



## Minutes of the Molalla City Council Meeting

Molalla Civic Center  
315 Kennel Ave., Molalla, OR 97038  
January 12, 2022

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Molalla City Council Meeting of January 12, 2022 was called to order by Mayor Scott Keyser at 7:00pm.

### **COUNCIL ATTENDANCE**

Present: Mayor Scott Keyser, Council President Leota Childress, Councilor Elizabeth Klein, Councilor Terry Shankle, Councilor Jody Newland, Councilor Crystal Robles, and Councilor Eric Vermillion.

### **STAFF IN ATTENDANCE**

Dan Huff, City Manager; Christie Teets, City Recorder; Dan Zinder, Senior Planner.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Meeting Minutes – December 22, 2021

*A motion was made by current Council President Childress to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilor Newland. Vote passed 6-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.*

### **PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CEREMONIES**

- A. Swearing – In: Councilor Eric Vermillion

Mayor Keyser administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed Councilor Eric Vermillion. Mayor Keyser welcomed him to City Council, and Councilor Vermillion took his seat at the dais.

- B. Council President Appointment

Council President Childress nominated Councilor Newland as this years Council President, Councilor Newland accepted the nomination.

*A motion was made by Council President Childress, seconded by Councilor Shankle. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.*

- C. Council Chamber Liaison Appointment

Council President Newland nominated Councilor Vermillion as the Chamber of Commerce liaison, he accepted.

*A motion was made by Council President Newland, seconded by Councilor Childress. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.*

- D. Council Library Liaison Appointment

*Councilor Robles made a motion to remain as Library liaison, seconded by Council President Newland. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.*

- E. Council Parks CPC Liaison Appointment

*A motion was made by Mayor Keyser for Council President Newland and Councilor Robles to continue as Parks CPC liaisons, seconded by Councilor Shankle. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.*

F. Council Police Facility CPC Liaison Appointment

*A motion was made by Mayor Keyser for Councilor Shankle and Council President Newland to continue as Police Facility CPC liaisons, seconded by Councilor Robles. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.*

G. Council Beautification & Culture CPC Liaison Appointment

*A motion was made by Mayor Keyser for Councilor Klein and Councilor Childress to serve as Beautification & Culture CPC liaisons, seconded by Council President Newland. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.*

H. Council C4 Liaison and Alternate Appointment

*Mayor Keyser announced that he will remain as the liaison to C4. A motion was made by Councilor Vermillion to serve as the alternate, Councilor Childress seconded. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.*

I. Planning Commission Appointment

Mayor Keyser reminded Council and audience that at our October 27, 2021 Council meeting, there was a tie vote for the Planning Commission seat between Mr. Clint Ancell and Mr. Michael Carr. The decision was made to table the appointment until Councilor Deller's vacancy was filed. We are again a seven member Council, and have invited applicants to this meeting.

City Recorder Teets received a message from Mr. Carr the day before, requesting his name be removed from consideration due to a previous monthly commitment. Therefore, there is one applicant remaining for the Planning Commission open seat to be considered. Mayor Keyser asked Council members if there were any further questions for Mr. Ancell.

Councilor Childress spoke to Mr. Ancell about a small business that he runs through his home, inquiring if he would be willing to obtain a Business License through the City, if elected. Mr. Ancell replied that if it was deemed necessary, he would.

*A motion was made by Councilor Vermillion to appoint Mr. Ancell to the Planning Commission, seconded by Council President Newland. Vote passed 7-0, with all Councilors voting Aye.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- A. Ordinance No. 2022-01: Annexing Tax Lots 52E08C 03500, 52E08C 03600, AND 52E08C 03700; A 16.50 Acre Territory, and Assigning an M-2 (Heavy Industrial) City Zoning Designation to the Annexed Territory

Senior Planner Zinder provided Council with a staff report that explained the property requesting to be Annexed, along with a description of the Zoning Use.

