

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 13, 2023

DATE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, CITY OF WOODBURN, COUNTY OF MARION, STATE OF OREGON, FEBRUARY 13, 2023

CONVENED The meeting convened at 7:03 p.m. with Mayor Lonergan presiding.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Lonergan	Present
Councilor Carney	Present
Councilor Cornwell	Present
Councilor Schaub	Present -via video conferencing
Councilor Swanson	Present -- 7:06 p.m.
Councilor Morris	Present
Councilor Cabrales	Present

Staff Present: City Administrator Derickson, Acting City Attorney Granum, Assistant City Administrator Row, Police Chief Pilcher, Public Works Director Stultz, Community Development Director Kerr, Finance Director Turley, Economic Development Director Johnk, Special Projects Director Wakely, Community Services Director Cuomo, Public Affairs and Communications Coordinator Moore, Destination Engagement Specialist Penaloza, City Recorder Pierson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Lonergan recognized the tragedy that hit Turkey and Syria and added that our condolences and thoughts go out to them.

He also recognized the tragic killing of Tyree Nichols and thanked Police Chief Pilcher and the City Administrator for their memos.

PRESENTATIONS

Pedestrian Safety Projects Update – Special Projects Director Wakeley provided a presentation on the Oregon Community Pathways Grant Program and the Safe Routes to School funding opportunity.

Economic Development and Tourism Program – Economic Development Director Johnk stated that the Economic Development Team consists of Maricela Guerrero, Kaylah Maxwell and Beny Penaloza. Destination Engagement Specialist Penaloza introduced himself to the City Council and discussed some of the items he has been working on. Economic Development Director Johnk provided an update on the items that the department has been working on which include business retention and expansion, new business development, downtown revitalization and Main Street Program, urban renewal, Public Arts and Mural Committee, and tourism.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Lonergan informed the City Council that they received a letter from Frank Scheer's sister, thanking them for the resolution renaming Locomotive Park to Frank Scheer Locomotive Park.

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CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Woodburn City Council minutes of January 23, 2023,
- B. Municipal Judge Employment Agreement,
- C. Building Activity for January 2023.

Swanson/Cabrales... adopt the Consent Agenda. Mayor Lonergan stated that the motion passed.

USE OF FORCE/PURSUIT REPORT

Police Chief Pilcher provided a staff report.

COUNCIL BRIEFING OF PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL OF A CONDITIONAL USE APPLICATION PACKAGE FOR TOWNSEND FARMS INDUSTRIAL USES AND BUILDING ADDITION AT 960 YOUNG ST (CU 22-02, DR 22-11, & VAR 22-09)

The City Council declined to call this item up.

COUNCIL BRIEFING OF PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL OF A VARIANCE APPLICATION FOR WINCO FOODS DISTRIBUTION CENTER AT 400 S. WOODLAND AVE (VAR 22-14)

The City Council declined to call this item up.

COUNCIL BRIEFING OF PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL OF A PRELIMINARY PARTITION AND VARIANCE APPLICATION PACKAGE FOR 1420 COMMERCE WAY (PAR 22-04 & VAR 22-11)

The City Council declined to call this item up.

BRIEFING ON THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL OF A DESIGN REVIEW, STREET EXCEPTION, AND ZONING ADJUSTMENT APPLICATION PACKAGE FOR TACO BELL AT 1520 N. PACIFIC HWY (DR 22-12, EXCP 22-06, & ZA 22-01)

The City Council declined to call this item up.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The City Administrator had nothing to report.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilor Cabrales reminded people that tomorrow is Valentine's day.

Councilor Swanson noted that she is excited about the non-skid rumble strips in the Hermiston area.

Councilor Morris stated that he sat in on the transit development planning process and found it interesting. He also asked why we don't fence in the railroad for safety reasons. City Administrator Derickson stated they are looking at multiple improvements and recommendations in improving pedestrian safety along the railroad. Councilor Morris stated that he has heard multiple reports of gun fire around the City. Chief Pilcher asked that if people do hear gunfire that they call and report it.

Councilor Cornwell asked about speeding on Settlemier and Police Chief Pilcher added that they have a trained motorcycle officer that can focus on traffic enforcement and soon another will be

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added.


Mayor Lonergan reported the following:

- Met with Marion County District Attorney along with Chief Pilcher, City Administrator Derickson, and Council President Carney.
- Met with the Center for Hope and Safety to discuss their efforts to help families in Woodburn.
- Met with Finance Director Turley.
- Thanked Community Services Director Cuomo for hosting the Chambers Greeters meeting at the Bungalow Theater.
- State of the City address will take place at 7:30 a.m. on February 24th in the Council Chambers at City Hall.
- Met with state legislators, Kim Thatcher and Tracey Kramer regarding our lawsuit against the state. Governor Kotek's staff participated in one of the meetings as well.
- Met with the people who are setting up the Council retreat.

ADJOURNMENT

Morris/Swanson...move to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. Mayor Lonergan adjourned the meeting at 9:13 p.m.

APPROVED 
FRANK LONERGAN, MAYOR

ATTEST 
Heather Pierson, City Recorder
City of Woodburn, Oregon