

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2020
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Regular meeting 7:00 p.m.
Scappoose Council Chambers
33568 East Columbia Avenue

Call to Order

Mayor Burge called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Scott Burge	Mayor	Alexandra Rains	Interim City Manager
Megan Greisen	Council President	Norm Miller	Police Chief
Joel Haugen	Councilor	Susan M. Reeves	City Recorder
Josh Poling	Councilor	Dave Sukau	Public Works Director
Brandon Lesowske	Councilor	Huell White	Program Analyst
Pete McHugh	Councilor		

Legal Counsel Peter Watts

Press: none

Also present: Fire Chief Jeff Pricher

Remote: Marisa Jacobs and Councilor candidate Tyler Miller

Approval of the Agenda

Councilor Poling moved, and Councilor Haugen seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion passed (6-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Council President Greisen, aye; Councilor Haugen, aye; Councilor Poling, aye; Councilor Lesowske, aye; and Councilor McHugh, aye.

Public Comments

There were no comments received.

Consent Agenda ~ November 2, 2020 Council work session minutes and November 2, 2020 Council meeting minutes

Councilor Poling moved, and Councilor Haugen seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda ~ November 2, 2020 Council work session minutes and November 2, 2020 Council meeting minutes. Motion passed (6-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Council President Greisen, aye; Councilor Haugen, aye; Councilor Poling, aye; Councilor Lesowske, aye; and Councilor McHugh, aye.

Old Business

Select Location for Public Art

Interim City Manager Alexandra Rains explained included in the packets this evening is an exhibit that was requested at the last meeting but staff wasn't able to photoshop the piece into the images but there is an exhibit to show the actual size of the sculpture. She explained the piece is approximately 250 pounds and it is not meant to be interacted with, just simply observed.

Councilor Haugen stated he likes the entrance to City Hall the best. He stated it has the greatest visibility, it is a secure location, that would be his preference.

Mayor Burge replied he agrees with the City Hall location.

Council President Greisen agrees with the City Hall location. She explained Council previously discussed an up-light/spotlight on the sculpture, to not only see the sculpture, but to see people near it.

Councilor Poling definitely likes the front as well, he feels that is a good spot and he thinks it has the best visibility as people are driving or walking by. He definitely agrees with the lighting.

Councilor Lesowske replied he concurs and thinks it is a great step in trying to launch more of a place making asset for our community. He stated as we look to include more of a town center atmosphere in this area, he thinks having public art is a great way to kind of make that next step.

Councilor McHugh replied he agrees 100%. He thinks it is the right place for it and it will look good there. He stated we need a little something in front of City Hall to dress it up a little bit and we have a commitment to public art, doing one piece a year, and this would be a good place to start right here.

Councilor McHugh moved, and Councilor Poling seconded the motion directing City Manager Alexandra Rains to place the piece of art in front of City Hall. Motion passed (6-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Council President Greisen, aye; Councilor Haugen, aye; Councilor Poling, aye; Councilor Lesowske, aye; and Councilor McHugh, aye.

New Business

Grabhorn Conceptual Park Plan Survey Results

Interim City Manager Alexandra Rains explained as you can see in your packets this evening, this is a pretty lengthy staff report, with a lot of information, but we felt it was really important that we shared everything with you that we received. She went over the staff report. On September 10, 2020 City Staff released a survey to gather input from the residents of Scappoose on the proposed park located on a 9.5-acre property commonly referred to as the Grabhorn Property. The proposal calls for the phased creation of a new park, including amenities such as soccer and softball fields, an outdoor pool, a walking trail along South Scappoose Creek, and the relocation of the dog park. Staff shared information about the proposal on September 9, 2020

with City Council and were directed to conduct a survey asking for public comment. The survey closed on November 9, 2020. She explained staff received 274 individual survey responses, along with other written feedback, during the two-month survey. The survey asked residents about amenities they would like to see at the park, which part of the proposal they support, and whether they support new funding mechanisms for the construction and operation of the proposed pool. Additionally, the survey asked for general feedback and suggestions about the proposal.

