

COUNCILMEMBERS

Position No.

1. Tod Gunther
2. John Kelly
3. Tony Belot
4. John Williams
5. Gregg Bradshaw
6. Greg Hogan
7. Scott Drennen



ORTING CITY COUNCIL
Regular Business Meeting Minutes
Virtual Meeting, Orting, WA
July 8th, 2020
7 p.m.

Mayor Joshua Penner, Chair

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

Mayor Penner called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Councilmember Gunther led the pledge of allegiance.

Councilmembers Present: Deputy Mayor Greg Hogan, Councilmembers Tod Gunther, John Kelly, Tony Belot, John Williams, Gregg Bradshaw, and Scott Drennen.

Staff Present: Mark Bethune, City Administrator, Jane Montgomery, City Clerk, Scott Larson, Treasurer/Assistant City Administrator, Charlotte Archer, City Attorney, JC Hungerford, Engineer, Emily Adams, Planner.

Mayor Penner read the following statement:

**The City is utilizing remote attendance for Councilmembers and City employees. Please note: OPMA rules regarding provision for the public in a space have been suspended by proclamation of the Governor. The meeting is however, available for the public. The public was provided the call in number and Meeting ID.*

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONS OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA.

Deputy Mayor Hogan pointed out a Schriever's error on the comp plan AB#, which will be corrected to AB20-52.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

No Comments were received by the City Clerk.

The Mayor asked that each person who joined the meeting who wished to make comments, identify themselves by their name and phone number, and indicate which hearing they wanted to testify at. There was one individual who wished to make comments on the petition to vacate a portion of Kansas St. She identified herself as Colleen Harris from Apex Engineering.

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Mayor Penner announced the hearing, read the rules, and opened the hearing at 7:08pm.

A. AB20-37-Comprehensive Plan Amendment Requests Comprehensive Plan Amendments, Resolution No. 2020-11 Authorizing The Administrator To Proceed With The Selected Amendments For The 2020 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Cycle.

Mayor Penner asked Emily Adams to give her staff report. Ms. Adams briefed that applications for the 2020 Amendment Cycle were due between January 1st and February 28th, 2020. Staff reviewed each amendment request based on the criteria established in December 2019 when the Comprehensive Plan Amendment procedures were adopted. She then briefed the Council on six submittals. The Mayor then asked for any public comments. No public comments were made. Council discussion followed on each of the submittals.

The Mayor closed the hearing at 7:18pm.

Deputy Mayor Hogan made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-11, and move items forward to the Planning Commission, withholding #4-Eldredge Avenue rezone, & #5City Shop Property. Second by Councilmember Williams. Motion passed (7-0)

B. AB20-52-Hearing to Vacate a Portion of Unopened Kansas Street.

Mayor Penner announced the hearing and opened it at 7:25pm. He asked Charlotte Archer to give her staff report. Ms. Archer briefed that the portion of property under consideration is 512 sq. ft. of unopened Kansas Street at the intersection to Calistoga from Scott Corliss, the owner of the abutting parcel to the south (the "Petitioner"). The Petitioner owns more than two-thirds of the property abutting the portion of property sought to be vacated. The remaining one-third is owned by PSE and the Wang Family. The Council was asked to consider an ordinance approving the petition at its study session on July 15, 2020. If recommended for approval, the ordinance would come before Council for approval at its regular meeting on July 29, 2020. When the staff report concluded the Mayor asked for any public Comments.

Public Comments

Colleen Harris

Ms. Harris stated that she represented Scott Corliss and works for Apex Engineering, Ms. Harris briefed on the Petition to vacate the portion of Kansas that was submitted by Scott Corliss. She stated that there had been a survey error which the petitioner has asked the City to correct. She stated that the error was not caused by Mr. Corliss. She asked that the City Council approve the application.

Council Discussion followed. At issue was whether or not to approve the vacate request and if so what the compensation should be.

The Mayor closed the hearing at 7:54pm.

Action: Move forward to the study session of July 15th, with a proposed ordinance.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A.** Regular Meeting Minutes of May 24th, 2020.
- B.** Payroll and Claims Warrants

Deputy Mayor Hogan made a motion to approve Consent Agenda as prepared. Second by Councilmember Bradshaw. Motion approved (7-0).

5. COVID19 DISCUSSION

Mayor Penner briefed that the Council has discussed this issue on a regular basis, and that the only new update since his last brief is on the latest proclamation from the Governor. The new proclamation requires business owners to enforce a no mask no pay policy. The mechanism for enforcement of this will be Labor and Industries. The Police Department's role would be if they were asked to issue a no trespass order or remove someone for disorderly conduct. There is no City Ordinance related to wearing of masks.

The Mayor was asked by Councilmember Gunther to brief the City Council on whether he has done an analysis of the strengths and weaknesses so far on COVID19 requirements. The Mayor stated that he believes his team is ready and has been prepared as requirements were rolled out by the Governor. One thing that he enacted was to have the management team meet more often. He feels that the City is ready should a second wave hit. His goal is to support the citizens in this crisis. The City had foresight, and pre planned for worst case scenarios.

He advised Council that the City will be opening up City Hall for a limited amount of hours for customer facing business; which may occur by appointment. The City has installed glass partitions, follows all sanitation protocols, and will require masks to be worn in City Hall; unless someone claims an exemption or disability.

Council discussion followed surrounding the possible uses of CARES grant money. The Mayor asked that Council share their proposals with staff. All proposals will be discussed at the next study session on July 15th, 2020.

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION


No session.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Hogan made a motion to Adjourn. Second by Councilmember Belot. Motion passed (7-0)

Mayor Penner recessed the meeting at 8:03pm.

ATTEST:


Jane Montgomery, City Clerk, CMC


Joshua Penner, Mayor