

COUNCILMEMBERS

Position No.

1. Tod Gunther
2. Chris Moore
3. Don Tracy
4. Jeffery Sproul
5. Stanley Holland
6. Greg Hogan
7. Melodi Koenig



ORTING CITY COUNCIL
Study Session Meeting Minutes
104 Bridge Street S, Orting, WA
Zoom – Virtual
March 20th, 2024
6:00 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Tod Gunther, Chair

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

Deputy Mayor Gunther called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Councilmember Koenig led the pledge of allegiance, and then roll call was taken.

Councilmembers present: Councilmembers Chris Moore, Greg Hogan, Melodi Koenig, and Deputy Mayor Tod Gunther.

Virtual: Councilmembers Don Tracy and Jeff Sproul.

Absent: Councilmember Holland.

Staff present: City Administrator Scott Larson, Public Works Director Marshall Maurer, Engineer JC Hungerford.

2. COMMITTEE REPORTS.

A. Public Works - CM Moore & CM Koenig.

- SEPA code amendments.
- Kansas Street reconstruction.
- Whitehawk Blvd. extension.
- Fish passage – waterline replacement.
- Water system plan.
- Sewer relining project.
- Pedestrian bridge bid update.
- Water Resource Recovery Facility design.
- Lahar sanctuary hill.
- Side sewer policy.
- Sidewalk repair and replacement.
- Water meter upgrades.
- PFAS testing.
- TBD Policy.

B. Public Safety - CM Tracy & CM Holland.

- Safe parking.
- Emergency Management Role.
- Electronic speed signs.
- Speed camera for school zones.

C. Community and Government Affairs - CM Hogan & CM Sproul.

- Plaque/Memorial policy.
- All other items are on the agenda.

3. STAFF REPORTS.

Administration.

City Administrator Scott Larson briefed on the following:

- Lahar drill.
- Council goals meeting on April 3, 2024.
- Daffodil Festival and Parade on April 6, 2024.

4. AGENDA ITEMS.

A. AB24-23 – Safe Parking and RV Code Amendments.

Councilmember Hogan briefed on the safe parking and RV Code amendments that the CGA Committee discussed at their meeting on March 6th, 2024. He stated that planner MillieAnne VanDevender presented a power point presentation on proposed code amendments and the committee discussed the proposed amendments and suggested edits. Council discussion followed.

Action: Separate the safe parking and RV code amendments and bring back to CGA Committee meeting on April 3, 2024 for committee consideration.

B. AB24-25 – SEPA Code Amendments.

Councilmember Moore briefed on proposed SEPA code amendments that include updates to categorical exemptions for minor new construction, allowing up to 9 residential dwelling units, allow for increased square footage and parking spaces for specific types construction, to allow for parking lots with increased spaces, allow for increased cubic footage for fills and excavation, adding language to clarify a SEPA official may utilize a review process to include the Optional Determination of Nonsignificance, and minor text changes to clarify the regulations and ensure adherence to existing updated state laws. Council discussion followed.

Action: Move forward to regular business meeting on April 10th, 2024 for a public hearing and Council consideration as a standalone item.

C. AB23-105 – Food Truck Program.

Councilmember Hogan briefed on the proposed Food Truck Program and stated that all changes requested by Council have been included in the draft before them. He briefed that this includes a shorter application, a reduced vendor fee, and streamlines the process and allows for more vendors to come in. Council discussion followed.

Action: Move forward to regular business meeting on March 27th, 2024 as a consent agenda item.

D. AB24-26 - Charter Park Bathroom Materials Purchase.

City Administrator Scott Larson briefed on materials that need to be purchased for the Charter Park bathroom construction. He stated that the City needs to order materials by the March 22nd, 2024 to receive the materials timely for construction and stated this is a budgeted item. Council discussion followed.

Councilmember Moore made a motion to approve the purchase of materials for the Charter Park bathroom construction. Seconded by Koenig.

Motion passed (6-0).

E. AB24-13 – Emergency Management Role

Councilmember Tracy briefed that the hiring of an Emergency Management employee role will help to alleviate extra work being done by staff and it will consolidate emergency management to one employee. This employee would attend multiple meetings outside the City with emergency management partners and is a budgeted part time position. Council discussion followed.

Action: Move forward to regular business meeting on March 27th, 2024 as a consent agenda item.

F. AB24-20 – Farmers Market Sponsorship.

Councilmember Hogan briefed that the application for sponsorship was received timely and is complete. He stated that Doug Graves from the Orting Valley Farmer’s Market attended the meeting to answer any questions the committee had. Council discussion followed.

Action: Move forward to regular business meeting on March 27th, 2024 as a consent agenda item.

G. AB24-21 - Orting Historical Society Plaque Modification Request.

Councilmember Hogan briefed that the Orting Historical Society is asking for a modification of the existing train switch plaque to add more historical content and explanation. Council discussion followed.

Action: Move forward to regular business meeting on March 27th, 2024 as a standalone agenda item.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION.

No executive session.

6. ADJOURNMENT.

Deputy Mayor Gunther adjourned the meeting at 8:00pm.

ATTEST:

Joshua Penner
Joshua Penner (Apr 15, 2024 15:36 PDT)
Joshua Penner, Mayor

Kimberly Agfalvi
Kimberly Agfalvi, CMC, City Clerk







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