Interim City Manager Alexandra Rains explained given that staff saw a lot of issues coming up around two of the same things; the road and the dog park, staff did look at those more closely. She explained Public Works Director Dave Sukau took a lot of time and met with the Dog Park group and it seemed like that really addressed their concerns and they now seem fine with the concept plan in general. She explained staff did add a line item to the budget to reflect money that would be dedicated to making sure that the facility gets replaced, as it should. She explained staff also looked at the merits of the road and at the end of the day from a staff perspective, particularly given the fact that it is in the Master Plan, that there are first responder concerns and they see a benefit of having that road put in, and just the functionality of how the actual amenities would work without it, which wouldn't work very well at all, we thought it was a good idea for it to go it. She explained Fire Chief Jeff Pricher is here this evening in addition to Public Works Director Dave Sukau, if you do have any questions regarding their thoughts on the road. She explained she does want to stress that this is a lot of information and it is obviously most important that you feel comfortable with the decision that you make, that you are happy with it, so if this isn't something that you are wanting to move forward with at this juncture, she just really wants to stress that we would rather get it right and come back to Council with more information or more alternatives, if that would make Council more comfortable. She explained in terms of timing, the only thing she would point out, just to keep in mind, is the grant cycle. She explained we do have a Local Government Grant program that will open up in January, that is due in April, which does take quite a bit of time to prepare, and having a conceptual engineering plan to go with it makes the application much stronger. She stated it would really be good to have a good idea in place so we can show the concept. She explained the other thing to keep in mind is we are wanting to use the purchase price of the property as our grant match, and you can only do that within the first couple of years of having purchased the property. She explained again, those are not reasons to rush this process in any way shape or form, it is just information for you to consider as you move forward, that there is that window we are working within currently.

From the staff report ~ A summary of the survey results is included below. Additionally, Staff gathered information on pool costs to follow up on the request made by Council to provide context or a pool's financial feasibility. The exhibits attached to the staff report are as follows:

Exhibit A – Copy of the survey (pp. 5 – 6)

Exhibit B – Full text of the feedback and comments received (pp. 8 – 25)

Exhibit C.1 to C.11 – All comments received via email or post (pp. 26 – 44)

Exhibit D – Graph of responses to the “Additional Amenities” multiple choice question, and full list of all suggested amenities (pp. 45 – 46)

Exhibit E – List of all park name suggestions (pp. 47 – 49)

Exhibit F – List of all field name suggestions (pp. 50 – 51)
Exhibit G – Feedback and comment analysis (p. 52)
Exhibit H – Comparison of pool costs (pp. 53 – 54)
Exhibit I – Updated preliminary site plan (pp. 56 – 57)
Exhibit J – Updated preliminary phasing plan (p. 58)
Exhibit K – Updated cost estimate (pp. 59 – 63)

Summary of Results

Amenities

- 31% of respondents would like picnic tables and benches
- 9% of respondents would like tennis courts
- 8% of respondents would like disc golf
- 2% of respondents would like pickleball
- 4% of respondents would like none of the suggested amenities
- 73 other amenities were suggested

Sports and walking facilities

- 62% of respondents support development of a softball field
- 70% of respondents support development of a soccer field
- 93% of respondents support development of a creek side trail

Pool

- 62% of respondents support an outdoor seasonal pool
- 62% of respondents support new funding mechanisms for the pool

Naming

- Park Names, 106 responses
 - 18% of suggestions were Grabhorn Park
 - 12% of suggestions were Veterans Park or Veterans Extension
 - There were 68 other name suggestions (Exhibit E)
- Field Names, 58 responses
 - 20% of suggestions were Grabhorn Fields
 - There were 45 other name suggestions (Exhibit F)

Feedback and Suggestions

- 173 respondents gave suggestions (63% of respondents)
- Commonly suggested amenities include basketball courts, a larger/ADA playground, and a splash pad.

- Other notable suggestions include multi-purpose fields/sports courts, an amphitheater/covered gathering area; a bridge to Chief Concomly Park; horseshoe pits; and shade trees.

