

COUNCILMEMBERS

Position No.

- 1. Tod Gunther
- 2. John Kelly
- 3. Michelle Gehring
- 4. Dave Harman
- 5. Nicola McDonald
- 6. Greg Hogan
- 7. Scott Drennen



ORTING CITY COUNCIL

Special Study Session Meeting Minutes
 Orting Multi-Purpose Center
 202 Washington Ave. S, Orting, WA
 April 18th, 2018
6PM.

ORIGINAL

CHAIR, DEPUTY MAYOR DAVE HARMAN

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER, PLEDGE AND ROLL CALL.

Mayor Penner called the study session meeting to order at 6:07pm. Councilmember Gehring led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilmembers Present: Deputy Mayor Dave Harman, Councilmembers Tod Gunther, Michelle Gehring, and, Scott Drennen. Councilmember Hogan and Kelly indicated that they will attend the meeting. Councilmember Hogan (arrived at 6:16pm) Councilmember Kelly (arrived at 6:50pm).

Absent: Nicola McDonald.

Staff Present: Mark Bethune, City Administrator, Jane Montgomery, City Clerk, JC Hungerford, Engineer.

2. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Works

✚ CM Drennen & CM Gehring

Councilmember Drennen briefed on the topics of the April Committee meeting. They were the following:

- Pedestrian Bridge over SR162 Funding;
- Kansas Street;
- South West Connector;
- Traffic Calming Devices;
- Crossing at White hawk Blvd.

Councilmember Gunther asked about the possibility of a crosswalk at the Eagles Hall due to concerns expressed to him by a citizen. Councilmember Drennen briefed on past work on this possibility. Mayor Penner stated that the issue can be addressed on the Committee level. Councilmember Gehring stated that the Water Operator in Training position was also discussed and is on the agenda.

Community and Government Affairs

✚ CM McDonald & CM Gunther

Councilmember Gunther briefed on the topics of the April Committee meeting. They were the following:

- Saw dust Burner Mural;
- Video Recording of Meetings;
- Fee Schedule;
- Economic Development briefing by Greg Easton;
- Homeless Policy;

Public Safety

✚ CM Kelly & CM Hogan

Councilmember Hogan briefed on the topics of the April Committee meeting. They were the following:

- Recommendation to send the V150 back;
- At large committee assignments. (This will be discussed when Councilmember Kelly arrives).

Mayor Penner stated that he would like the Public Safety Committee to explore the possibility of an advisory vote (non-binding) regarding fireworks during the election cycle of 2019. Councilmember Drennen would like to review current code and go forward from there.

3. STAFF REPORTS

Mark Bethune, City Administrator reported on the following:

- Public Works shop proposals will be available in the middle of May at 30% design;
- Majestic View Division II is in full swing;
- Proposals for asset management have been received and are being evaluated;
- Proposals for IT services are being evaluated;
- Margaret O'Hara Buttz the City's cashier has been promoted to Finance Clerk;
- The City is now recruiting for the cashier position;
- Greg Reed, Public Works Director will start May 1st;
- The position of City Engineer will go out in the next 30 days;
- The City went out for RFP for a virtual planner and is also interviewing 2 individuals for the position;

Councilmember Drennen wanted to be sure the new job descriptions will be brought to Council for approval.

Kaaren Woods, Court Administrator reported on the recently adopted animal control ordinances and she is updating her systems to reflect the new charges so that Pierce County can merge their citations to OMC.

Mayor Penner reported on the following:

- Chief Gard is at an emergency preparedness convention;
- Chief Gard will be bringing information to the Council for a fleet replacement plan;
- Chief Gard is working with the Mayor to come up with objective measures of working thru the drug challenges in the City;
- is working thru animal welfare issues with code enforcement and Pierce County;
- Reminded Councilmembers to sign up for the Association of Washington Cities Yearly Conference which is in June and is a budgeted training for Councilmembers;
- Progress has been made reaching Council goals and a midyear report will be provided to them;
- The schematic design from Helix for the proposed Public Safety/Court/City Hall is about seven (7) weeks away from completion;
- Managers met with Helix to discuss the needs of each department.

Deputy Mayor Harman would like to revisit Council Goals one to two times a year. Mayor Penner assured him he would bring information to the next study session.

Councilmember Gunther requested that Councilmembers be provided a City phone. Councilmember Gehring agreed that it is not good to use personal phones for City business. The Cost will be looked in to and be brought back to Council at the next study session.

3. AGENDA ITEMS

A. AB-20-TITLE 10 AMENDMENTS- Ordinance No. 2018-1023, An Ordinance Of The City Of Orting, Washington, Relating To Land Use And Zoning, Amending Title 10, Chapter 2, Section 1, Adding Definition Of Single Room Occupancy Sleeping Units.

Mark Bethune briefed on the Title 10 amendments. The code modification complies with HUD standards which enable the Soldiers Home to be in compliance for the Veterans Village Project. The items have been reviewed by the City Attorney and the City Planner and are being recommended to move forward for passage. There was a public hearing on this proposed Ordinance on April 11th.

A citizen expressed doubts about the project. In general his concerns were:

- The homes could only be built in specific zones and not in the City areas in general;
- He does not like the cost of the project;
- Says 80% of addicts will fail;
- Transportation is an issue;
- Where do they go if they fail the program;
- Can't compare the project to the one in Olympia.

Councilmember Drennen wants to make sure traffic impacts are addressed in the next phase of the project. Mayor Penner said that the City is taking a neutral position on this issue, but that the Community has been notified since May of 2017.

By Consensus Council moved the Ordinance forward to the agenda for the April 25 Council Meeting.

