

Minutes of the Molalla City Council Work Session

Molalla Adult Community Center 315 Kennel Ave., Molalla, OR 97038 March 24, 2021

CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

The Molalla City Council Work Session of March 24, 2021 was called to order by Mayor Scott Keyser at 6:00pm.

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; Chaunee Seifried, Finance Director; Christie DeSantis, City Recorder.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilor Deller to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilor Shankle. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Budget Committee applicants were interviewed by Council, each individually. Applicants were asked questions about length of time living in Molalla, if they understood the purpose of Budget Committee, what sort of finance or budget experience they had, and if they could fulfill a 3-year term. Council will determine their decision at the regular City Council meeting.

Public Works Director Fisher held the fourth meeting of Transportation SDC's. Council has been discussing SDC's for several meetings, as they are trying to determine what they feel are appropriate fees for the City of Molalla.

Councilors are attempting to lower rates to developers, therefore considering which projects to remove from the current list.

Council had multiple questions about projects that would be considered ODOT's responsibility; specifically, upgrades and/or maintenance on Hwys. 211 and 213. Mr. Fisher and Mr. Huff explained that while it is ODOT's responsibility, there is not enough funding to be spread around the State. The City often works on projects with ODOT, in an effort to get things accomplished. They explained that projects will not get done if the City does not contribute on a financial level.

Mr. Huff and Mr. Fisher also explained that SDC's are based on any impact that is created to infrastructure. Molalla is at the beginning of a construction boom, with commercial and industrial growth.

Councilors had many questions regarding the impact of SDC's, the removal of projects, and how to best plan for what is to come. No decisions were made at this meeting. A follow-up conversation will take place on April 14, 2021.

ADJOURN

This meeting was adjourned by Mayor Scott Keyser at 7:08pm.

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ATTEST:

Christie Desantis City Recorder