- 164 respondents gave feedback (60% of respondents)
- 24% were concerned about traffic safety/speed along the new road, or had negative feelings about the road
- 14% were concerned about the continuance of the dog park

15% were concerned about how expensive pools are
10% wondered what happened to the pool fund
13% had positive feelings about an indoor pool only
8% had positive feelings about the pool

Staff noticed there were certain reoccurring concerns in the feedback received pertaining to the dog park relocation, extension of Captain Roger Kucera Way, the functionality of the existing portion of Captain Roger Kucera Way and traffic in the neighborhood located west of Veteran's Park. With that in mind and in an attempt to be proactive, the Public Works Director, Dave Sukau, met with the representatives of the dog park to reassure them that the dog park would remain a part of the park, and, additionally, Staff amended the conceptual plan to include the following changes:

- Removal of parallel parking along the existing portion of Captain Roger Kucera Way and paving of a parking lot in the unofficial "overflow" parking area. This addresses the issues of functionality caused by vehicles parallel parked along the road, without the loss of parking spaces. Removal of on-street parallel parking along Captain Roger Kucera Way would remove 33 parking stalls. The paving of the overflow lot would add 99 parking stalls. Net gain in parking would be 66 parking stalls.
- The budget now includes a line item for the dog park relocation and the concept officially reflects the area intended for said relocation.

In addition to the changes reflected in the conceptual plan, the Traffic Safety Committee discussed the addition of "Local Access Only" signage to mitigate for traffic into the nearby neighborhood and traffic calming devices on the proposed road extension.

At this time, Staff is recommending the proposed road extension remain part of the park plan for the following reasons:

The extension of Captain Roger Kucera Way is included in the City's 2016 Transportation System Plan (TSP). The TSP process took four years to complete and had a Technical Advisory Committee that included members of the community.

- There is general support for extending the road from the Traffic Safety Committee, Public Works Department, Police Department and Fire Department. For first responders, it creates an important north/south connection that, for example, would have been very useful during our last flooding event and, or, in the event that a bridge happens to fail. Additionally, it's their opinion that the connection to EJ Smith would actually reduce traffic in and out of the nearby neighborhoods. As noted above, we could add signage that reads "Local Access Only" and consider traffic calming devices like speed bumps.
- The amenities included in the conceptual plan wouldn't function nearly as well without the road. The road creates direct access (including ADA access) to the sports fields, pool and one of the two proposed parking lots and includes many parallel parking spaces.

****end of survey results****

Council President Greisen asked if Chief Pricher could give his thoughts on the extension of Captain Roger Kucera Way.

Fire Chief Pricher explained this project from the Fire District perspective will open up new opportunities for us with respect to access. He stated as you know access is very challenging to certain areas in our community and a lot of that is dictated by bridges. He explained so opening up a pathway for them to be able to travel from basically JP West over to EJ Smith is something that will benefit everybody, from evacuations, to when roads close. He explained there has been situations in the past with the flooding where on EJ Smith Road the only way out is through Apple Valley, which isn't necessarily a good road. He stated to be able to get people from one side of the community to the other has some significant benefits. He stated from the fire suppression side of things, he is not entirely sure if the City Engineer has looked at looping some of the water system down that road, but generally when we carry the infrastructure in roads it makes it a lot better for them when it comes to water supply, drainage and things like that. He stated the Fire District definitely supports connectivity in addition to access.

Councilor McHugh stated if the road runs through as proposed there is a concern about speed and safety. He stated he doesn't see any real good way to mitigate that without putting some speed bumps in there.

Fire Chief Pricher replied he thinks the technical term that he is referring to is a traffic calming device. He stated there are ways to add those features that will not impact public safety.

Mayor Burge stated they do work, and he thinks that would make the neighbors feel better about that connection.

Councilor Haugen stated there is a valid argument about emergency access there. He stated from his perspective he is really opposed to running streets through a park, but maybe there is a middle ground here. He asked if there was a road with bollards would that resolve that conflict?

Fire Chief Pricher replied to answer your question about bollards, the Fire District does not like bollards, we like gates, which are a lot more effective and quick when it comes to gaining access.

Police Chief Miller replied he totally agrees with that and emergency service response time is everything.

Fire Chief Pricher replied the Fire District doesn't want to comment on the design. He stated with respect to connectivity, they support that 100%.

Councilor Lesowske asked if there was a gate that was provided in this development would the Fire District utilize that access point if it were available to them?

