



Minutes of the Molalla City Council Meeting

Molalla Civic Center
315 Kennel Ave., Molalla, OR 97038
April 27, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

The Molalla City Council Meeting of April 27, 2022 was called to order by Mayor Scott Keyser at 7:00pm.

COUNCIL ATTENDANCE

Present: Mayor Scott Keyser, Council President Jody Newland, Councilor Elizabeth Klein, Councilor Leota Childress, Councilor Terry Shankle, Councilor Crystal Robles, and Councilor Eric Vermillion.

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Dan Huff, City Manager; Christie Teets, City Recorder, Mac Corthell, Community Development Director; Andy Peters, Public Works Division Manager; Chris Long, Police Chief.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Council Meeting Minutes – April 13, 2022
- B. City Work Session Meeting Minutes – April 13, 2022

At the beginning of the meeting Mayor Keyser announced that General Discussion Item C would become Item B under Presentations.

A motion was made by Councilor Robles to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilor Vermillion. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CEREMONIES

- A. Parks CPC Applicants

The Parks CPC has two open seats available. The City received two applications for the Parks CPC, from Ms. Betty White and Ms. Rebecca Hendrickson. Councilors interviewed each applicant, inquiring about their interest.

A motion was made by Councilor Robles to appoint both Ms. White and Ms. Hendrickson to the Parks CPC, seconded by Council President Newland. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

- B. Body Cam Presentation – Molalla Police Department

Chief Long introduced Council members to the new body cams that police officers are wearing. Body tasers have also been updated to the newest version. Along with the body cam and taser updates came an evidence data base, that replaced the old antiquated system. A minimum of eight hours of training per employee was necessary. Although it is not currently mandated, Chief Long feels that they will eventually become a requirement and is pleased that Molalla is ahead of this.

Chief Long agrees that officers should be held accountable. He has noticed that it is also holding citizens accountable for their interactions with officers. Chief Long shared that they have had one capture already, after reviewing body cam footage, where multiple arrests were made.

Sergeant Watkins gave the Council a presentation on how each item works. Councilors were able to ask questions, and thanked Sgt. Watkins for coming to the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None present or submitted.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution No. 2022-03: Adopting a 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan

Community Development Director Corthell explained the need to update the Capital Improvement Plan every year, as it becomes obsolete and revisions are made. Staff and Council have discussed the document at length during Work Sessions, and staff is prepared for its approval.

Councilor Klein thanked staff for all of the hard work that has been put into this presentation and document.

Council President Newland made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2022-03, Adopting a 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan, seconded by Councilor Shankle. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

B. Resolution No. 2022-04: Adopting Updated System Development Charge Rates

Community Development Director Corthell presented the current SDC module to Council. He stated that if Council were to make any adjustments to this document, that staff request they be made in the Transportation portion. This is due to the upgrade of the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

A motion was made by Council President Newland to approve Resolution No. 2022-04, Adopting Updated System Development Charge Rates, seconded by Councilor Childress.

There was discussion between Council and Staff regarding Mobile Food Units (MFU's) being charged a separate SDC from others.

[For the complete video account of the SDC Discussion, please go to YouTube](#)
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After much discussion, roll was called. Vote failed 3-4. Councilors voting Aye were Councilor Shankle, Council President Newland, and Councilor Robles. Voting Nay were Councilor Vermillion, Councilor Childress, Councilor Klein, and Mayor Keyser.

Mayor Keyser made a motion for Resolution No. 2022-04 to be amended to reflect Mobile Food Units being charged One Trip on SDC fees, seconded by Councilor Vermillion. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

GENERAL BUSINESS

A. Molalla HOPE, LLC. – Lease Proposal

Councilor Childress announced at the beginning of the presentation that she was going to remove herself from the Council dais, as she was closely affiliated with the organization and part of the presentation. Councilor Childress also stated to Council that they could be the deciding body in regard to her vote, although she had nothing financially to gain from the lease agreement.

City Manager Huff explained to Council that the property at 209 Kennel Avenue had been used for many things in recent years, including the Molalla HOPE, Inc. Warming and Cooling Shelter. He explained that it is common for agencies to have a Lease Agreement for nonprofit businesses, similar to the City's agreement with the Adult Center and the Molalla Public Library.

