



SCAPPOOSE *Oregon*

MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2023
URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY MEETING
6:30 PM COUNCIL CHAMBERS
33568 EAST COLUMBIA AVENUE
SCAPPOOSE, OREGON 97056

Call to Order

Chair Joseph Backus called the Urban Renewal Agency meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Roll Call

Chair Joseph Backus; Agency Member Pete McHugh; Agency Member Tyler Miller; Agency Member Andrew Lafrenz; City Manager Alexandra Rains; Legal Counsel Peter Watts; Finance Administrator Carol Almer; and Assistant to City Manager Isaac Butman.

Remote: Vice Chair Kim Holmes; and Community Development Director Laurie Oliver Joseph.

Excused: Agency Member Megan Greisen; Agency Member Jeannet Santiago; and City Recorder Susan Reeves.

Approval of the Agenda

Agency Member McHugh moved, and Agency Member Holmes seconded the motion to approve the agenda. (Motion passed 5-0).Chair Joseph Backus, aye; Agency Member Pete McHugh, aye; Agency Member Tyler Miller, aye; Vice Chair Kim Holmes, aye; and Agency Member Andrew Lafrenz, aye.

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

New Business

Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Chair Backus explained they just recently elected the chair and vice chair and he wanted to make sure everyone was okay to have them just continue as the chair and vice chair.

Vice Chair Holmes explained she is fine with continuing as vice chair.

Chair Backus explained he is chair, and he would be fine if the Agency wants to just keep him in that role.

Agency Member McHugh moved, and Agency Member Miller moved that Joseph Backus remains as Chair and that Kim Holmes remains as Vice Chair. (Motion passed 5-0). Chair Joseph Backus, aye; Agency Member Pete McHugh, aye; Agency Member Tyler Miller, aye; Agency Member Andrew Lafrenz, aye; and Vice Chair Kim Holmes, aye.

Consideration of the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget

Resolution No. URA 1-23: Hold a Public Hearing on the proposed Approval budget for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024, Making Appropriations, Imposing the Tax, and Categorizing the Tax.

Chair Backus opened the public hearing and closed it due to no one wanting to comment on this matter.

City Manager Alexandra Rains explained Resolution URA 1-23 is for adopting the City of Scappoose's Urban Renewal Agency budget, making appropriations, declaring the ad valorem tax levy, and classifying the levy as approved by ORS 310.0602, for fiscal year 2023/2024. She explained it is presented in the same matter that it was presented to the Budget Committee. There were no requested changes.

Agency Member McHugh talked about getting something going regarding the branding and to him it is kind of urgent.

City Manager Rains explained the money for the branding is actually in the regular budget, not the Urban Renewal budget. They have had a couple of meetings with the Economic Development Committee about the process and to talk about the scope of work they want to put together. She explained there is a work session planned with Council later in the summer to have that similar conversation and bring that feedback to the Urban Renewal Agency, from EDC, basically so we can kind of wrap up doing the scope of work, then put out the RFP to actually hire the consultant team to help with the branding. That is a Council goal for this year, and it is in process, it is moving along.

Agency Member McHugh explained he would like to see more involvement from the community in this process then maybe what we normally do. Sometimes surveys aren't quite enough.

City Manager Rains explained she doesn't see the branding happening by the first of the year if we want to do all that public input, but she thinks the public input makes the end product better.

Chair Backus stated he would like some guidance as well.

Agency Member Miller moved, and Agency Member Lafrenz seconded the motion that the Urban Renewal Agency adopt Resolution No. URA 1-23: Hold a Public Hearing on the proposed Approval budget for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024, Making Appropriations, Imposing the Tax, and Categorizing the Tax with the amendments that the Agency discussed. (Motion passed 5-0). Chair Joseph Backus, aye; Agency Member Pete McHugh, aye; Agency Member Tyler Miller, aye; Agency Member Andrew Lafrenz, aye; and Vice Chair Kim Holmes, aye.

Adjournment

Chair Backus adjourned the meeting at 6:20pm.



Chair Joseph A. Backus

Minutes typed by:



City Recorder Susan M. Reeves, MMC