

MONDAY, AUGUST 31, 2020
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
6:00 p.m.
Scappoose Council Chambers
33568 East Columbia Avenue

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Scott Burge	Mayor	Michael Sykes	City Manager
Patrick Kessi	Council President	Norm Miller	Police Chief
Megan Greisen	Councilor	Alexandra Rains	Assistant City Manager
Joel Haugen	Councilor	Susan M. Reeves	City Recorder
Josh Poling	Councilor		
Brandon Lesowske	Councilor (Remote)		
Pete McHugh	Councilor		

Peter Watts Legal Counsel Press: None

Approval of the Agenda

Councilor Poling moved, and Councilor Greisen approved the agenda. Motion passed (7-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Council President Kessi, aye; Councilor Greisen, aye; Councilor Haugen, aye; Councilor Poling, aye; Councilor Lesowske, aye and Councilor McHugh, aye.

Executive Session ORS 192.660(2)(a) Employment of Manager or Attorney

Mayor Burge read the Executive Session statement.

Mayor Burge came out Executive Session into open session at 6:23 p.m.

Contract for Interim City Manager

City Manager Sykes explained before Council is a contract for Interim City Manager with Alex Rains and staff recommends Council approving it.

Council President Kessi moved, and Councilor Haugen seconded the motion that Council approve the Interim City Manager contract with Alex Rains, with the update of the typo in Section 4A. Motion passed (7-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Council President Kessi, aye; Councilor Greisen, aye; Councilor Haugen, aye; Councilor Poling, aye; Councilor Lesowske, aye and Councilor McHugh, aye.

Form Ad-Hoc Committee to Review and Award Small Business Grant Applications

Councilor McHugh stated thanks Mike! He stated he has been to other agencies and sees how much other directors respect Mike and that has been good for Scappoose to have someone like him. He stated thank you Mike for doing a good job, we appreciate all that you have done.

Councilor Poling stated he wishes Mike the best of luck, he thinks he will do a phenomenal job at the PUD. He stated we will all be here thinking about you and hoping that you really enjoy your new job. He stated, thank you Mike!

Council President Kessi stated the School Board had their retreat and in February they are thinking about doing the long-range planning for the schools. He stated they want someone from the City to be in on that as well as they talk about the long-range planning. He stated with Michael leaving he thinks it is very important for the City to keep up the long-range planning here and the vision of the City and keep that as a goal.

Councilor Greisen talked about the COVID relief fund for the School District and the City was able to give them \$25,000 to purchase more laptops. She thanked Alex and Council President Kessi for working with the School District to make that happen. She stated to Michael, she thinks Pete really nailed it on the head, you've never been a manager to be the boss. She explained he is a silent leader, present, but not vociferous. She stated, like she said in the video, he has kind of been the coach and he set us up and we're ready to go. She stated Alex is going to take us to the next step. She thanked Michael for that and stated we do have someone who is very competent to continue because you weren't empowered or in charge. She stated Michael has been so good about including everyone in the room and she thinks that is why we are where we are today.

Councilor Haugen thanked Councilor Greisen for making the video. He stated thanks to Mike's leadership we have people like Alex. He has complete confidence in Alex as the interim.

Mayor Burge stated they always say great leaders mentor people to take their place and provide leadership training to their people because they are not afraid that they are going to replace them because they know someone someday is going to replace them and you exemplified that, whether it was with Alex or Huell or any of the other department heads. He stated you always worked on mentoring them and leading them to a better position and you can see that in the organization. He stated you can see the teamwork and how everyone works together. He stated it is sad to see you go, because you have done so much good work. He talked about Michael keeping the City focused. He stated we have done a lot in the past five and half years and he is excited about the future as well. He stated knowing that we are going to have a partner at Columbia River PUD that understands economic development better than anyone has ever understood it at the PUD and understands the importance of that not only in the communities that they represent, but that we represent and he thinks that is going to help us move forward even further. He said it is kind of like you are leaving, but it is almost as if you are going to help us in another area. He stated he is eternally grateful for what Mike has done and he is looking forward to what he is about to do. He stated to Michael, he wants to thank him very much!

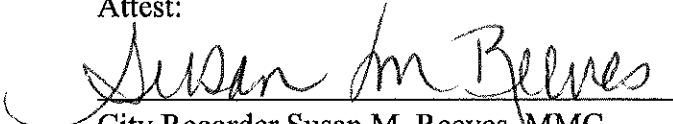
City Manager Sykes stated he would like to thank all of them again.

Adjournment

Mayor Burge adjourned the Council meeting at 6:54 p.m.


Mayor Scott Burge

Attest:


City Recorder Susan M. Reeves, MMC