

City of Springfield  
Regular Meeting

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE SPRINGFIELD CITY COUNCIL HELD  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2007

The City of Springfield Council met in regular session in the Council Meeting Room, 225 Fifth Street, Springfield, Oregon, on Monday, November 19, 2007 at 7:18 p.m., with Mayor Leiken presiding.

ATTENDANCE

Present were Mayor Leiken and Councilors Lundberg, Wylie, Ballew, Ralston, Woodrow and Pishioneri. Also present were City Manager Gino Grimaldi, Assistant City Manager Jeff Towery, City Attorney Joe Leahy, City Attorney Matt Cox, City Recorder Amy Sowa and members of the staff.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Leiken.

SPRINGFIELD UPBEAT

1. Springfield Library Bookmark Winners.

Youth Services Librarian Barbara Thompson presented this item. Children's Book Week has been celebrated nationally during the week before Thanksgiving since 1919 in schools, libraries, and bookstores – where ever there are children and books.

For 27 years now, the Springfield Public Library has celebrated Children's Book Week with a book mark contest for grades kindergarten through middle school. This year, 600 children designed bookmarks and entered the contest. All of their designs, about books, reading, libraries or the year's theme, which is "Rise Up Reading!", are now displayed in the children's department.

After choosing the winners, the library has their book marks professionally printed and we then give them out to library users and children on classroom tours of the library.

Ms. Thompson introduced the bookmark contest winners 2007. Mayor Leiken congratulated each student.

Kindergarten  
Sarah Beck, Brattain Elementary

1<sup>st</sup> Grade  
Amy Rose, Ridgeview Elementary

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade  
Linda Pham, Centennial Elementary

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade  
Braiden Gheen, Walterville Elementary

4<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Mason Zmolek, Mt. Vernon Elementary

5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Monica Wilson, Brattain Elementary

Middle School  
Stevie Bristow, Goshen School

Middle School  
Megan Bernatzki, Briggs Middle School

Mayor Leiken thanked everyone for their involvement with the Library.

## 2. American Public Works Association (APWA) Award Presentation.

Public Works Director Dan Brown presented this item. He introduced Kurt Corey, President of the American Public Works Association – Oregon Chapter. The APWA Public Works Project of the Year Award was established to promote excellence in the management and administration of public works projects by recognizing the alliance between the managing agency, the consultant/architect/engineer, and the contractor who, working together, complete public works projects.

The Martin Luther King Parkway and roundabout was awarded 2007 Project of the Year in the category of a transportation project between \$2M and \$10M. Three plaques will be presented: City of Springfield, Lane County and Delta Construction.

Mr. Brown discussed this project and noted the award they received last month from the American Concrete Pavement Association. He noted that some of the people in the audience tonight were representatives from the Oregon Chapter of the American Public Works Association.

Mr. Brown introduced City staff that were involved in this project that were present tonight; Brian Barnett, Linda Pauly, and Ken Vogeney. There were many more staff people involved from the City and County.

Mr. Brown introduced Peggy Keppler, City of Eugene Manager in the Public Works Department, and currently on the state chapter board of directors. He also introduced Kurt Corey, Oregon Chapter APWA President and Public Works Director for the City of Eugene, who would be presenting tonight's awards. Mr. Brown noted that Lane County did the engineering on the project and Lee Babb, Delta Construction, was the prime contractor. Mr. Brown gave a brief introduction of Kurt Corey. He noted that Mr. Corey was recognized in 2006 as one of the top ten Public Works leaders in the nation by APWA.

Mr. Corey discussed the APWA and what it was about. He gave a brief history of the APWA, and said that they recognized excellence in public works projects. The MLK Jr. Parkway and roundabout project ranked top in the State in 2007 in the category of transportation project in the \$2M-\$10M category. One of the key factors in this type of project was the partnerships that went into providing the public with these types of improvements.

Mr. Corey asked Mayor Leiken, Bill Morgan, interim County engineer for Lane County, and Lee Babb, president of Delta Construction to come forward to receive their awards. He congratulated the Springfield City Council for their support of public works capital improvements and the public works department and making this project possible. He presented the awards.