*Mayor Keyser opened the Public Hearing at 7:20pm.*

Mr. Lyle Stratton introduced himself for the developer on this property. He invited Council to ask questions, if they had any. Council did not have questions for Mr. Stratton and he thanked them for their time.

Council President Newland asked for clarification on the jurisdiction of Lowe Road, and whether it was City or County property. Mr. Zinder replied that Lowe Road is the City's jurisdiction.



*Mayor Keyser closed the Public Hearing at 7:22pm.*

Mayor Keyser noted to Council that line item 2 on Page 5 of the council packet needs to be omitted. The content directs the Council to make an improper motion to approve.

### **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

- A. Ordinance No. 2022-01: Annexing Tax Lots 52E08C 03500, 52E08C 03600, AND 52E08C 03700; A 16.50 Acre Territory, and Assigning an M-2 (Heavy Industrial) City Zoning Designation to the Annexed Territory

*A motion was made by Councilor Childress to adopt Ordinance No. 2022-01 by title only, seconded by Councilor Robles.*

Discussion took place with Councilor Klein asking for zoning clarification on this property, being listed as M-2, heavy industrial. Mr. Zinder explained that M-2 zoning is the only option for this property according to our Comprehensive Plan.

Mayor Keyser pointed to the map of the properties to be annexed, inquiring if the properties to the right of them would become an island. City Manager Huff and Mr. Zinder both replied no. The area listed in blue is not city property.

*Mayor Keyser called for the vote. Vote passed 6-1, therefore a Second Reading would not be held. Councilors voting Aye: Councilor Vermillion, Councilor Robles, Councilor Shankle, Councilor Klein, Councilor Childress, and Mayor Keyser. Councilor(s) voting Nay: Council President Newland.*

Council President Newland explained that her reason for voting “Nay” was not with regard to the applicant or zoning. She does not like that the State dictates the vote to cities.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

- A. Council Goal Setting Discussion

Mr. Huff reminded Council that this years Goal Setting Conference is rapidly approaching. We will meet on Saturday, January 29, 2022, from 8:00am-4:30pm.

### **STAFF COMMUNICATION**

- Senior Planner Zinder highlighted the Planning Report, including a housing analysis and affordable housing project.
- City Recorder Teets announced that there are two open seats on the Budget Committee. She plans to meet with Finance Director Seifried, create a packet of information, and prepare it for distribution
- City Manager Huff reminded Council that there are many new faces at City Hall and Public Works. We are almost through our hiring process. He also shared that maps have been installed in the new kiosks, and the digital reader board will be installed within the next few days.

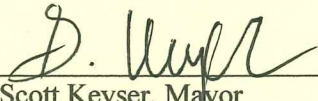
### **COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

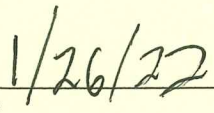
- Councilor Vermillion shared that he had met with Mr. Huff, Ms. Teets, and Chief Long recently. He plans to meet with other department directors as time allows. The remaining Council members gave him a warm welcome.
- Councilor Robles had nothing to report.
- Council President Newland announced that the next Parks CPC meeting will be held on February 1, 2022 at 5:00pm. The meeting will be held at the Civic Center.
- Councilor Shankle had nothing to report.
- Councilor Klein reported on the Beautification & Culture CPC meeting. She spoke about the new kiosks, and that there would be a “Call to Artists” for both adult and youth artists coming soon.
- Councilor Childress is very happy with the communication that the Molalla Current is providing.
- Mayor Keyser invited Council and staff to attend the Grand Reopening of Safeway Molalla. It is taking place on January 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am. He also requested that Council members provide him with their CPC meeting schedules.

For the complete video account of the City Council Meeting, please go to YouTube  
"Molalla City Council Meetings – January 12, 2022"

**ADJOURN**

Mayor Keyser adjourned the meeting at 7:40pm.

  
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Scott Keyser, Mayor

  
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Date

ATTEST:

  
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Christie Teets, City Recorder