B. AB18-21-TITLE 13 AMENDMENTS- Ordinance No. 2018-1024, and Ordinance of the City of Orting, Amending Title 13, Chapter 2, Section 20, Adding Definition Of Single Room Occupancy Sleeping Units; Amending Title 13, Chapter 3, Section 3, Amending Statement Of Purpose And Intent Of Public Facilities Zone; Amending Title 13, Chapter 3, Section 3, City Of Orting Table Of Uses.

Mark Bethune briefed. The Planning Commission reviewed the proposals and had a public hearing on April 2, 2018, and have sent this forward with a recommendation to Council to approve. By Consensus Council moved the Ordinance forward to the agenda for the April 25 Council Meeting.

Doug Bishop

Mr. Bishop expressed concerns about whether or not it was legally defensible to limit the homes to one zone. Mark Bethune reported that there are many different types of zones in the City and they are all specific and have restrictions in each as to types of development and building.

C. AMENDING TITLES 12 AND 13 OF THE OMC, VIA ORDINANCE NO'S. 2018-1025, 2018-1026, 2018-1027, AND 2018-1028

Mark Bethune briefed on the Ordinances which are part of the Comprehensive Plan Amendments. By Consensus Council moved the Ordinance forward to the agenda for the April 25 Council Meeting.

D. DISCUSSION- V150

Councilmember Kelly reported that the Committee reviewed the V150 vehicle and the Committee is recommending that the V150 be sent back. Mayor Penner stated that this does not require Council to take action but the Mayor wanted to allow anyone with objections to contact him.

E. WATER OPERATOR IN TRAINING – Job Description and Pay Range.

Mark Bethune read the summary statement. The budget will be need to be amended in May by an Ordinance. By Consensus Council moved this forward to the agenda of May 9th.

F. US BANK DONATION OF PROPERTY-- 907 Orting Kapowsin Highway East, Parcel # 0519314010.

Mark Bethune briefed. There was a debate whether or not it was feasible to accept the donation of this property. There are fines and wetlands associated with the property. The City would inherit the problems and cleanup and take care of the wetlands. . Councilmember Kelly wants US Bank to do Geo-Tech work to see what the issue may be or cost. Mark Bethune will ask for a full report from US Bank.

G. FEE SCHEDULE- Resolution No. 2018-04, A Resolution of the City Of Orting, Washington, Adopting Fee Schedule for 2018; and Establishing An Effective Date.

Mark Bethune briefed. Council decided to move this forward to the consent agenda for the April 25 Council Meeting.

H. AMENDING ORTING MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 1, CHAPTER 6, SECTION 1- Ordinance No. 2018-1029 , An Ordinance Of The City Of Orting, Washington, Relating To City Council Meetings, Amending Orting Municipal Code Title 1, Chapter 6, Section 1.

Councilmember Gunther briefed. Council decided to move forward to the consent agenda for the April 25 Council Meeting.

I. AMENDING COUNCIL RULES- Title 2 Types of Meetings- (Adding Study Session)

Councilmember Gunther briefed. Council decided to move forward to the agenda for the April 25 Council Meeting.

J. AMENDING COUNCIL RULES-Chapter 7, Video Recording of Public Meetings.

Councilmember Gunther briefed. Doug Bishop asked that we add discretionary language for chair to move the placement of the recording equipment. Council agreed to modify the language to add discretion of the chair to move placement of recording equipment.

Councilmember Gunther proposed that the City record and stream their own meetings. Councilmember Gehring asked if this had been discussed in CGA Committee. It had not so the discussion will wait until it can be addressed at the Committee level.

K. PIERCE TRANSIT VAN POOL

Mark Bethune briefed on services available. He is seeking consensus to look in to the program. The two destinations that are available are Sumner and Puyallup. The Mayor would like to explore the possibility of subsidizing a portion of the fee for lower income citizens in the 2019 budget. By Consensus Council agreed that the Administrator could look in to the services.

Councilmember Drennen would like to consider moving the recycle area from the Charter Park Parking Lot back to Rocky Road. He feels the recycle bin needs to be monitored. The area is very messy and is covered with glass and cardboard. It is an eyesore at the Park and a possible health issue. This will be moved to the Public Works Committee.

Public Safety Committee- (continued)

Councilmember Gunther advocated for an at large position for the Public Safety Committee. Councilmember Kelly explained that the Committees currently are not set up to have at large positions and that went away when all the Committees were restructured.

Mayor Penner stated that the Public Safety Committee has always been in a U shape but a circle may solve the problem, but feels this is up to the Council to decide. He wanted to know what the ask was from Councilmember Gunther. Councilmember Gunther wanted to continue with an at large position. Councilmember Drennen asked if they can reconfigure the tables

Councilmember Gehring says it is disrespectful to tell the two chairs how they should structure their respective Committees. She stated the structure was voted on previously by Council. Councilmember Gunther stated that he was not telling the Committee what to do.

Deputy Mayor Harman explained that any Councilmember may attend a Committee but they should not dictate the materials that are on the agenda.

Councilmember Hogan stated he appreciated that the prior chairs were there the first meeting to pass the baton so to speak, but he explained it was intimidating for him as the Chair of Public Safety when Councilmember Gunther showed up with documents that no one had seen prior to the meeting that he was trying to add to the agenda.

Deputy Mayor Harman said that at the end of the discussions, each of the Committee Chairs set rules of operation for their respective Committees.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Gunther made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second By Councilmember Hogan. Motion passed (6-0).

Mayor Penner adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm.

ATTEST:



Jane Montgomery, City Clerk, OMC



Joshua Penner, Mayor