Mr. Babb said the MLK Parkway project was a project of many agencies. His employees and superintendents were very proud of this job, but they just did what the City and County laid out for them to do. He was pleased with the design and pleased it turned out so well. He said he was proud to be here.

### CONSENT CALENDAR

**IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR LUNDBERG WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILOR WOODROW TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR. THE MOTION PASSED WITH A VOTE OF 6 FOR AND 0 AGAINST.**

1. Claims

- a. Approval of the October 2007, Disbursements for Approval.

2. Minutes

- a. November 5, 2007 – Work Session  
b. November 5, 2007 – Regular Meeting

3. Resolutions

- a. RESOLUTION NO. 07-50 – A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT PERMIT PROJECT P30150 TAYLOR RAE TERRACE SUBDIVISION.
- b. RESOLUTION NO. 07-51 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO AWARD COMPETITIVE BIDS EXCEEDING \$35,000 AND APPROVE AMENDMENTS TO PUBLIC CONTRACTS DURING THE PERIOD OF DECEMBER 4, 2007 TO JANUARY 6, 2008 WHILE THE COMMON COUNCIL IS IN RECESS.

4. Ordinances

- a. ORDINANCE NO. 6208 – AN ORDINANCE GRANTING COMCAST OF OREGON II, INC., AN ADDITIONAL TERM AND FRANCHISE RENEWAL FOR THE OPERATION OF A CABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM; AMENDING ORDINANCE 5567; ADOPTING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

5. Other Routine Matters

- a. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Letter of Agreement with Comcast Concerning Renewal of the Cable Television Franchise.
- b. Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with Galardi Consulting, LLC to Provide Services in Connection with the Upcoming Update to the City's Local System Development Charge Methodologies and Rates.
- c. Approval of Liquor License Endorsement for The Pour House, Located at 444 N 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, Springfield, Oregon.

ITEMS REMOVED

PUBLIC HEARINGS - Please limit comments to 3 minutes. Request to speak cards are available at both entrances. Please present cards to City Recorder. Speakers may not yield their time to others.

1. Downtown Urban Renewal Plan and Report.

ORDINANCE NO. 2 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE SPRINGFIELD DOWNTOWN URBAN RENEWAL PLAN AND REPORT AND ADOPTING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE (FIRST READING).

Community Development Manager John Tamulonis presented the staff report on this item. On November 6, 2007, the Springfield electorate authorized the City Council to allocate taxes to a downtown urban renewal district. Allocation of taxes to an urban renewal district requires the creation and adoption of an urban renewal plan and report. A draft version of the Downtown Urban Renewal Plan was reviewed by Council on September 17, 2007. Staff was authorized to present that draft for review by other taxing bodies and for presentation and review by the general public.

At issue is whether the Downtown Urban Renewal Plan and Report should be adopted; adopted with amendments, or rejected by the Council.

On October 2, 2007, the Downtown Urban Renewal Plan was reviewed by the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend that the City Council approve the Downtown Urban Renewal Plan and Report with a minor text change describing how urban renewal would affect schools. "Town Hall" events were held on August 7<sup>th</sup> and September 20<sup>th</sup> to present the draft plan for public review and comment. These events were publicized by display ads in the Register Guard, by media stories and by direct mail (September 20<sup>th</sup> meeting) to residents and property owners within the urban renewal plan boundary. Staff also made presentations to numerous community organizations such as the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary, and Lions Clubs.

Presentations and discussion with the staff and elected officials for affected taxing bodies including Lane County, School District 19, Lane ESD, Willamalane Park and Recreation District and Lane Community College were also held.

Attachment 1 is the adopting ordinance which follows the required contents and makes the required findings and determinations described in ORS 457.095.

Attachment 2 is the Downtown Urban Renewal Plan and Report which is also identified as Exhibit A in the adopting ordinance.

Attachment 3 is the Staff Report which provides findings for Council review related to the requirements of ORS 457 for the establishment of an urban renewal district and for the contents of an urban renewal plan.

