



**TALENT CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
HELD VIA ZOOM  
March 24, 2021 — 7:15 PM**

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**1. Call to Order/Roll Call at 6:04 p.m. (0:00:19)**

<b>Members Present:</b>	<b>Members Absent:</b>
Mayor Ayers-Flood Councilor Ponomareff Councilor Volkart Councilor Pastizzo Councilor Byers Councilor Paré-Miller	Councilor Clark
<b>Also Present:</b>	
Jamie McLeod-Skinner, Interim City Manager Hector Flores, Interim City Recorder Jennifer Snook, Police Chief Bret Marshall, Public Works Director Kurt Sexton, Finance Director Dick Converse, Interim Community Development Director	

**2. Meeting Accessibility (0:01:42)**

2.1 Opportunity to Interpret Meeting into Spanish

None Requested

**3. Executive session (3:10)**

The Council met in an executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(h) to consult with legal counsel concerning legal rights and duties regarding current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.

**4. Reconvening of Public Meeting and Report Out (1:00:40)**

**5. Public Hearings 7:09 pm (1:01:25):**

5.1 Ordinance 2021-698-O for Temporary Limited Scope Amendments to Title 15 and Title 18 of the Talent Municipal Code to Enable the Rebuilding of Fire-Damaged Structures within the City's Floodway Buffer.

Staff Report – Interim City Manager & Interim Community Development Director

Speaker Heard on agenda item.

Carol Berger – 307 Ganges Drive, Talent, OR

**Motion (1:23:42):** – Councilor Volkart moved to continue the hearing on this matter till the April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Council Hearing.: Councilor Ponomareff seconded motion.

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:** 5 ayes (Ponomareff, Volkart, Pastizzo, Byers and Paré-Miller) 0 nays. Motion carries.

**6. Speakers Heard on Non-Agenda Items (1:25:57)**

Jose Rubio – 360 Belmont Road, Talent, OR

**7. Committee Member Appointments (1:30:37):**

6.1 Appointment of Budget Committee Members

Staff Report – Interim City Manager

Mayor – Appoints Larry Chase to the Budget Committee.

**Motion (1:33:55):** – Councilor Ponomareff to affirm the Mayors reappoint Larry Chase to the Budget Committee. Councilor Volkart and Paré-Miller seconded motion.

**Discussion:** Councilor Volkart asked for clarification on appointments process.

**Vote:** 5 ayes (Ponomareff, Volkart, Pastizzo, Byers and Paré-Miller) 0 nays. Motion carries.

Mayor – Appoints Joi Riley to the Budget Committee.

**Motion (1:40:55):** – Councilor Volkart to affirm the Mayors reappoint of Joi Riley to the Budget Committee. Councilor Volkart and Byers seconded motion.

**Discussion:** None

**Vote:** 5 ayes (Ponomareff, Volkart, Pastizzo, Byers and Paré-Miller) 0 nays. Motion carries.

**8. Unfinished Business**

**9. Consent Calendar (1:42:55):**

Staff Report – Interim City Manager

Councilor Ponomareff and Paré-Miller discussion ensued regarding whom can vote and approve Minutes

9.1 Approval of City Council Minutes December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020

9.2 Approval of City Council Minutes December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020

9.3 Approval of City Council Minutes January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020

9.4 Approval of City Council Minutes January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020

9.5 Approval of City Council Minutes January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020

9.6 Approval of City Council Minutes February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020

**Motion (1:51:50):** – Councilor Volkart moved to continue this issue till the April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting. Councilor Paré-Miller seconded motion.

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:** 5 ayes (Ponomareff, Volkart, Pastizzo, Byers and Paré-Miller) 0 nays. Motion carries.

**10. Public Presentations (1:53:00)**

Staff Report – Interim City Manager

Jon Legarza – Talent Urban Renewal Agency

Tom Humphrey – Housing Task Force – Reginal Lead

Stan Thomas – Oregon Emergency Management Department

Kim Travis – OHCS

Duke Davis – Federal Emergency Management Agency

Pam Zawada – Federal Emergency Management Agency

Peter Hainley - Casa of Oregon

Kathy Keese – UNETE

Kathline Maguire - NSWA Operations Manager

Eveit – 3771 S. Pacific Hwy, Space 44, Medford (Displaced due to Almeda Fire)

Martin Casa – Rogue Valley (Displace due to Almeda Fire)

Irma Rodriguez – 3720 S. Pacific Hwy (Displaced to Ashland Hotel due to Almeda Fire)

Discussion ensued over housing needs and the lack of help for the Latin X Community in the area.

Guadalupe Del Cruz – Member of NSWA (Displace due to Almeda Fire) – Mentioned other fire victims in ability to receive help from federal organizations.

Belen Diaz - Who was renting a room in one of the properties that burned, and she is not employed at this time.

**Motion (3:27:54):** – Councilor Byers moved to continue the meeting till 9:45 pm. Councilor Ponomareff seconded motion.

**Discussion:** None

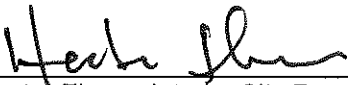
**Vote:** 5 ayes (Ponomareff, Volkart, Pastizzo, Byers and Paré-Miller) 0 nays. Motion carries.

Cristian Casgrove – Medford OR

## 11. Written Communications

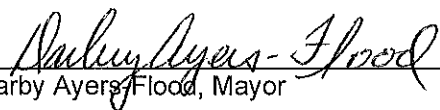
## 12. Adjournment at 9:38pm (3:34:25)

Respectfully submitted by:



Hector Flores, Interim City Recorder

Attest:



Darby Ayers-Flood, Mayor

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