# MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2017 CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA Regular meeting 7:00 p.m. Scappoose Council Chambers 33568 East Columbia Avenue

# **Call to Order**

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

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

## **Roll Call**

<b>City Council Members Present:</b>		Staff Present:	
Scott Burge	Mayor	Michael Sykes	City Manager
Rich Riffle	Councilor	Susan M. Reeves	City Recorder
Patrick Kessi	Councilor	Laurie Oliver	City Planner
Megan Greisen	Councilor	Alexandra Rains As	sistant to City Manager
Natalie Sanders	Councilor		

Legal Counsel Shelby Rihala

Press: none

Excused: Council President Mark Reed

# Approval of the Agenda

Councilor Riffle moved, and Councilor Sanders seconded the motion to approve the Agenda. Motion passed (6-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Councilor Riffle, aye; Councilor Kessi, aye; Councilor Greisen, aye, Councilor Sanders, aye and Councilor Haugen, aye.

#### **Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

# Consent Agenda ~ July 17, 2017 City Council Work Session minutes, July 17, 2017 City Council meeting minutes & July 31, 2017 Special City Council meeting minutes

Councilor Haugen moved, and Councilor Riffle seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda ~ July 17, 2017 City Council Work Session minutes, July 17, 2017 City Council meeting minutes & July 31, 2017 Special City Council meeting minutes. Motion passed (6-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Councilor Riffle, aye; Councilor Kessi, aye; Councilor Greisen, aye, Councilor Sanders, aye and Councilor Haugen, aye.

#### New Business

Presentation by Portland State University ~ Norm Eder and Renjeng Su

Assistant to City Manager Alexandra Rains introduced Norm Eder and Ren Su, who are with Portland State University. She gave an overview of the program they have recently put together and explained they refer to it as the Working Communities Network. She explained it is a program through the School of Engineering, composed of undergraduates, where you have a team of students that come together for a period of five to six months and for their senior capstone they work on a project that the City identifies. She explained she has been working with Public Works Director Dave Sukau to help identify potential projects. She explained Norm and Ren are here to present to Council before the City would sign a memorandum of understanding to become a full participant in the program.

Renjeng Su, Dean of College of Engineering and Computer Science at Portland State University, explained recently he has been involved with the OMIC project. He gave an overview of the Working Communities Network program. He explained roughly this program is two terms, which is twenty weeks. He explained there is no cost for a community to join as a member but on the other hand they do need information. He gave Council a handout with information about the program along with a list of member communities.

Norm Eder, representing PSU, and working with Ren on this project, wanted to thank Council and Alexandra, who has been terrific. He explained they began this effort last winter in looking for ways to better connect PSU and PSU students with the community around us and by better connection meaning connected to problems that other people own. He explained every City around the region has got a backlog of projects that they just don't get to. He explained we are very excited about this program. It is a great way for PSU to connect with communities particularly with smaller communities around the region that don't have the resources that many of the larger communities have.

Councilor Riffle asked what you need from the City is just an agreement?

Norm Eder replied yes, they would like to formalize this and they are moving forward with MOU's.

Mayor Burge asked for the MOU to be on the agenda for the next meeting.

City Manager Sykes said there are a lot of opportunities with this program.

Council thanked Ren and Norm.

# Old Business

# Ord No. 863 Sign Code updates to Municipal Code

Mayor Burge read the title for the second time. He asked if this is the amended version, with the update?

City Planner Laurie Oliver replied on page 18 of the packet B 2 towards the middle, is updated to read 60 days, instead of 45, so it has been amended.

Mayor Burge replied excellent. He asked if there was any other discussion, seeing none he asked for a vote.

Motion passed (6-0). Mayor Burge, aye; Councilor Riffle, aye; Councilor Kessi, aye; Councilor Greisen, aye, Councilor Sanders, aye and Councilor Haugen, aye.

## Announcements ~ information only

## Calendar

Mayor Burge went over the calendar.

## City Manager, Councilors, and Mayor

City Manager Sykes explained Council has a copy of his department report. He wanted to point out the back page, which is something staff received from Representative Witt's Office. He explained it basically outlines the benefits of the new transportation package that was passed by the Legislature. He explained he needs an official person for the Transportation Committee.

Councilor Riffle explained he requested it, and was waiting to hear back.

Mayor Burge replied okay, we will put Councilor Riffle on the Transportation Committee.

Mayor Burge asked in regards to the gas tax money the City received, is that equal to or more than what we would have hoped to receive if we did a local gas tax?

Councilor Riffle stated the State is already going to hit us with a gas tax, so he thinks it would be prudent to stay away from a local gas tax, at least for a couple of years.

Councilor Sanders and Mayor Burge replied they agree.

City Manager Sykes congratulated the Scappoose Police Department for their National Night Out, which was very successful.

City Manager Sykes explained the City will have a new RARE Participant, Garett, who will start in September.

City Planner Laurie Oliver explained Garett interviewed very well.

City Manager Sykes explained there were several from the City who attended Columbia County's meeting regarding Chapman Landing.

Councilor Riffle asked if on Chief Miller's reports where he gives the stats, could he explain the case numbers to date - is that for the total year? He explained he felt attending the Chapman

Landing with Columbia County was good. He explained the County would like more information from the City, which he thinks we can get to them pretty quickly.

Councilor Greisen asked about the status of the fountain at Heritage Park.

City Manager Sykes replied everything that is the responsibility of the City is pretty much done. He explained we are hoping it will be completed within the next few months.

Councilor Sanders thanked the other Council members who were able to attend the meeting regarding Chapman Landing, she appreciated that.

Councilor Haugen explained it was heartening to see the support the City got from the advocates for Chapman Landing at the County meeting.

Mayor Burge stated he thinks what came out of the County meeting was what the City needed to do, the next steps, which was have another Chapman Landing Committee meeting so they could give us a report. He explained it is basically the information already discussed but put in a formalized manner, which includes timelines. He explained we have all the information, it just needs to be put all together and given to Columbia County. He explained Wings and Wheels was this past weekend, and it was a good event. He thanked City Staff for the equipment they were able to use during the event.

# Adjournment

Mayor Burge adjourned the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

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Attest:

City Recorder Susan M. Reeves, MMC