Fire Chief Pricher replied in an emergency situation they would use whatever means necessary to affect the safety and good outcome of the public in the community.

Mayor Burge explained the proposed road with speedhumps is really only going through the westside, it's not intersecting the park as a whole. He explained we can set the speed limit to whatever we want, he assumes. He stated he thinks we have enough tools.

Councilor Poling stated he definitely feels the concerns of the community regarding safety, but he also is strong supporter of having access to our parks and he thinks having a road put in to allow access for the Fire District and the Police Department actually will increase safety in the long term. He stated if we can find ways to mitigate the speeds, he thinks that really is the best way to look at it.

Council President Greisen asked Police Chief Miller his opinion on if this was a complete road and the positive or negative, and the alternative of a gate.

Police Chief Miller replied having the road go through it does help the Police Department. He stated if there is a gate there, they would use it, just like the Fire District would. He stated if there is going to be a road that goes all the way through, we do need to have some type of traffic calming device installed and built into it from the beginning and not later. He explained he has been through many floods here in his career with the Scappoose Police Department, and the first road that usually goes is EJ Smith Road. He explained slides occur on Apple Valley and having a road through the park would benefit them as a Police Department. He highly stresses that we look at the concept of safety.

Council President Greisen stated what she is hearing from Police Chief Miller is that people that are recreating in the parks, it would be safest for the community if you were able to move freely back and forth on a road that connects.

Police Chief Miller replied yes.

Councilor McHugh asked if we have done our due diligence with trying to communicate with the people in that neighborhood as far as why we want to run the road through? He stated they did have a chance to respond to the survey, which he thought was really good. He just wants to make sure we look at the whole picture before we make a decision.

Council President Greisen replied to speak on Councilor McHugh's comments, she lives in that neighborhood. She explained talking to them face to face, via emails, phones calls have been pretty constant during this whole time and she knows that they have been in touch with City staff. She explained one thing that she told one of the neighbors was do you feel like you are being heard, because you might not be receiving the answer you want, but in the end she wanted to make sure that whomever they are talking to, who is representing the City, they feel like they are being heard and their opinion is validated, and she said, undoubtedly yes, and she feels the whole neighborhood is being heard, but they are obviously not receiving the answer that they want.

Council President Greisen stated one thing that is important to her, not only being a resident in that neighborhood, but also City Council, is making sure that if our citizens have concerns that we are acknowledging them and addressing them. She stated one thing in the Traffic Safety Committee that they spoke about it, there are already concerns, with or without the extension of this road. She thinks in the interest of the citizens that are concerned, that they have looked at

alternatives. She thinks one thing that is important for people to remember is that she is not going to get all the things that she asked for. She stated so what can we do to find a middle ground, a balance, and she thinks it is important that whatever decision they make we think about everyone and it is not the whole answer that everybody wants, but then also how are we taking into consideration the others who answer wasn't received. She stated she appreciates Councilor McHugh acknowledging that the people in her neighborhood are concerned, she is concerned as well. She asked how do we go from here; with whatever options we choose to make sure all the voices are acknowledged?

Public Works Director Dave Sukau explained this road does not create a shortcut by any means that he can think of so he finds it hard to believe that anyone would use this as a regular route for any reason. He explained as someone who has coached baseball on these fields if they Google the address they will be sent to South Veterans Park and if there is no connectivity they are going to realize their game was on the Grabhorn side, then without this road they will probably try and go up around Maria to get to the other field. He thinks the neighborhood would see more traffic by no connectivity, then by having the connectivity. He stated there are a lot of different dynamics here to think about when making this decision. He explained for infrastructure they do need to put a water and sewer main through that park and for connectivity of our system, we do need to loop that water main through there.

Councilor Haugen thinks a number of folks would use that road during peak traffic times. He feels we need to hear the voices of the community and one of the voices that needs to be heard is the voices of the Parks and Recreation Committee. He thinks before we move forward with any kind of action tonight, he would encourage the input from the Parks & Rec Committee, because they will feel very left out if they don't have a say in this.

Councilor McHugh stated he had mentioned that earlier and his understanding was that it had already gone to the Parks and Rec Committee.