Attachment 4 summarizes the comments received from the affected taxing bodies, the public, and those received through the Planning Commission review held on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. The attachment also includes recommended revisions to the Draft Downtown Urban Renewal Plan and Report that are intended to respond to the comments and to improve the documents.

Mr. Tamulonis referred to the attachments included in the agenda packet. He distributed a document showing the notices that were sent out regarding this item as well as the mailer sent out after the election noticing registered voters in Springfield of tonight's public hearing. He discussed the proposed amendments from the Planning Commission. He distributed a memo from Willamalane regarding a proposed project in the urban renewal plan.

Mayor Leiken opened the public hearing.

1. William Carpenter, 680 T Street, Springfield, OR Mr. Carpenter recommended the eastern boundary for the Urban Renewal District end at 14<sup>th</sup> Street. He noted several reasons for this recommendation. The first was that the City needed to live within our means. There was a great opportunity and he wanted to make sure we didn't drop the ball and find ourselves in fiscal problems. He noted the cost of the fire station that was being built, the jail being built and the urban renewal district in Glenwood detracting from tax revenues from the General Fund. Two districts of that size (if the Downtown Urban Renewal District stopped at 14<sup>th</sup> Street) would be sufficient to let the City move on and if it was later determined the land east of 14<sup>th</sup> Street warranted some type of urban renewal, the Council could go to the voters to get a small district added. He explained that the lands east of 14<sup>th</sup> Street were not appropriate for the urban renewal district because they had larger than normal lots and were not conducive to urban renewal. He felt the City needed to keep urban renewal downtown in the downtown itself.
2. Michael Balk, 260 West J Street, Springfield, OR Mr. Balk said he read through the urban renewal district plan and was thrilled with the language in the plan. He thanked staff for the hard work they put into the plan. He said he was recently at a meeting at Eugene Water and Electronic Board (EWEB) and said the meeting room had a beautiful vista of the river. Sadly, there was nothing like that in Springfield, but he felt the urban renewal plan provided an opportunity to address that reality. He said he had participated in a river clean-up recently and noted the amount of transient's trash that was gathered. He felt the reason for the excessive trash and transient's living under the railroad trestle, was because much of the property was unused. The objectives outlined in the development plan included the highest use of property connected to the river and dealing with the community safety and health. He was thrilled that this could offer an opportunity, in the long term, to relocate the chemical company. He made copies of the current evaluation of Valley River Center and noted that they paid about

\$100,000 more in taxes annually than the entire Borden heavy industrial property complex in Springfield, which was over double the size. He felt Borden Chemical (Hexion) might be happier in a location that was less environmentally sensitive. He hoped they would look over those figures. He noted the many possibilities for downtown such as nice restaurants, hotels, public open space, a new library or a foot bridge. The money would eventually accumulate in the district making it easier for Hexion to relocate. He had his home in Springfield for thirty years, and property along the river for twenty years, which made him sensitive to the transient issue along the river. He didn't see things getting better until the property was fully utilized and occupied. He provided the Mayor and Council with a copy of the Valley River Center evaluation.

