

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

November 12, 2019

The minutes of the proceedings of a City Council and Urban Renewal work session of the City of Coos Bay, Coos County, Oregon, held at 5:30 pm in Fire Station No. 1 Conference Room - 450 Elrod Avenue, Coos Bay, Oregon.

Those Attending

Those present were Mayor Joe Benetti and Councilors Lucinda DiNovo, Drew Farmer, Stephanie Kilmer, Phil Marler, and Carmen Matthews. Councilor Rob Miles was absent. City staff present were City Manager Rodger Craddock, City Attorney Nate McClintock, Finance Director Nichole Rutherford, Deputy Finance Director Melissa Olson, Public Works and Community Development Director Jim Hossley, and City Engineer Jennifer Wirsing.

Review of the Following Council/URA Agenda for November 19, 2019

Consideration of Approval of Amendment #2 to 4th Street Project Design Contract

Public Works and Community Development Director Jim Hossley stated the City received cost estimates for the 4th Street (Market Avenue to Golden Avenue) reconstruction and safety improvement project. Option One for replacing traffic signals, constructing bumpout pedestrian ramps, and reconstructing/repaving the 4th Street intersections at Commercial and Anderson Avenues was estimated at \$1,481,000. Option Two for completing the project within the boundaries of the Downtown Urban Renewal District only (Market Avenue to Donnelly Avenue) to include street reconstruction, constructing pedestrian safety improvements, and traffic signals at the two intersections from Option One was estimated at \$3,325,000. Option Three was the total cost for traffic signals, road reconstruction and pedestrian safety improvements from Market Avenue to Golden Avenue was estimated at \$5,230,000. Reconstruction and improvements included replacing traffic signals and poles at the intersections of Commercial and Anderson Avenues, rapid fire flashing beacons at two cross walks, ADA compliant pedestrian bumpout ramps at all intersections, sidewalk improvement along the Old City Hall building, reconstruction and resurfacing of the road surface, striping, and signage.

Council discussed the options, which sections needed immediate repair, possibly doing the sidewalk only within the Market to Commercial Avenues section, planning ahead for future downtown projects, and funding or possible grants for sections outside the Downtown Urban Renewal District (Market Avenue to Donnelly Avenue). Council consensus to move forward with a modified Option Two, move ahead with financing options for \$3,350,000, and have staff bring back to council additional options, costs, and recommendations for project adjustments to Option Two along with sections beyond Donnelly Avenue.

Discussion of Options for the 4th Street Reconstruction and Pedestrian Safety Improvements

Public Works and Community Development Director Jim Hossley stated Civil West Engineering Services had requested a not-to-exceed \$43,310 amendment (#2) for their

design contract for 4th Street. The project was initially envisioned as a street diet and overlay project. Based on the results of a geotechnical report, a simple overlay for 4th Street was not an option for longevity of the pavement; the entire length of street needs to be reconstructed due to poor soil quality and insufficient road bed. The city's present contract with Civil West assumed most of the street would be overlain with some areas of dig outs/reconstruction required. The first amendment (approved by the Urban Renewal Agency May 21, 2019) was to do traffic signal replacement design. This second amendment adds the additional work needed to perform complete design for full reconstruction and provide bid support.

Consideration of Approval of Emergency Procurement for the Repair of the Secondary Digester at Plant 1

Public Works and Community Development Director Jim Hossley stated the city must procure a contractor under Section 11(b) of Resolution 17-14 to enter into an emergency contract to repair the secondary digester at Plant 1. The digesters at Plant 1 treat sludge from both Plant 1 and Plant 2. If the digesters are not repaired this year, the city stands to risk a permit violation and the inability to land apply next summer. Staff coordinated with Slayden Construction to perform an inspection the week of November 1, 2019 and provide approximate costs for the repair. City Engineer Jennifer Wirsing stated anticipated costs to be \$100,000 to \$150,000 and staff was looking for the original plans to go directly into fabrication instead of back to design by the engineer.

Council Comments

Councilor DiNovo asked to have the same rules for public comments at work sessions as regular council meetings, with five minutes to speak and possible extension if council interacts with questions. Council agreed and will announce at the beginning of each work session the allowable time to speak. Ms. DiNovo asked if the Community Enhancement Plan (CEP) had been signed. City Manager Rodger Craddock stated it had not been signed and a representative from CCD Business Development Corporation would be getting signatures. Councilor Kilmer asked if there was an update from Lane Council of Governments regarding the compilation of the Jordan Cove applications summaries. Mr. Craddock stated we were still in the rebuttal stage until November 15, 2019 and summary reports would be completed December 3, 2019 and available for council review. Mayor Benetti stated he would not be at the November 19, 2019 or November 26, 2019 meetings, returning for the December 3, 2019 meeting.

City Manager Rodger Craddock stated he and Mayor Benetti meet with Anne Johnson from the lobbying firm Pac/West who had a proposal for lobbying services beyond what the city received from the League of Oregon Cities (LOC). Pac/West would lobby for the city for specific projects or issues that are a priority for the city, whereas, LOC works on the top ten priorities by consensus of their members. Council discussed proceeding with a six month trial with specific goals, but requested Anne Johnson make a presentation to the council before moving forward.

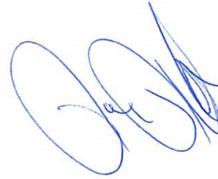
Executive Session

Deputy Finance Director Melissa Olson read the executive session meeting disclosure statement. An executive session was held pursuant to Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 192.660 (2) (d) for the purpose of discussing of labor negotiations, (2) (e) for the purpose of

discussing real property transactions, and (2) (h) for the purpose of discussing current or litigation likely to be filed. No decisions were made.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Benetti adjourned the meeting. The next regular Council meeting was scheduled for November 19, 2019 in the Council Chambers at City Hall.



Joe Benetti, Mayor

Attest: Nichole Rutherford
Nichole Rutherford, City Recorder