

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 24, 2025

DATE **COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, CITY OF WOODBURN, COUNTY OF MARION, STATE OF OREGON, FEBRUARY 24, 2025**

CONVENED The meeting convened at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Lonergeran presiding.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Lonergeran	Present
Councilor Cantu	Present
Councilor Cornwell	Present
Councilor Schaub	Present
Councilor Brizuela	Present
Councilor Grijalva	Present
Councilor Wilk	Present

Staff Present: City Administrator Derickson, City Attorney Granum, Assistant City Administrator Row, Economic Development Director Johnk, Community Development Director Kerr, Special Projects Director Wakely, Police Chief Millican, Community Services Director Cuomo, Public Affairs and Communications Manager Guerrero, Human Resources Director Gregg, Finance Director Turley, Public Works Director Stultz, City Recorder Pierson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Lonergeran announced that the March 10, 2025, City Council Meeting has been cancelled. The next meeting will take place on March 24, 2025.

MOMENT OF REFLECTION

Mayor Lonergeran took a moment of reflection to acknowledge the following moments:

- He attended the funeral of Jim Prosser who was a Woodburn Fireman for 30 years. He thanked the Fire District for the fantastic turn out and presentation during that ceremony with their vehicles and about 30 firemen in uniform giving Mr. Prosser a proper send off.

PRESENTATIONS

Zach Reeves Legislative Update – Zach Reeves with CFM Advocates, provided an update on the ongoing state legislative session. He noted that this year's legislative session focuses on key issues like housing and homelessness, expanding behavioral health programs funded in 2024, and addressing the K-12 education budget. Water infrastructure remains a priority, along with potential discussions on a transportation package to meet future needs.

Quarterly Financial Report – Finance Director Turley introduced Lauren Brandt from PFM Asset Management who presented an update on the City's investment report.

Update on the invasive Emerald Ash Borer – Special Projects Director Wakeley and Community Services Director Cuomo provided an update on the Emerald Ash Borer. It was noted that the City did not receive forestry grant funding for Emerald Ash Borer mitigation but remains dedicated to exploring

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other funding options to help residents address its impact.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Lonergan mentioned that he received a letter from Love INC that was very appreciative of the City's support and that he would make sure each Councilor received a copy.

BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

Laurel Boone, 1967 Smith Drive, spoke about the traffic issues in the Smith Creek neighborhood and suggested speed bumps, additional stops signs or school zones signs to help slow down traffic and reduce accidents.

Ruth West, 390 Smith Drive, spoke about the traffic issues in the Smith Creek neighborhood and suggested placing a gate saying emergency only to stop speeding.

Alyssa Downs, 878 Lana Drive, stated that she lives in the Smith Creek Addition and expressed her concerns about speeding and street racing and suggested placing speed bumps to help.

Mayor Lonergan stated that the concerns expressed tonight are also a concern of the City Council. He added that the City Council is looking at options along with police and public works.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Woodburn City Council minutes of February 10, 2025,
- B. Traffic Enforcement Report for November 2024 through January 2025,
- C. Liquor License Application for Woodburn Plaza Market LLC.,
- D. Marion County Ballot Box IGA Renewal,
- E. Fire District IGA for Fire Sprinkler, Fire Alarm, Fire Life Safety Inspections and Plan Review.

Motion: Schaub/Cantu... approve the consent agenda as presented.

The Motion passed with the following vote: Councilors Schaub, Cornwell, Wilk, Cantu, Brizuela, and Grijalva voting "aye." [6-0]

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Alternative Contracting Method (CM/GC) for Construction of the Woodburn Community Center Project

Mayor Lonergan declared the hearing open at 8:14 p.m. for the purpose of hearing public input on the Alternative Contracting Method (CM/GC) for Construction of the Woodburn Community Center Project. City Attorney Granum provided a staff report. Mayor Lonergan asked if anyone from the public wished to speak in favor of the Alternative Contracting Method (CM/GC) for Construction of the Woodburn Community Center Project. Dagmar Kinne 586 Grant Street, spoke in favor and emphasized the importance of considering maintainability when designing the building. Mayor Lonergan asked if anyone wished to speak in opposition to the Alternative Contracting Method (CM/GC) for Construction of the Woodburn Community Center Project. No member of the public wished to speak in opposition. Mayor Lonergan closed the hearing at 8:25 p.m.

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COUNCIL BILL NO. 3273 - A RESOLUTION ADOPTING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT OF ALTERNATIVE CONTRACTING METHOD IN LIEU OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WOODBURN COMMUNITY CENTER

Schaub introduced Council Bill No. 3273. City Recorder Pierson read the bill by title only since there were no objections from Council. On roll call vote for final passage, the bill passed unanimously with Councilors Brizuela, Cornwell, Wilk, Cantu, Schaub, and Grijalva voting “aye.” [6-0]. Mayor Lonergan declared Council Bill No. 3273 duly passed.

AWARD PERSONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT TO OPSIS ARCHITECTURE LLP

Community Services Director Cuomo provided a staff report.

Motion: Schaub/Wilk... authorize the City Administrator to enter into a Personal Services Agreement with Opsis Architecture LLP in the amount of \$2,390,258.00 plus reimbursable expenses estimated to be \$46,868 to provide complete architectural & engineering design services, including construction administration and closeout work for the Community Center Project.

The Motion passed with the following vote: Councilors Schaub, Cornwell, Wilk, Cantu, Grijalva, and Brizuela voting “aye.” [6-0]

COUNCIL BILL NO. 3274 – A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE BUILDING FUND FOR FY 2024-25 TO ACCOUNT FOR INCREASED PASS-THROUGH REVENUES FROM PERMIT ACTIVITY; AND AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OUT OF THE BUILDING FUND CONTINGENCY & RESERVES FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT ALLOCATION OF FIRE PLAN REVIEW FEES

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CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

The City Administrator reported the following:

- The City Council goal setting session on Friday and Saturday went well.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilor Grijalva thanked the City for the annual report and thanked them for the goal setting session.

Councilor Cantu stated that she enjoyed the goal setting session. She added that everyone is invited to attend the Chambers ribbon cutting this Friday at the new location.

Councilor Wilk stated that he looks forward to the Chamber being downtown. He added that 222 years ago, the Supreme Court's Marbury v. Madison decision established judicial review, giving courts the power to strike down unconstitutional laws and executive actions. Recently, over 90 lawsuits have challenged executive actions, with 28 judge’s ruling some unconstitutional, emphasizing the judiciary's

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vital role in upholding the Constitution and the separation of powers.

Councilor Schaub stated that she had a great time at the goal setting session and that she left inspired.

Councilor Brizuela stated that the goal setting was fun and intense and that she is excited to be a part of this Council and a part of this town which is growing so much.

Councilor Cornwell stated that she appreciates how well we all worked together during the goal setting session and that it was very encouraging and inspiring.

Mayor Lonergan stated that he also appreciates the camaraderie with Council and staff and the goals that were established during the goal setting session are very doable and that we should do a review of them in a year.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Schaub/Cornwell... move to adjourn.


The Motion passed with the following vote: Councilors Schaub, Cornwell, Wilk, Cantu, Grijalva, and Brizuela voting "aye." [6-0]

Mayor Lonergan adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

APPROVED


FRANK LONERGAN, MAYOR

ATTEST


Heather Pierson, City Recorder
City of Woodburn, Oregon