

City Council Meeting

Hybrid Meeting in Person and Via Zoom

Monday, April 01, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Baker called the City Council's hybrid meeting to order on Monday, April 01, 2024, at 7:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Terry Baker, Angie Vermillion, Karen Shrader, Krista Peterson, Scott Clauson, Jillian Shainholtz, and Larry Dickson

STAFF PRESENT: Eric Swanson, City Manager
Joe Slaughter, Deputy City Manager
Doug McGeary, City Attorney
Bonnie Pickett, City Recorder
Derek Bowker, Chief of Police
Chris Stephenson, PW Superintendent
Zac Moody, Community Development Manager

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

3. PRESENTATION:

a. Earth Day, Sandy Wine spoke about the Earth Day Event at Blue Heron Park on Saturday, April 20. She invited the Council to attend the event with the Mayor to introduce the Council present. Ms. Wine spoke about the Alameda fire damage at Blue Heron Park and the Community Garden. She thanked the City for the publicity for the Earth Day Event and the Bear Creek Steward project. Ms. Wine spoke about the donations she received for event giveaways.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

a. Reports for Information & Possible Action:

1. None

b. Minutes to Approve and File:

1. Minutes from Joint City Council/Planning Commission Study/Work Session Meeting March 04, 2024.
2. Minutes from City Council Meeting March 04, 2024

Motion: I Move to Approve the Consent Agenda. **MOVED BY VERMILLION, SECONDED BY SHAINHOLTZ.** No further discussion.

ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

Ayes: Vermillion, Shainholtz, Shrader, Clauson Dickson, Peterson

MOTION APPROVED WITH SIX AYES

6. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION:

7. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Discussion of Streets and Parks Utility Billing Fees.

Mr. Swanson introduced the topic to the Council and how we arrived at the options presented.

Zac Moody, Community Development Manager presented his staff report to the Council regarding the Streets and Parks Utility Billing Fees. He spoke about the study that was completed and the conclusions that came from the study. Mr. Moody answered questions from the Council. He presented the increase in the gap between operations costs and revenue over the next three years. Mr. Moody spoke about how the three options would affect the fees on the water bills. He answered questions regarding the different scenarios presented.

Mr. Slaughter answered questions, noting the water fund is a separate fund from the funds for the utility fees for Parks and Streets.

Mr. Moody noted that his recommendation would be option three and asked the Council for direction.

Mr. Swanson answered questions about funds that the City receives yearly in the general fund.

The Council deliberated the information presented regarding the proposed utility fees.

Motion: I Move to Make a Motion that we Table the Parks and Transportation Fee Increase Until After We See and Approve the 2024/2025 Budget in May and Make Sure We Find Out if There is Going to be an Increase in the Police Fee. **MOVED BY PETERSON, SECONDED BY SHAINHOLTZ.** No further discussion.

ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

Ayes: Peterson, Shainholtz, Vermillion, Dickson, Clauson, Shrader

MOTION APPROVED WITH SIX AYES

8. PUBLIC HEARING:

a. Ordinance No. 1038 – Parks Utility Billing Fees

Mr. Moody advised that the ordinances do not change the fees but clarify how the fees are adopted. Mr. Moody answered questions from the Council.

Open Public Hearing at 8:26 p.m.

Public Comment – None

Close Public Hearing at 8:26 p.m.

Motion: I Move to Adopt Ordinance No. 1038, An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance 1003 and Establishing a Park Utility Fee to Fund Park Maintenance. **MOVED BY VERMILLION, SECONDED BY CLAUSON.** No further discussion.

ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

Ayes:

Nays: Vermillion, Clauson, Shrader, Dickson, Peterson, Shainholtz

MOTION FAILED WITH SIX AYES

Motion: I Move to Bring this Back at the Next Meeting for Better Understanding. **MOVED BY VERMILLION, SECONDED BY CLAUSON.** No further discussion.

ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

Ayes: Vermillion, Clauson, Shrader, Dickson, Peterson, Shainholtz

MOTION APPROVED WITH SIX AYES

b. Ordinance No. 1039 – Transportation Utility Billing Fees

Mr. Moody noted that he should have brought the Ordinance forward with the tract changes to the Ordinance. The Council requested that the Ordinances be brought back with the tract changes at the next meeting.

9. STAFF REPORTS:

City Attorney Doug McGeary, no comments.

City Manager Eric Swanson spoke about Jackson County's request to present to the Council a proposal for the Animal Shelter Special District.

Deputy City Manager Joe Slaughter has no comments.

10. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENT / REPORTS:

Councilor Shainholtz had no comments.

Councilor Clauson had no comments.

Councilor Peterson spoke about the Easter Egg Event. She thanked the City for their help at the event.

Councilor Vermillion spoke about how fun the Easter Egg Event was to see and participate in. She advised of a conversation with a salesman who said things were going well in Phoenix.

Councilor Shrader spoke about the terrific Easter Egg Event.

Councilor Dickson had no comments.

Mayor Baker had no comments.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Bonnie Pickett
City Recorder