



CGA Committee Minutes

June 7th, 2023

8:30am

Greg Hogan, Councilmember, Chair

Melodi Koenig, Councilmember

Kim Agfalvi, City Clerk

Scott Larson, City Administrator

Gretchen Russo, Finance Director

Danielle Charchenko, Executive Assistant/Records Clerk

1. Call to Order.

Councilmember Melodi Koenig called the meeting to order at 8:37am. In attendance at the meeting was Councilmember Melodi Koenig, Councilmember Greg Hogan, City Administrator Scott Larson, City Clerk Kim Agfalvi, and Finance Director Gretchen Russo.

2. Parks Report.

City Administrator Scott Larson briefed that a Main Parks Master Plan was approved and the City will start looking for grant opportunities.

3. Public Comments.

No public comments.

4. Agenda Items

A. Banners and Advertising.

City Administrator Scott Larson briefed that there is an existing practice of providing space over Highway 162 for those willing to pay the banner fee. He briefed on a supreme court decision that was ruled on in Boston pertaining to flags being raised on a public flagpole and government or public speech. He stated he wanted to bring this to the attention of Council that we allow government and non-government speech at this time in the City of Orting and briefed on possible risks that could arise. Committee discussion followed.

Action: Contact City Attorney Charlotte Archer to consult on potential issues.

B. Commercial Right of Way Use Permits.

City Administrator Scott Larson briefed that there is a desire to explore commercial use of the city's right-of-way, specifically sidewalks for café seating, displays of goods, and other commercial advertising. He addressed concerns, zoning, and potential accessibility issues. Committee discussion followed.

Action: Update ordinance for commercial use in the right of way and add a fee to the fee schedule and bring back in July or August when there is a completed policy and ordinance.

C. AB23-52 – Purchasing Policy.

Finance director Gretchen Russo briefed that staff is recommending an amendment to the purchasing policy and stated a new standalone purchasing policy was desired to have a larger scope and more detail to effectively manage the day to day purchases that the city makes. The new purchasing policy pertains to the purchase of budgeted versus non-budgeted items, along with policy surrounding general purchases, public works, waivers, exemptions, credit card limits, and emergency purchases.

Action: Move forward June 14th, 2023 regular business meeting as a stand-alone item.

D. AB23-53 – Sign Code Amendments.

City Administrator Scott Larson stated that earlier this year council updated the sign code. One of the changes that was recommended by planning commission was updating the sign area of mixed-use centers such as the Safeway complex, under Orting Municipal Code (OMC) 13-7-9(B). The recommendation from planning commission was to increase maximum sign area in those locations to 40 square feet, up from the current 30 square feet. When staff were preparing the ordinance, the update to this section were inadvertently omitted, but were briefed to council as part of the recommendation. This Ordinance would add the OMC 13-7-9(B) amendments to the code to increase the sign size limit for these specific retail areas. Committee discussion followed.

Action: Move forward June 14th, 2023 regular business meeting as a stand-alone item.

4. Meeting Minutes of May 3rd, 2023.

The meeting minutes of May 3rd, 2023 were approved.

6. Action Items/Round table review.

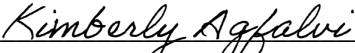
Final comments.

Identify Items that are ready to move forward, establish next meeting's agenda.

7. Adjournment.

Councilmember Koenig adjourned the meeting at 9:16am.

ATTEST:



Kimberly Agfalvi, City Clerk