



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES October 15, 2019

The scheduled meeting of the Ontario City Council was called to order by Mayor Riley Hill at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 15, 2019, in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Council members present were Riley Hill, Dan Capron, Norm Crume, Michael Braden, Freddy Rodriguez, Ramon Palomo, and Marty Justus.

Members of staff present were Adam Brown, Tori Barnett, Larry Sullivan, Terry Leighton, Kari Ott, Dan Cummings, Steven Romero, Peter Hall, Cliff Leeper, Jason Cooper, Betsy Roberts, Dave Walters, Sheri Smith, and Danielle Llamas.

The meeting was recorded and copies are available at City Hall.

Mayor Hill led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA

This Agenda was posted on October 11, 2019. Copies of the Agenda are available from the City Hall Customer Service Counter and on the city's website www.ontariooregon.org.

CRUME moved, CAPRON seconded, **TO ADOPT THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.**

BRADEN moved, JUSTUS seconded, **TO AMEND COUNCILOR CRUME'S MOTION TO DROP ITEM 7A FROM THE AGENDA.** Roll call vote: Crume-yes; Rodriguez-yes; Palomo-yes; Justus-yes; Capron-yes; Braden-yes; Hill-yes. Motion carried 7/0/0.

Vote on original motion: Roll call vote: Crume-yes; Rodriguez-yes; Palomo-yes; Justus-yes; Capron-yes; Braden-yes; Hill-yes. Motion carried 7/0/0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Eddy Thiel invited the Council to the upcoming Citizen's Coalition Forum, scheduled for October 30, 2019.

CONSENT AGENDA

CAPRON moved, PALOMO seconded, **TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA, WHICH INCLUDED SEPTEMBER 5, 2019, COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES; AND SEPTEMBER 17, 2019, COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES.** Roll call vote: Crume-yes; Rodriguez-yes; Palomo-yes; Justus-yes; Capron-yes; Braden-yes; Hill-yes. Motion carried 7/0/0.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Officer Danielle Llamas

Steven Romero, Police Chief, recognized Officer Danielle Llamas on her exceptional police work. Each year, Oregon Police Officer's Association recognized individuals in law enforcement who distinguished themselves or their agency in their profession for outstanding work in law enforcement. Officer Llamas had been nominated by her peer group, her supervisory staff, submitted, and had been selected. The award was a Life Saving Award. On July 28, 2019, at 2:49 am, officers were dispatched to the overpass on East Idaho Avenue and I-84 in response to a suicidal female, hanging over the edge of the overpass. Officer Llamas was able to create a rapport with the female, eventually convincing her to not jump off the bridge.

PRESENTATION**Revitalize Ontario! Utility Wrap Art and Murals**

Charlotte Fugate, Committee Member, stated they had formed a committee under the Revitalize umbrella, called Arts for Ontario. They were formed to begin the process of wrapping the utility boxes. They were hoping to get the first box wrapped within the next couple of weeks. They were also moving forward with murals on the side of buildings in the downtown area. The first painting was on the wall of Vintage Rose. She was asking the Council to consider the options for maintenance of the murals. They were also working on organizing the Tater Tot Festival, scheduled for November, 2020. They would be fundraising for the Gateway Arch on Idaho Avenue.

Councilor Justus would like to see the city put together some type of process for mural projects. He'd like the group to develop some guidelines the Council could pass outlining the process.

Mayor Hill asked the Council if there was interest in creating guidelines for murals.

Consensus to not create the guidelines at this time.

OLD BUSINESS**Resolution #2019-130: Airport Wastewater Extension**

Betsy Roberts, City Engineer, presented.

CRUME moved, CAPRON seconded, **THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONTRACT WITH JACOBS TO DO THE DESIGN OF THE SEWER LINE FOR THE AIPTOR WITH AN EXCEPTION TO COME BACK TO THE COUNCIL AT A LATER DATE TO MAKE A FINAL DECISION ON THE INDIVIDUAL LINES GOING TO EACH PROPERTY.** Roll call vote: Crume-yes; Rodriguez-yes; Palomo-yes; Justus-yes; Capron-yes; Braden-yes; Hill-yes. Motion carried 7/0/0.

CAPRON moved, CRUME seconded, **THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE RESOLUTION #2019-130, A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE AIRPORT WASTEWATER EXPANSION PROJECT.** Roll call vote: Crume-yes; Rodriguez-yes; Palomo-yes; Justus-yes; Capron-yes; Braden-yes; Hill-yes. Motion carried 7/0/0.

Resolution #2019-133: Sidewalk Installation on Alameda Drive between 8th and 11th Avenues

Adam Brown, City Manager, stated when this issue was presented at the previous meeting, he was not in attendance due to a conference. Subsequent to that, it was noted that some erroneous information was given to the Council. No action would be necessary, but he wanted the Council to have correct data. It needed to be clear that this project would be fully funded from the city's General Fund Contingency.

Airport Fiber Project

Adam Brown, City Manager, presented.

CAPRON moved, BRADEN seconded, **THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE SCOPE OF WORK WITH LS NETWORKS FOR A 60 MONTH CONTRACT AND THE MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE FIBER TO THE ONTARIO MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.** Roll call vote: Crume-yes; Rodriguez-yes; Palomo-yes; Justus-yes; Capron-yes; Braden-yes; Hill-yes. Motion carried 7/0/0.