3. Fred Simmons, 312 South 52<sup>nd</sup> Place, Springfield, OR Mr. Simmons said the urban renewal staff report was full of technical errors. It referred to a hearing that occurred before the Planning Commission on October 2, but that meeting was not a public hearing, but rather a meeting. He said he had noted that during the meeting and asked that it not be referred to as a hearing, but it was. Tonight was the first public hearing that had occurred on the downtown urban renewal district. He referred to Table 6, the list of proposed projects. He said they didn't delineate how their execution benefited the urban renewal district boundaries. He didn't feel the plan was legitimately adoptable in its present form. He said it was clear from the SEDA meeting, that this was a done deal. He felt that this needed to be dealt with in a court by a third party. The real flaw was the date of notice issue and that there was no date of notice requirement in the urban renewal statute. The plan voted on by the people, didn't seem that it was directly connected to benefit downtown. He discussed the issue of the boundary going out to 23<sup>rd</sup> and noted that the southern boundary didn't include the Booth Kelly property in a way that would be beneficial to the downtown urban renewal area. He said he stood opposed to this plan and report.
4. Gery VanderMeer, 2604 J Street, Springfield, OR Mr. VanderMeer thanked Mark Metzger and John Tamulonis and said they had done an excellent job of working with the public to get the information out correctly. Since the urban renewal plan was first assembled, an unforeseen circumstance had arisen - the substantial cost increase in construction and building materials. This had resulted in the previously approved Justice Center experiencing cost increases that had diminished funds available for the 100 bed jail that was promised to the citizens. He was concerned that the jail may get short-shifted. There was an opportunity for SEDA to make sure that commitment of the 100 bed jail was met and the voters of the City of Springfield would not have their faith in the City broken. If it was in the best interest for SEDA to build a new Library and Fire Station, they should also support the jail. It would be his request that SEDA be authorized in appropriate language in this plan to provide financial assistance to City necessary to complete the jail. This would be a significant break in faith for the citizens if the City did not support and build that jail. He would support 14<sup>th</sup> Street as the eastern boundary for this district. It seemed logical that the area that would benefit most from the funds allocated should be in the downtown area. Extending past 14<sup>th</sup> Street would be including an area that wouldn't see any benefit. He hoped Council would accommodate his requests and first complete the jail.

Mayor Leiken closed the public hearing.

NO ACTION REQUESTED. FIRST READING ONLY.

2. Merger of Regional Fiber Consortium and Fiber South Consortium.

ORDINANCE NO. 3 – AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING THE CREATION OF THE REGIONAL FIBER OPTIC CONSORTIUM, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT CREATING THE CONSORTIUM ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, AND REPEALING ORDINANCES 5926 AND 5942 (FIRST READING).

Assistant Public Works Director Len Goodwin presented the staff report on this item. The Board of Directors of the Regional Fiber Consortium and the Board of Directors of the Fiber South Consortium have agreed that the two consortia should be merged and that the Regional Fiber Consortium should be the surviving entity. The Boards have approved a draft Intergovernmental Agreement to effect the merger. That draft agreement is now presented for Council review, along with an ordinance, as required by ORS 190.085, ratifying the creation of the Regional Fiber Consortium as the surviving entity.

When the two Consortia were created, the principal reason for keeping them separate was the perceived difficulty of managing an enterprise with a diverse group of cities and counties encompassing virtually the entire southern half of the state. Shortly after both were formed, they began to operate in tandem and, for the past several years, every meeting has been a joint meeting of both Consortia. While the broad geographical scope of the two Consortia has been a complicating factor in efficient operation, it is proving to be less of a concern than is the difficulty of getting either of the Consortia to function efficiently. Simply put, many member jurisdictions take only a passive interest. The boards have concluded that the core group, which includes jurisdictions from both Consortia, can more effectively manage operations if the two Consortia are merged and a representative Board of Directors created to manage affairs, rather than rely on a Board which includes every member jurisdiction.

One negative impact of keeping the Consortia separate has been the difficulty of managing financial resources. Although the telecommunications industry views the consortia's fiber assets as a unitary system, because the original arrangements were made separately, a situation has arisen where Fiber South has substantial debt and Regional Fiber has significant reserves well in excess of that debt. This merger will allow for retirement of the existing debt, and by consolidating many of the administrative functions, allow for reduced ongoing expenses.

Mr. Goodwin explained why the merger was being proposed and why it was being proposed as an ordinance.

Mayor Leiken opened the public hearing.

No one appeared to speak.

Mayor Leiken closed the public hearing.

NO ACTION REQUESTED. FIRST READING ONLY.

3. Vacation of a Portion of 18<sup>th</sup> Street Public Right-of-way North of Q Street, Case No. LRP2007-00024.

ORDINANCE NO. 5 – AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF 18<sup>TH</sup> STREET  
PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY WITHIN RONALD PARK PLAT AS PLATTED AND  
RECORDED IN BOOK 14, PAGE 13 LANE COUNTY OREGON PLAT RECORDS  
(FIRST READING).