Councilor Haugen replied the Parks and Rec Committee never had the opportunity to look at the design with the road issue.

Program Analyst Huell White explained the Parks and Rec Committee did review the conceptual plan back in July or August.

Councilor Haugen replied he was there for that meeting but there was no opportunity for real input and there was a lot of concern.

Program Analyst Huell White explained the two issues the Parks & Rec Committee did raise was the dog Park location on the very preliminary plan, in addition to a proposed road on the west side of the property.

Councilor Lesowske asked if the Parks and Rec Committee were provided this conceptual plan to provide Council with feedback, is that just for insights from those that we lean on to help in guiding our park systems within the City, you find to be a value? He would agree with

Councilor Haugen, that having the Parks and Rec Committee's feedback would be of value to Council in their decision moving forward.

Mayor Burge feels having this presentation to the Parks & Rec Committee with some feedback would be nice. He stated when it comes to the road he feels if we had a lower speed with speed bumps, we could mitigate issues. He stated he can guarantee that people in the community are not going to want to go through the only road that has a bunch of speed bumps on it thinking they are going to save time.

Legal Counsel Peter Watts explained since this road is listed in the Transportation System Plan there is a road planned for this location. He explained if you decided that location is not the proper place for a through road, then you would need to identify an alternate location for the purpose of the Transportation System Plan in order to stay within that compliance and demonstrate how the City is going to continue to grow going forward.

Council President Greisen stated the Parks and Recreation Committee is an advisory committee and their opinion is highly valued in the City and she thinks that they have seen the preliminary plan, just as every other citizen in town did, correct, did they see anything more or anything less?

Program Analyst Huell White replied he does know that several members actually had taken the survey themselves, again he doesn't see the data of who said what on the survey, he just sees the responses, but several members had indicated that they had seen the survey, they were aware of it and that they had spoken with people in the community about the conceptual plan.

Council President Greisen asked if the Parks and Rec Committee had had the same opportunity to send an email either on behalf of the advisory committee or as an individual on their opinion, just as anybody else did?

Program Analyst Huell White replied, correct.

Councilor Haugen stated he suggests that this particular topic be included on the agenda for the Parks and Rec Committee this Thursday.

Councilor Lesowske stated he would just remind Council and Mayor that we are members at large for the entire community, not just for those that live in neighborhoods that will potentially be impacted by the development of this as it moves forward, so that we must be also thinking that yes, there will be a more immediate impact in that area, but it is a major asset for all of our community members, potentially. He wanted to keep that in mind as we move forward, that it takes a larger conversation and more voices at the table as we get more information on that decision making.

Councilor McHugh stated we need to get the word out about the pool fund. He would like to see an article in the newspaper and in the City's newsletter, with Council reviewing it before it goes out.

Mayor Burge stated there were two private non-profit groups that were raising funds and both of those groups are technically defunct and today the City is the care taker of those funds, but it is not millions of dollars that was raised.

Councilor Haugen talked about having the pool fund information on the utility bill.

Council President Greisen stated she is in complete favor of being transparent and making sure the correct information is out there. She feels what is also important to include is the average annual operating costs of a pool and make the public aware of how much money would need to come from them in order to operate the pool.

Mayor Burge talked about having a permanent page on the website with the pool funding information. He stated even with all the information you will still have people that won't believe it, so we just have to be as transparent as we can and that is the only thing we can do.

Interim City Manager Alexandra Rains explained there was a spreadsheet with the Grabhorn concept that provided information on comparison of other pools and it did show that every one of them was operating at a deficit.

Councilor Lesowske stated, in regard to the City potentially moving forward with the grant application for this property development, identify what type of aquatic feature would be installed, that has to be determined prior to application being provided, it can't just be a place holder.

Interim City Manager explained what she would recommend is that the grant application would only cover Phase I. She explained this would be the easiest piece to show that we had a fairly well flushed out concept that would really look good in the application and she thinks it would probably be the best shot, to be honest. She explained there is a funding limit cap of how much you can ask for which is around \$750,000, but the actual award is closer to \$500,000 so you have to take that into consideration. She explained the more developed your engineering is the more likely you are to get more money if you want to ask for the max amount. She explained there are a lot of different factors and things to think about. Her recommendation would be to not include Phases 2 and 3, just the first Phase.

