CITY COUNCIL MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2017 WORK SESSION

CIS WEBINAR: GOVERNING 101

Mayor Burge called the work session to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Scott Burge, Council President Mark Reed, Councilor Barb Hayden, Councilor Rich Riffle, Councilor Patrick Kessi, Councilor Megan Greisen, City Manager Michael Sykes, Legal Counsel Shelby Rihala, City Recorder Susan Reeves, City Planner Laurie Oliver, Program Analyst Alexandra Rains, and Ben Tolles AmeriCorps RARE Member.

City Recorder Susan Reeves explained this is a requirement of our insurance company, CIS, for Elected Officials.

OVERVIEW OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

City Manager Sykes explained this is to give an overview of the Annual Town Meeting. Staff has put a lot of time into preparing for this.

AmeriCorps RARE Member Ben Tolles explained this year's Annual Town Meeting attendees will be handed a clicker so they can vote on items immediately. The City was able to purchase the clickers by receiving a donation from Comcast.

Ben Tolles went over the agenda ~ 2017 Annual Town Meeting Agenda

Time Presenter Topic

8:30-9:00 N/A Eat food and drink coffee

9:00-9:10 Mayor- Mayor Burge and Andrea from Comcast welcome everyone

9:10-9:20 Laurie- Gives background on BLI and HNA, introduces Beth

9:20-9:50 Beth- Talks about preliminary findings and asks questions about policy changes

9:50-10:00 Break- Coffee and Snacks

10:00 - 10:15 Dave Powers- Progress the Parks and Recreation Committee has made

10:15 -10:25 Ben Tolles- Discussion about the 7 Parks we are presenting

10:25 - 10:30- Community Members mingle and decide where they want to be

10:30 - 11:00 Round 1 begins

Dave and Alyse -Seely Lane Park

Pete -Dutch Canyon Pocket Park

Justine -Keys Road Pocket Park

Dakota - Creekview Park

Alex and Mike -Chapman Landing

Nick and JJ -Vista Park

Cara and Megan- Miller Park

11:05 -11:35 Round 2 begins

11:40 -12:00 Mike Sykes -Closing remarks and questions about parks

City Planner Laurie Oliver went over a list of proposed questions for the Annual Town Meeting.

Draft of the questions we will be asking at the ATM related to housing policy

Question: What housing issues are you most concerned about in Scappoose?

Answers:

- a.) Cost of homeownership
- b.) Cost of rent
- c.) Housing availability
- d.) Too much growth too quickly

Question: The City currently allows 7,500 square foot lots in our low density zoning district and 6,000 square foot lots in our moderate density zoning district for single-family detached housing. If Scappoose allows smaller single-family lots, what is the smallest lot size the City should allow?

Answers:

- a.) 5,000 square foot lots
- b.) 4,000 square foot lots
- c.) 3,000 square foot lots
- d.) The City should not allow smaller single-family lots.

Question: Do you think the City should consider allowing cottage cluster housing in selected areas?

Answers:

- a.) Yes
- b.) No
- c.) I'm not sure

Question: Do you think the City should consider allowing tiny houses in selected areas?

Answers:

- a.) Yes
- b.) No
- c.) I'm not sure

Question: Should the City allow multiplexes (duplex, triplex, or four-plex) in the low density zone (think west side of town above Veteran's Park)?

Answers:

- a.) Yes, on any lot where a single-family detached house is allowed
- b.) Yes, but only on corner lots
- c.) No

Question: Currently the City's development code only allows 8 units per apartment building which discourages developers. If the City allows more units per building, how many should we allow?

Answers:

- a.) Up to 12 units per building
- b.) Up to 16 units per building
- c.) Up to 20 units per building
- d.) More than 20 units per building
- e.) Do not allow more than 8 units per building

Question: The City currently limits residential and commercial building heights in the high density and commercial zone to 50 feet (about as tall as the candle). Should the City allow buildings up to 60 feet to increase density?

Answers:

- a.) Yes
- b.) No
- c.) The City should allow taller buildings, but I'm not sure how tall.

Question: What types of residential development should the City allow in commercial zones? Answers:

- a.) Allow residential uses that meet the high density zoning requirements (this is what our code currently allows)
- b.) Only allow residential uses if they are above commercial space on the first floor (aka mixed use buildings)

Question: The City currently allows for a density adjustment when developing on a parcel that has wetlands on site, so long as the development does not impact the wetland or the wetland buffer. The adjustment allows development of housing types to the net density that would have existed for the base zone without the constraints. Should the City allow the same density adjustment for parcels impacted by the 100 year floodplain, so long as the development of housing is not within the boundaries of the floodplain?

Answers:

- a.) Yes
- b.) No
- c.) I'm not sure

City Manager Sykes mentioned the proposed motto's received and how we will allow people to suggest their motto at the meeting also.

City Planner Laurie Oliver explained as far as the last question goes, she needs to make it a little less wordy.

City Planner Laurie Oliver explained in regards to the Buildable Lands Inventory there certainly will be more opportunities to discuss this. Staff will probably do some online surveys the closer they get to actually making some of these policy changes. There will also be a number of joint City Council/Planning Commission meetings and those will be open to the public as well. She explained this is just our first look at this. She stated if Council has any additional questions, please let staff know.

Council thanked Laurie and Ben for their work on the Annual Town Meeting.

Adjournment ~ Mayor Burge adjourned the Work Session at 6:43 p.m.

Scott Burge, Mayor

Susan M. Reeves, MMC, City Recorder