City Planner Andy Limbird presented the staff report on this item. On September 12, 2007, the applicant, Scott McKee, initiated a vacation of public right-of-way for the segment of 18<sup>th</sup> Street between Q Street and the developed intersection of 18<sup>th</sup> and Q Streets. The applicant owns the adjacent properties and intends to develop a commercial office building on the site.

The subject right-of-way is an irregular-shaped portion of 18<sup>th</sup> Street lying to the north of Q Street. The subject right-of-way was platted with the adjacent Ronald Park subdivision in 1948, but was subsequently truncated when Q Street was realigned to accommodate the I-105 on-ramp and interchange. The right-of-way requested for vacation is partially developed with a 20-foot wide asphalt mat surface and provides access to an existing dwelling. The three abutting tax lots that have frontage on the vacation area were recently rezoned from Medium Density Residential (MDR) to General Office (GO) pursuant to Planning Action ZON2007-00011. All three tax lots with frontage on the subject right-of-way are owned by the applicant. The applicant is proposing to combine the vacation area and the adjacent tax lots into a single development site for a commercial office building. The applicant has not completed an Assessment of Special Benefit for the vacation area as required by the City's Municipal Code. The applicant is requesting a continuance of the public hearing to allow for the information to be prepared and submitted for consideration by City Council, and before any decision to approve the vacation ordinance.

Mr. Limbird said staff was recommending the applicant's request to open the public hearing and leave it open until Council's regular meeting on January 7, 2008.

Councilor Ballew asked for an explanation of 'assessment of special benefit'.

Mr. Limbird said the assessment of special benefit was an evaluation, typically by a professional land appraiser, that would attribute an incremental value to the land as to proportional development potential of the property. This vacation request was for 7500 square feet of land, a good portion of which could be built upon.

Councilor Pishioneri asked who would select the appraiser.

Mr. Limbird said the Municipal Code required the applicant provide an unbiased, third party assessment for review by the City Manager and then presented to City Council.

Mr. Leahy said special assessment was a response to Council concerns over the years regarding vacating property and it adding to the value of the person who seeks the vacation and the City not receiving any remuneration for the vacation. The Code required an MAI appraiser, but allowed for situations that didn't bear the cost of securing an MAI appraiser. The applicant had been told that if he secured an independent appraisal from a recognized broker for the City Manager to review and recommend to Council, that might work. The City was not bound to do that. If the City Manager or Council determined the appraisal from the broker was not fair, they could require the property owner go back and get an MAI appraiser.

Councilor Pishioneri said he felt the amount of property was large enough to require an appraiser from an MAI appraiser.

Mr. Leahy said it was written so Council could make that requirement.

Councilor Lundberg said if the appraiser came back and Council was not comfortable with the report, Council could send it back for an MAI appraisal.

Mr. Leahy said that was correct.

Councilor Woodrow asked what the cost difference was between a broker and MAI appraiser.

Mr. Leahy said \$0 - \$800 compared to \$2000 - \$6000. It was Council's choice.

Mayor Leiken said he was comfortable with a commercial realtor doing the appraisal because of the information they had at their disposal.

Councilor Pishioneri said he would be comfortable allowing that if Council could come back to revisit this if Council was not satisfied with the appraisal. He noted the ingress and regress in that area and warrants for that intersection and traffic control. He explained. He had concerns about visibility on that corner.

Mr. Limbird said the intent of the vacation was to combine the vacated area with the adjacent tax lot to create one development area. The entire development was proposed as a commercial office building and would need to go through site plan review. Traffic and accessibility issues would be dealt with once a development plan was presented. Staff could then respond to that plan. The applicant was looking to assemble the land base first. The applicant team would provide information and analysis at that time to ensure accessibility for commercial traffic generation.

Councilor Ballew said there were a lot of public improvements in the right of way. She asked how those would be moved and if the applicant would have to determine that before or after the vacation.

Mr. Limbird said there was no specific timeline from the date the ordinance was approved until it was recorded with Lane County. Staff would require that a public improvement plan to address the existing utilities and improvements in that portion of the street was accepted prior to recording the vacation ordinance. There needed to be a plan in hand for the relocation of the utilities prior to recording of vacation, approved by the City Engineer.