Mayor Burge asked if it would be possible to put the road connection into Phase 2?

Interim City Manager Rains explained the big thing to keep in mind about the grant funding is that it cannot fund roads at all, that is completely separate.

Council President Greisen stated she wanted to show her appreciation to the staff and your openness to take in all of the feedback from the citizens, just the emails that were sent and the responses that you gave back are all printed here and she just feels like the way staff spoke and interacted with the public is something that should be commended. She stated we are trying to be very transparent in this process, it is so preliminary, yet it is somewhat final in the sense that once you start going down the planner road it starts evolving. She stated just the fact that we are

here and listening and meeting people to come up with solutions to the concerns, she thinks that really speaks a lot to how we are sort of running business, that we are in the business of serving the community. She just wanted to say thank you to all staff involved.

Mayor Burge thanked staff for all the work they have done.

Councilor McHugh stated he would like to second what Council President Greisen said.

Mayor Burge stated he likes this type of survey because it lets us know what amenities the community would like to see; it is a road map for the future as well.

Mayor Burge stated as a part of this we are looking at making a change to our Parks Master Plan as well. He would like to take a closer look at the southeast side of town. He stated because our park system started late, we are just trying to find spots.

Mayor Burge asked if we could look at putting speed bumps on Captain Roger Kucera Way since it is supposed to be 10 mph. He feels that would go a long way to say we are hearing the concerns about the traffic going through there already and we are trying to do something about it.

Council President Greisen explained the Traffic Safety Committee has discussed that there is already an issue regarding vehicles coming up through the neighborhood. She feels that the public nearby this area would have follow up questions, perhaps, to what Fire Chief Pricher said or what Police Chief Miller said and they are not able to give their feedback during the meeting such as this, they are just able to listen. She asked is there an opportunity that there would be more of an open forum?

Interim City Manager Rains explained she knows they have had people attend the Parks and Recreation Committee in the past and they were able to ask questions. She explained at the beginning of these meetings we can take public comments.

Mayor Burge explained if there was a work session, it would allow public comments.

Legal Counsel Peter Watts explained another option might be to put a fire gate at the entrance of the neighborhood.

Fire Chief Pricher replied the Fire District is willing to have any and all of those discussions with the City. He stated it would be important to involve the City Engineer with some of these questions, especially when it has to do with access and controlled access and some of the infrastructure. He stated we don't like limiting access. He stated when we have access, shutting that down is always a problem and if we need to shut it down there has to be a really good reason. He thinks the Fire District would be more open to a traffic calming device(s) compared to gates.

Ordinance No. 893: Amendments to Scappoose Municipal Code Chapters 8.20 and 12.12

Program Analyst Huell White went over the staff report. He explained over the summer, staff identified a number of issues where grass, vegetation, trees, boulders, or new fences had encroached into the public right-of-way in a number of locations around the city. These instances can create hazards to pedestrians and motorists. To address the issue of encroachment into the right-of-way, staff proposes amendments to "Chapter 8.20 - Nuisances" and "Chapter 12.12 - Public Rights-of-Way." "Chapter 8.20 - Nuisances" includes a variety of prohibited items on private property or in the right-of-way that are the responsibility of the adjacent property owner to control. Specifically, staff proposes clarifying the language in "Section 8.20.100 – Trees" by including language that authorizes the City to trim or remove any vegetation within the right-of-way that are in violation of Chapter 8.20. Additional amendments proposed for this chapter include updates or clarification for consistency purposes in Sections 8.20.160, 8.20.170, and 8.20.190. Lastly, staff proposes adding a definition for "right-of-way" to Section 8.20.010. "Chapter 12.12- Public Rights-of-Way" delineates the jurisdiction and scope of regulatory control that the City has over public rights-of-way. Staff is particularly concerned about instances where unkept vegetation can create visibility or physical impediments to sidewalks or streets that create pedestrian and traffic safety concerns. To address these concerns, staff proposes four new sections for this chapter, in addition to an updated definition for public rights-of-way. The first proposed section addresses grass, vegetation, and trees by clarifying the responsibility of the adjacent property owner to ensure that the right-of-way adjoining their property complies with restrictions on grass, vegetation, and trees to prevent visible or physical impediments to the right-of-way. The second proposed section states that fences are not allowed in the right-of-way, and, if applicable, must comply with "Chapter 12.10 - Visual Clearance Areas." The third proposed section authorizes the City to remove any unauthorized items from the right-of-way, such as boulders, landscaping, or fencing. Lastly, staff proposes adding a section declaring violations of Chapter 12.10 to be nuisances that are detrimental to public safety and therefore, subject to the abatement procedures of Chapter 8.20.