Councilor Childress introduced Ali Garren-Miller, Operations Director of the Warming Center. Ms. Garren-Miller gave a brief presentation to Council, requesting a 10-year lease on the property at 209 Kennel Avenue. She explained in detail the upgrades that can be made through funding from the County. (Documentation is included in the Meeting Minutes.)

Councilor Klein felt from an optic standpoint, Councilor Childress should abstain from voting on this item. All remaining Councilors agreed, with Councilor Childress agreeing to abstain.

Council President Newland made a motion to approve the Molalla HOPE, LLC. lease agreement, seconded by Councilor Shankle. Discussion followed.

Council President Newland felt that this could be a win-win situation for the City and Molalla HOPE, as it fell in line with the cities Visioning Goals. Councilors Vermillion and Shankle also indicated that their questions were answered and they felt this was a good decision for the City.

Roll was called. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

B. ARPA Funding Request – Molalla Buckeroo Association

City Manager Huff gave a brief statement introducing Molalla Buckeroo Association President, Tim Anderson, reminding Council that the Association has requested funding assistance through the America Rescue Plan Act.

Mr. Anderson spoke to Council regarding the financial loss endured after two years without the Rodeo, due to the pandemic. When questioned by Council about why the Association hadn't applied for funding earlier, he stated that the Association felt that other businesses were in more need than them. After a second year without a Rodeo, their financial situation changed. The Association is committed to holding the Rodeo this year, with or without the extra funding. Mr. Anderson thanked Council for their time and consideration to the request.

Councilor Klein made a motion to award the Molalla Buckeroo Association ARPA Funding, seconded by Councilors Vermillion and Shankle. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

STAFF COMMUNICATION

- City Manager Huff informed Council that playground equipment for Fox and Strawberry Park may be in sooner than expected.
- Community Development Director Corthell referred Council to the departments monthly report. The Housing Needs Analysis will be coming soon.
- Public Works Division Manager Peters had nothing to report.
- City Recorder Teets announced that there are three Council members terms expiring December 31, 2022. Interested candidates may apply June 1st through August 25th. The November General Election is November 8, 2022. Interest parties can pick up packets from City Hall, or print them online at www.cityofmolalla.com.

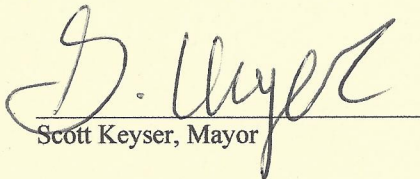
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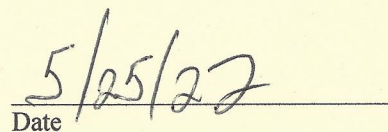
- Councilor Vermillion announced the MRSD Board meeting date and time. He attended the LOC Spring Conference last week; and was introduced to other cities and their functions. He stated that he appreciates how closely the city staff and council work together.
- Councilor Robles stated that the City is blessed to work so well together. She shared at the LOC Conference that is what clear how much our City has achieved and accomplished during the pandemic. She also mentioned the Molalla Shop Hop, Clean-Up Day, and events happening at the Library.
- Councilor Childress announced the City Wide Clean-Up Day taking place on Friday and Saturday, April 29th-30th.
- Councilor Shankle had nothing to report.
- Councilor Klein announced the Art Contest for kiosks. She also shared that wayfinding and monument identification will be coming soon.
- Council President Newland thanked Ms. White and Ms. Hendrickson for volunteering to join the Parks CPC. She also asked the public to share any fundraising ideas, as the Parks CPC would be beginning that soon. Council President Newland was proud to share all of the great things that are going on in Molalla at the LOC Spring Conference.
- Mayor Keyser shared that on Friday, May 6th, Stan Pulliam will be in town to conduct a tour of Interfor. Mr. Pulliam would like to reinstate logging in our State. He also shared his positive experience at the LOC Conference. The Molalla Summer Jam is taking place on June 6, 2022. Tickets are sold out, however 100 will be given away on May 13th.

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ADJOURN

Mayor Keyser adjourned the meeting at 8:56pm.


Scott Keyser, Mayor


Date

ATTEST:


Christie Teets, City Recorder