



TALENT CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
 - HELD AT TOWN HALL & VIA ZOOM -
 206 E. Main Street
September 6th, 2023 - 6:45 PM

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1. Call to Order/Roll Call at 6:48 p.m. (00:25)

Members Present:	Members Absent:
Mayor Ayers-Flood Councilor Ponomareff Councilor Pastizzo Councilor Byers Councilor Paré-Miller	Councilor Clark Councilor Greider
Also Present:	
Jordan Rooklyn, City Manager Tom Humphrey, Interim City Manager Dave Lohman, City Attorney Lucero Martinez, City Recorder Jennifer Snook, Police Chief Hector Flores, Community Engagement Director Tessa DeLine, Finance Director Robert Slayton, Superintendent of Public Works Mike White, IT Director	

2. Additions / Corrections to Agenda (00:47)

The City Manager requested to move item 8.3 to a future agenda because they were unable to hold the Study Session to discuss the Council Rules of Procedure.

3. Community Announcements (01:39)

The Community Engagement Director announced events that would be happening in September in Talent. The City Manager added that the Grotto Pizzeria would host the “Stronger Together Celebration” on September 8th at 4 pm. The Talent Historical Society would hold an event on September 9th for the closing of the Almeda Fire Exhibit.

Mayor Ayers-Flood and Councilor Byers added more details about the “El Mercadito” event that would be happening on September 16th, 2023, in Talent.

Councilor Ponomareff shared that on September 11th at the Talent Library, a group of Talent neighbors working with SOCAN Confronting Climate Change would be hosting a presentation called Electrify Your Home.

Mayor Ayers-Flood and City Council took a moment to thank City Manager Jordan Rooklyn for her services for the community during her time working for the City of Talent.

4. Speakers Heard on Non-Agenda Items (10:40)

Caryn Wheeler Clay Executive Director of Jackson County Community Long-Term Recovery Group and resident of Phoenix thanked the City Manager for her service for the community.

Alex Cambell, resident of Jackson County, thanked the City Manager for her services for the community.

Derek Sherell, resident of Talent addressed council.

5. Departments Report (17:00)

5.1 Departments Report

City Manager gave a verbal report and shared details of rebuilding progress of Talent.

6. Consent Calendar (20:40)

6.1 Approval of City Council Regular Meeting, August 2nd, 2023

6.2 Approval of City Council Study Session Meeting, August 2nd, 2023

6.3 Approval of City Council Regular Meeting, August 16th, 2023

6.4 Approval of Check Register – August 2023

6.5 Approval of City Manager Execution of Intergovernmental Agreement for Implementation of Fuels Reduction Work on the Bear Creek Greenway

Mayor Ayers-Flood requested to pull out items 6.6 and 6.7 of the Consent Calendar for further discussion.

Motion (21:51): Councilor Ponomareff moved to adopt the consent calendar 6.1 through 6.5. Councilor Byers seconded motion.

Discussion: None.

Vote: 4 ayes (Ponomareff, Pastizzo, Byers and Paré-Miller) 0 nays. Motions carries.

6.6 Approval of Contact with Tom Humphrey for Interim City Manager Services

Mayor Ayers-Flood asked a question regarding the contract that was answered by City Manager.

Motion (23:26): Councilor Byers moved to approve item 6.6 the agreement between Tom Humphrey Interim City Manager and City of Talent. Councilor Ponomareff seconded motion.

Discussion: None.

Vote: 4 ayes (Ponomareff, Pastizzo, Byers and Paré-Miller) 0 nays. Motions carries.

6.7 Approval of City Manager Execution of Contract Amendment with Plant Oregon for the Water Quality and Upland Canopy Recovery Project

Mayor Ayer-Flood asked a question regarding the grant money, answered by City Manager.

Motion (24:29): Councilor Byers moved to approve a contract amendment Plant Oregon for the water Quality and upland canopy Recovery Project. Councilor Ponomareff seconded motion.

Discussion: None.

Vote: 4 ayes (Ponomareff, Pastizzo, Byers and Paré-Miller) 0 nays. Motions carries.

7. Unfinished Business (25:00)

None Requested.

8. New Business (25:03)

8.1 Consideration of Parks and Recreation Commission Recommendations Regarding Dogs in Chuck Roberts Park

Parks and Recreation Commission Chair Charley Cross and Commissioner Mark Krause gave a verbal report to council, explaining the recommendations from the Dog Park Committee based on the survey feedback.

Motion (30:05): Councilor Ponomareff moved to direct staff to prepare an ordinance supporting recommendation number 1 from the Parks Commission. Councilor Byers seconded motion.

Discussion: City Manager asked a clear clarification question to City Council regarding the recommendations from Parks and Recreation Commission, answered by Chair Charley Cross. Mayor Ayers-Flood and City Council had further discussion regarding this motion. Commissioner Julie Green explained more details about the recommendation of Parks and Recreation Commission. Mayor Ayers-Flood asked council to table this motion for a moment, due to skipping a speaker request form for this item.

Speaker Susan Bizeau, resident of Talent addressed the council regarding this item.

City Attorney Dave Lohman shared his recommendation to council regarding this motion.

Vote: 4 ayes (Ponomareff, Pastizzo, Byers and Paré-Miller) 0 nays. Motions carries.

Parks and Recreation Chair Charley Cross, addressed council about public feedback for building a larger dog park.

Mayor Ayers-Flood and City Council had a discussion regarding the existent Parks Master Plan to build a dog park on Suncrest Road.

City Manager and Interim City Manager gave their recommendations of the process and discussed on their experience what would be easier to do to build a dog park.

Motion (01:10:44): Councilor Byers moved to direct staff to work with the Parks and Recreation Commission to draw a plan for an amendment to the master plan, specific to Chuck Roberts Park that includes the Dog Park. Councilor Pastizzo seconded motion.

Discussion: None.

Vote: 4 ayes (Ponomareff, Pastizzo, Byers and Paré-Miller) 0 nays. Motions carries.

8.2 Resolution 2023-079-R Updating Signers on City Bank Accounts

City Manager informed council that this resolution officially gives Tom Humphrey the power to sign City checks in his role as Interim City Manager.

Motion (01:12:15): Councilor Byers moved to adopt Resolution 2023-079-R. Councilor Paré-Miller seconded motion.

Discussion: None.

Vote: 4 ayes (Ponomareff, Pastizzo, Byers and Paré-Miller) 0 nays. Motions carries.

9. Executive Session (01:12:58)

Mayor Ayers-Flood read the script for the Executive Session.

The Council met in an executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(d) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations.

Mayor Ayers-Flood and City Council returned to Regular Session letting audience know that there was no decision made. (02:15:22)

10. Other Business and Future Agenda Items (02:15:28)

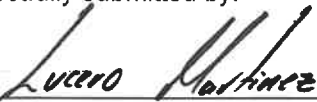
City Manager reminded council the new date and time for Talent Urban Renewal Agency meeting.

11. Written Communications (02:17:46)

None Requested.

12. Adjournment 9:05pm (02:17:51)

Respectfully submitted by:



Lucero Martinez, City Recorder

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