Public Works Director Dave Sukau explained there isn't really anything here that is a new policy, is it more just cleaning it up and streamlining the process.

Police Chief Miller explained Huell did a great job cleaning this up.

Legal Counsel Peter Watts agreed that Huell did a great job with this. He explained his standpoint on this is that we have clear and objective standards that are easy for people to understand.

Mayor Burge opened the public hearing at 8:14 p.m. and closed it due to no one wanting to speak on this matter.

Councilor McHugh moved, and Councilor Haugen seconded the motion that Council adopt Ordinance No. 893: An Ordinance Amending Scappoose Municipal Code Chapters 8.20 and 12.12.

Mayor Burge read the title for the first time: Ordinance No. 893: An Ordinance Amending Scappoose Municipal Code Chapters 8.20 and 12.12.

Announcements ~ information only

Calendar

Mayor Burge went over the calendar.

City Manager, Police Chief, Councilors, and Mayor

Interim City Manager Alexandra Rains thanked Isaac, Huell and Mayor Burge for all of their work on the virtual Annual Town Meeting this year. She explained Mayor Burge gave a nice address and Isaac has been spending a lot of time editing that and it is really nice, in addition to putting together the materials in the survey. She stated she appreciates Mayor Burge doing that as she knows he is really busy this time of year. She explained we are working hard here to make sure all the new OSHA rules are being implemented properly. She explained there are different deadlines for different things, so staff is making sure those get in place on the right timeline. She reminded Council about the Elected Essentials Workshop if any of them are interested in that. She stated, just as a reminder, the Council orientation is on January 14, 2021, from 3:00pm to 6:30pm.

Chief Miller explained he and Finance Administrator Herr met with Michael Sykes today in regard to the City Manager recruitment. He explained they will be coming to the executive session on December 7, with the outline of that to review with Council.

Councilor McHugh gave an update on the 100-year Celebration Ad Hoc Committee.

Councilor Lesowske extended a congratulations to those who were reelected for their Councilor positions. He is excited to work with a new Councilor moving forward. He explained as we move into this portion of the season remember to think about local nonprofits, foodbanks, to make sure they have enough donations for them to provide for those who are seeking their services in our community.

Council President Greisen thanked the public for their vote of confidence in the reelection for both herself and Councilor McHugh. She looks forward to working with Council and everyone in this room. She talked about a citizen who had approached the City regarding street name change code language. She explained since that time they have not revisited it as a Council since it hasn't really fit on the list anywhere. She explained the City has taken steps in order to revise that code language for renaming streets. She just urges the Council that they find, in the very near future, time to put it on an agenda and at some point, just look at the code language that has been written already by staff. She would like to get that sort of wrapped up.

Councilor Haugen stated it is a privilege and neat experience to be involved with such a great Council.

Councilor Poling stated he works with a really good group here and he is excited for the future. He stated he would urge everyone as we enter into a new phase of this pandemic, support your local businesses and restaurants in any way you possibly can right now.

Mayor Burge explained he is looking forward to seeing the Annual Town Meeting video. He stated it was fun making it. He stated help your local businesses as much as you can. He stated stay safe and stay healthy.

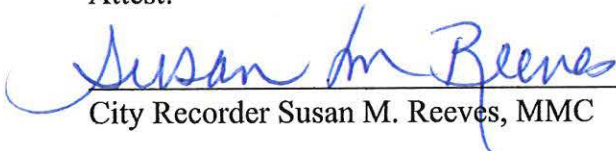
Adjournment

Mayor Burge adjourned the meeting at 8:29 p.m.



Mayor Scott Burge

Attest:



City Recorder Susan M. Reeves, MMC