Ordinance #2763-2019: Marijuana Employee Tax Amendment (1st Reading)

Adam Brown, City Manager, presented.

Mr. Sullivan stated if the Council wanted to preserve staff's ability to collect that fee from the one dispensary that has not yet paid, something should be added to the language which dealt with the effective date.

RODRIGUEZ moved, CAPRON seconded, **THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE ORDINANCE #2763-2019, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 3-24-4, 3-24-5, AND 3-24-6 OF CHAPTER 24 OF TITLE 3 OF THE ONTARIO MUNICIPAL CODE FOR COLLECTION OF THE RETAIL MARIJUANA TAX, ON FIRST READING BY TITLE ONLY.** Roll call vote: Crume-yes; Rodriguez-yes; Palomo-yes; Justus-yes; Capron-yes; Braden-yes; Hill-yes. Motion carried 7/0/0.

Council consensus to bring back the verbiage at the second reading with regard to the last two dispensaries that were open prior to the effective date of the ordinance would be required to pay the fee.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #2019-134: Bid Award ~ Camera Contract

Adam Brown, City Manager, presented.

CRUME moved, CAPRON seconded, **THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE RESOLUTION #2019-134, A RESOLUTION BUDGETING AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE CITY-WIDE CAMERA SECURITY PROJECT, AND AWARDING THE CONTRACT TO DAY WIRELESS FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF THE VERKADA CAMERA SOLUTION FOR \$83,779.94.** Roll call vote: Crume-yes; Rodriguez-yes; Palomo-yes; Justus-yes; Capron-yes; Braden-yes; Hill-yes. Motion carried 7/0/0.

DEPARTMENT HEAD UPDATE

Police Quarterly Report (Attached)

Steven Romero, Police Chief, presented.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

SRCI Water and Wastewater Contract

Adam Brown, City Manager, stated the city had been working on this project for quite a while. The city had presented a cost strategy to the Council, in that the city would use the same rate as used for the normal population. They developed a capital asset fee that would amortize the improvements or the maintenance of the facility over time, as well as the utility capitalization fund. With meeting with SRCI, they had backed away from the capitalization asset fund; they didn't want to go that route. The city's strategy was not currently working. SRCI wanted to shift more cost towards the city and more responsibility for those lines towards the city. The city needed to reassess their strategy with respect to taking on that liability. SRCI previously agreed through the temporary agreement that they were going to cover the cost for capital improvements and that the city shouldn't bear those costs. SRCI wanted to put the syphon repair into the next biennium budget, but they had backed off on taking responsibility for the maintenance of the line or anything that might come. The city needed to charge a premium for that transfer of burden.

CRUME moved, CAPRON seconded, **TO DIRECT STAFF TO PURSUE A DIFFERENT RATE STRATEGY FOR THE SRCI WATER AND WASTEWATER CONTRACT.** Roll call vote: Crume-yes; Rodriguez-yes; Palomo-yes; Justus-yes; Capron-yes; Braden-yes; Hill-yes. Motion carried 7/0/0.

HAND-OUTS

Check Register: Attached

September 13, 2019 → October 11, 2019

Mayor Hill asked why there had been two checks issued to the County Sheriff's Office instead of one.

Kari Ott, Finance Director, stated the city had not received the invoice for the second quarter of 2019, so AP called and requested it. That was the last quarter of the last fiscal year. The second was for the first quarter of the current fiscal year.

Councilor Rodriguez asked about the check to the Oregon Government Ethics Commission. What was that?

Mr. Brown stated it was the annual cost the city paid to have the Ethics Commission review the Statement of Economic Interest forms.

CORRESPONDENCE, COMMENTS, AND EX-OFFICIO REPORTS

- Councilor Crume stated they had been struggling with the wording in the ordinance with regard to trailer parking within the city. It would behoove them to have the City Manager and the Police Chief review that wording and improve it so that wasn't being interpreted in different ways by different people. The main issue was to put in some type of wording that the public understood that public streets were not meant for storage for trailers.

Mr. Brown stated he had already discussed it with Chief Romero and they were in agreement that the wording could be written better.

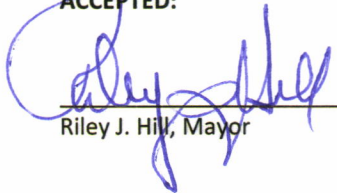
Chief Romero stated he was reviewing several different ordinances along those lines, looking for language that would be better suited. He had some suggestions that he would be sending over to the City Attorney for comments.

- Councilor Braden thanked city staff for their hard work. Having sat up on the Council dais for the past year, he saw the hours, dedication, and devotion that staff had for Ontario, and he wanted to just say thank you.

ADJOURN

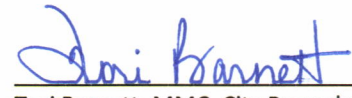
JUSTUS moved, CAPRON seconded, **THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED**. Roll call vote: Crume-yes; Rodriguez-yes; Palomo-yes; Justus-yes; Capron-yes; Braden-yes; Hill-yes. Motion carried 7/0/0. (7:56 p.m.)

ACCEPTED:



Riley J. Hill, Mayor

ATTEST



Tori Barnett, MMC, City Recorder