



Minutes of the Molalla City Council Meeting

Molalla Adult Community Center
315 Kennel Ave., Molalla, OR 97038
May 26, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

The Molalla City Council Meeting of May 26, 2021 was called to order by Mayor Scott Keyser at 7:18pm.

COUNCIL ATTENDANCE

Mayor Scott Keyser, Council President Leota Childress, Councilor Elizabeth Klein, Councilor Terry Shankle, Councilor Jody Newland, Councilor Crystal Robles, Councilor Steve Deller.

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Dan Huff, City Manager; Gerald Fisher, Public Works Director; Mac Corthell, Planning Director; Christie DeSantis, City Recorder.

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CEREMONIES

RFP #2021-01 Municipal Court Judge: On March 29, 2021, the City of Molalla posted an RFP for Municipal Court Judge. Proposals were due on April 30, 2021. Proposant interviews with Council took place at a special Executive Session on Wednesday, May 19, 2021. On May 26, 2021, Council held an Executive Session prior to City Council, where second interviews took place between two finalists, Ms. Lucy Heil and Ms. Kyndre Lundquist.

Mayor Keyser made a motion to appoint Lucy Heil as the Molalla Municipal Court Judge. The motion was seconded by Council President Childress. Vote passed 5-0 with Mayor Keyser, Council President Childress, Councilor Deller, Councilor Robles and Councilor Newland voting Aye. Councilors Klein and Shankle abstained from the vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ashley Bentley, owner of Bentley Feed, spoke to Council regarding construction concerns. A project between ODOT and I&E Construction is scheduled to start soon, and Ms. Bentley is concerned about construction on OR211 and Molalla Avenue.

Ayaz Vacerya, owner of Burger King, shared information with Council about the possibility of building a restaurant in the city of Molalla. He is concerned about SDC prices.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Adopted as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Meeting Minutes – May 12, 2021
- B. Updated 2018-2023 Capital Improvement Plan
- C. TMDL (Total Maximum Daily Load) Report

Council President Childress made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilor Newland. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Ordinance No. 2021-08: Water Management, Conservation, and Water System Master Plan

Mayor Keyser opened the Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 2021-08 at 8:03pm. Public Works Director Fisher and a representative with The Dyer Partnership delivered the Staff Report. (A copy of this presentation is located on the City's website, under the May 26, 2021 Council Meeting - Supporting Documents)

There were no members of the audience that wished to speak in favor or against the ordinance. The Public Hearing was closed at 8:04pm.

B. Ordinance No. 2021-06: Amending Section 17-3.6.010 Purpose and Applicability, to Include Limitations on the Public Improvement Requirement

Mayor Keyser opened the Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 2021-06 at 8:06pm. Planning Director Corthell delivered the Staff Report and read Exhibit I – Findings of Facts into the record.

There were no members of the audience that wished to speak in favor or against the ordinance. The Public Hearing was closed at 8:10pm.

Mayor Keyser called for a 10-minute recess at 8:10pm. The meeting reconvened at 8:23pm.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A. Ordinance No. 2021-08: Water Management, Conservation, and Water System Master Plan

Councilor Newland made a motion to hold the First Reading of Ordinance No. 2021-08 by title only, seconded by Councilor Shankle. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

Councilor Klein made a motion to hold the Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2021-08 by title only, seconded by Councilor Shankle. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

A motion was made by Councilor Newland to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-08 by title only, seconded by Council President Childress. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

B. Ordinance No. 2021-06: Amending Section 17-3.6.010 Purpose and Applicability, to Include Limitations on the Public Improvement Requirement

Council President Childress made a motion to hold the First Reading of Ordinance No. 2021-06 by title only, seconded by Councilor Shankle. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

Councilor Newland made a motion to hold the Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2021-06 by title only, seconded by Councilor Klein. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

A motion was made by Councilor Deller to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-06, seconded by Councilor Newland. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

C. Resolution No. 2021-17: Repealing the Existing and Adopting an Updated System Development Charge Rates for the Water, Sanitary Sewer, Stormwater, Transportation, and Park System for Each Utility

City Manager Huff spoke to Council regarding the repeal of SDC's and keeping rates lowered until January 1, 2022, opposed to the initial change happening July 1, 2021. Mr. Huff explained that there are two options for Resolutions, and Draft B keeps the SDC rates lower to developers, without applying new fees. There is concern about supplies being in demand, and City staff hopes to have a clearer picture in the next six months of how the economy is recovering.

A motion was made by Councilor Klein to approve DRAFT B of Resolution No. 2021-17, seconded by Council President Childress. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

D. Resolution No. 2021-15: Ratifying the Purchase of Property by the Urban Renewal Agency for the Development of the Police Station(Huff)

Mr. Huff spoke to Council about the fiscal impact between the URA and the City. The budget allows for beginning of funding for a new Police Facility to begin in this calendar year.

A motion was made by Councilor Newland to approve Resolution No. 2021-15, seconded by Councilor Shankle. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

E. Resolution No. 2021-16: In Favor of Businesses and Citizens Liberties and Against COVID-19 Restrictions (Mayor Keyser)

A draft Resolution has been submitted by Council members Childress and Newland. (Draft A) Councilor Newland requested that Resolution 2021-16 reflect the following language:

“WHEREAS, We cannot make medical choices for our citizens, nor should we coerce them, we oppose creating a caste system in our state based upon the medical choices of our citizens, and”

Councilors unanimously agreed that the language should be added.

A motion was made by Councilor Newland to approve DRAFT B of Resolution No. 2021-16, seconded by Councilor Deller. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

GENERAL BUSINESS

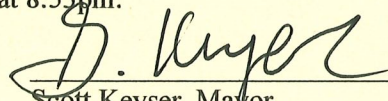
MAYOR, COUNCIL REPORTS, STAFF REPORTS

- Mr. Corthell directed Council to a copy of his Planning report.
- Mr. Fisher shared his Director’s Report with Council. (Both documents are listed on the City’s webpage)
- Ms. DeSantis thanked City Staff and Council for their help and patience with this evening’s meeting.
- Mr. Huff explained funding from the American Recovery Act to Council. He also stated that the rules are still being given. The City can use those funds for Capital Projects such as Water, Sewer, and Storm. Funds can also be used for broadband. Funds are not available for use on Street Maintenance or any sort of road repairs. If the City can prove a revenue loss of Gas Tax funds during the pandemic, we may have extra funds received to assist with road repairs.
- Councilor Deller had no report.
- Councilor Robles had no report.
- Councilor Newland thanked the audience for participating, and that providing Public Comment towards issues are how voices are heard.
- Councilor Shankle had no report.
- Council President Childress had no report.
- Councilor Klein had no report.
- Mayor Keyser asked Public Works Director Fisher to create a facts statement to be read at Council regarding OR211 and Molalla Avenue construction, that Mayor Keyser read into record. (Document posted on the City’s website.)

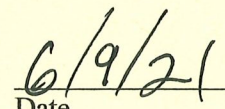
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“Molalla City Council Meetings”, May 26, 2021.

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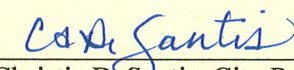
Mayor Keyser adjourned the meeting at 8:53pm.



Scott Keyser, Mayor



Date

ATTEST: 

Christie DeSantis, City Recorder