-23** Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Commission for the Blind For Mutual Assistance and Cooperation in the Establishment, Operation, and Maintenance of Exclusive Refreshment, Concession, and Vending Services at City of Tualatin Facilities
5. Consideration of **Resolution No. 5743-23** Authorizing the City Manager to Opt the City Out of Dupont and 3M Class-Action Settlements Related to Drinking Water Contamination

General Business

1. Consideration of **Resolution No. 5742-23** Authorizing the City Manager to Sign an Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Agreement to Participate as a Member of the Regional Water Providers Consortium

Public Works Director Rachel Sykes presented information on an updated Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Regional Water Providers Consortium. She provided a brief history and overview of the consortium, which was established in 1997 to facilitate regional collaboration for water provision. Director Sykes outlined the three sub-committees within the consortium, including the Communicator's Network, the Conservation Committee, and the Emergency Planning Committee, each focusing on different aspects of water-related initiatives and outreach.

Director Sykes highlighted the IGA governing the consortium had not been updated since 2005. The proposed revisions include expanding membership types, addressing outdated references, and aligning the agreement with the consortium's current mission and strategic plan. These updates were approved by the consortium board in October. Director Sykes recommended the Council's approval of the revised IGA.

Council President Pratt asked if new members will be considered associates. Director Sykes stated associate members will be for those outside on the boundary area. Council President Pratt expressed concerns with legal liability and cost sharing of associate members.

Councilor Brooks acknowledged the importance of the updated mission, specifically its inclusion of water conservation. She expressed appreciation for the significant work being done in this area.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 5742-23 Authorizing the City Manager to Sign an Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Agreement to Participate as a Member of the Regional Water

Providers Consortium made by Councilor Brooks, Seconded by Councilor Sacco.
Voting Yea: Mayor Bubenik, Council President Pratt, Councilor Brooks, Councilor Reyes,
Councilor Hillier, Councilor Sacco, Councilor Gonzalez
MOTION PASSED

2. Consideration of Recommendations from the Council Committee on Advisory Appointments

Councilor Sacco and Council President Pratt read the names of the recommended applicants.
Councilor Reyes encouraged residents to apply for open positions.

Motion to approve the Council Committee on Advisory Appointment recommendations made by
Council President Pratt, Seconded by Councilor Sacco.
Voting Yea: Mayor Bubenik, Council President Pratt, Councilor Brooks, Councilor Reyes,
Councilor Hillier, Councilor Sacco, Councilor Gonzalez
MOTION PASSED

Items Removed from Consent Agenda

1. Consideration of **Resolution No. 5740-23** Authorizing Solid Waste and Recycling Rate
Adjustments Effective January 1, 2024 and Rescinding Resolution No. 5664-23

Councilor Gonzalez stated he will be voting against the resolution due to the cost burden on low
income residents.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 5740-23 Authorizing Solid Waste and Recycling Rate
Adjustments Effective January 1, 2024 and Rescinding Resolution No. 5664-23 made by
Council President Pratt, Seconded by Councilor Brooks.
Voting Yea: Mayor Bubenik, Council President Pratt, Councilor Brooks, Councilor Reyes,
Councilor Hillier, Councilor Sacco
Voting Nay: Councilor Gonzalez
MOTION PASSED

Council Communications

Councilor Sacco stated they are preparing to kick-off the IDEA Committee.

Councilor Hillier stated she attended Small Business Saturday. She congratulated the Tualatin
High School Football team on a great finish to the season.

Councilor Reyes reminded residents about the Community Warehouse's need for items. She
encouraged residents to donate what they can.

Councilor Gonzalez stated he attended the Regional Tolling Advisory Committee meeting.

Councilor Brooks stated she attended the Arts Advisory Committee meeting.

Council President Pratt stated she attended the Transportation System Plan Community Advisory
Committee meeting. She stated the State Tolling Committee will be meeting in Wilsonville on
December 14th, she encouraged citizens to attend and provide public comment.

Mayor Bubenik stated he attended the Greater Portland Inc. Board meeting and the Metro Mayors
Consortium meeting. He encouraged residents to attend the State Tolling Committee and express

concerns regarding tolling. Mayor Bubenik stated the Holiday Lights Parade is coming on December 1-3 and encouraged everyone to attend.

Adjournment

Mayor Bubenik adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager



_____/ Nicole Morris, Recording Secretary



_____/ Frank Bubenik, Mayor








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