Councilor Ballew asked how that was enforced and recorded.

Mr. Limbird said the developer would be required to bond for the public improvements.

**IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR LUNDBERG WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILOR WOODROW TO EXTEND THE PUBLIC HEARING TO JANUARY 7, 2008. THE MOTION PASSED WITH A VOTE OF 6 FOR AND 0 AGAINST.**

**NO ACTION ON THE ORDINANCE REQUESTED. FIRST READING ONLY.**

## BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE

1. Curtiss Greer, 357 55<sup>th</sup> Street, Springfield, OR. Mr. Greer opened his remarks by stating that what he was reading was not directed at any one individual. Feeling that there was something familiar about the recent actions by proponents of the ballot measure, he spent the weekend searching speeches from the past and discovered a distinct similarity to what was happening here in Springfield. Having grown up near the time of a particular regime that was extremely good at this, he became familiar with the strategy and he felt the same strategy was being used here now. This was a propaganda game being set forth to convince the populace to fall. As was said by the regime "if the propaganda achieves the right results, it is good". He totally disagreed with that criterion. If we lose the value of speaking the whole and complete truth, we are headed for destruction and dictatorship. The urban renewal issue was riddled with propaganda. TEAM Springfield news releases were riddled with propaganda. This was what upset him more than anything else. It did not matter if he agreed or disagreed with the projects, he did disagree with the propaganda that had been published. He gave the example of the term 'no new taxes' and said raising existing taxes had the same affect as new. Giving the impression that only money from the area would fund the projects when the cost applied to the whole City. In taking over \$1M from the taxpayers to fund a project and then taking glory in having it done. Using propaganda to have the schools agree that they could afford to have money taken away – they better not ask for any replacement. From what he had observed, he would like to know what safeguards were in place to prevent a repeat of history. In case someone didn't know the regime he spoke of, it was the one in Germany by the man who built the Berlin Party, later known as the Nazi Party.

## COUNCIL RESPONSE

## CORRESPONDENCE AND PETITIONS

## BIDS

## ORDINANCES

## BUSINESS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

1. Committee Appointments
  - a. Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) Appointment.

Housing Manager Kevin Ko presented the staff report on this item. Three positions on the CDAC are scheduled to expire on December 31, 2007, due to term expirations of Roxie Cuellar, Dan Egan and Bonnie Peterson. A fourth position has been vacated due to the resignation of Diana Garcia. All positions are at-large appointments. Pending confirmation by the Council, the terms for three appointees will begin on January 1, 2008 and will continue through December 31, 2011. The person appointed to fill the position vacated by Ms. Garcia will serve the current term through December 31, 2009, and will be eligible to serve two additional full terms.

The CDAC consists of six at-large positions from the community, one representative from the City Council and one representative from the Planning Commission. The CDAC advises the City Council on all matters related to the City's housing and community development activities which are funded annually by Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funds received from HUD. Applications are encouraged from lower income earners, residents of lower income neighborhoods, racial and ethnic minorities, senior citizens, disabled individuals and female heads of households. All applicants must live within the city limits of Springfield.

The positions are available as a result of the upcoming term expirations of Roxie Cuellar, Dan Egan and Bonnie Peterson, and the resignation of Diana Garcia. The notice of available positions was posted on October 23, 2007 and applications were being accepted through November 1, 2007. Seven applications were received. Staff presented the applications to the Council at the November 13, 2007 work session. Council recommended Judith Harold, Robyn Sattler and Caroline Toy for full-term appointments to the CDAC, and recommended Gerald Strebendt to a partial-term appointment. Staff is requesting that Council appoint Harold, Sattler, Strebendt and Toy to fill the four available positions on the CDAC.

**IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR LUNDBERG WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILOR WOODROW TO APPOINT JUDITH HAROLD, ROBYN SATTLER AND CAROLINE TOY TO THE CDAC WITH TERMS TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2011. THE MOTION PASSED WITH A VOTE OF 6 FOR AND 0 AGAINST.**

**IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR LUNDBERG WITH A SECOND BY COUNCILOR WOODROW TO APPOINT GERALD STREBENDT TO THE CDAC TO COMPLETE THE TERM OF DIANA GARCIA WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2009. THE MOTION PASSED WITH A VOTE OF 6 FOR AND 0 AGAINST.**

2. Business from Council

a. Committee Reports

1. Councilor Ballew reported on the Metropolitan Policy Committee (MPC) meeting. There were some concerns that the Federal Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) wasn't going to stand. There was a split vote from Eugene, with the standing vote coming from Mayor Piercy. She noted the importance of that document. Without it, a lot of projects would not be able to go forward. Part of the discussion was to start working on updating the Metro Plan and particularly TransPlan. That would mean a commitment from Springfield. She had talked with City staff that felt they should start on that, too.

Mayor Leiken said Mayor Piercy's vote was key because of the federal dollars on the line. If it had failed, it could have squelched some major projects including the identifiable funding that could eventually get to the I-5/Beltline interchange. He sent Mayor Piercy an email thanking her for her vote. They would be looking to move forward eventually to doing the infrastructure work on the intersection of the Expressway and 52<sup>nd</sup> Street, as well as the intersection at the Expressway and Main Street. The parties agreed the Metro Plan needed to be discussed.

2. Councilor Ballew reported on the Lane Workforce Partnership. She said there was a declining amount of federal financing for projects and training personnel.
3. Councilor Lundberg thanked Council for the moment to do the ribbon cutting for Café Yumm! She said that was the nicest moment to have that come to this community along with Starbucks. She said that Casey Hatfield from KEZI commented that the new Café Yumm! in Springfield was easier to get to than the one on Coburg Road because of traffic.
4. Councilor Ralston reported on the Human Services Commission (HSC). The main topic was how to separate out the Health Center. The proposal would be going before the Lane County Commissioners. It should save money and hold providers harmless. Currently, the Health Center was taking more money and resources from the providers, and that wasn't supposed to happen. The Health Center should be able to stand on its own. To separate it out, however, a new Executive Director needed to be hired, along with new staff, and it would cost more money. It was not clear whether or not this would be beneficial. HSC was instructed to make a clear summary that everyone could understand so it didn't look like they were hiding anything. It had been a long process, but should be getting close to the end. He said he would provide an update after they go before the Lane County Commissioners.
5. Mayor Leiken said he had the opportunity to have lunch at the Relief Nursery. There was a group looking at the Relief Nursery from Kiev, Ukraine. One was the Deputy Mayor. It was interesting to talk to them about how non-profit agencies function and work. The central government in the Ukraine had always provided these types of services for the citizens. The Relief Nursery was a model organization.

Mayor Leiken also referred to Councilor Ralston's discussion about the HSC. Senator Wyden would be in Springfield tomorrow to hold a round table on affordable housing. Housing Manager Kevin Ko and the Mayor had been invited and would be attending. The senator was very impressed with what was happening in Springfield regarding affordable housing. The Mayor and Mr. Ko would have a seat at the table.

Councilor Ralston said Springfield was looking at expanding the urban growth boundary and providing affordable land. He wanted to make sure that part of that formula was some sort of mechanism to set aside property that non-profits could use to build affordable housing. There was not much affordable property left in the City.

Mayor Leiken said he agreed. One of the biggest arguments made when testifying in Salem regarding HB3337, was that young families were moving to smaller outlying communities to find affordable housing. When expanding the UGB, affordable housing needed to be part of that.

BUSINESS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

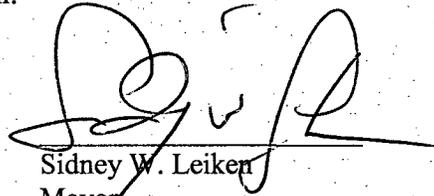
BUSINESS FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY

Mr. Leahy noted that the University of Oregon men took first place in the National Cross Country and the women placed second.

ADJOURNMENT

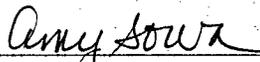
The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:21 p.m.

Minutes Recorder Amy Sowa



Sidney W. Leiken  
Mayor

Attest:



Amy Sowa  
City Recorder