

April 2, 2012
Noon
Newport, Oregon

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Councilors present: McConnell, Beemer, Roumagoux, Sawyer, and Brusselback. Allen and Bertuleit arrived soon after the meeting began.

Staff present: Voetberg, Hawker, Tokos, Gross, and Marshall. Also present was Christy Monson, City Attorney. Dave Morgan, from News Lincoln County attended the work session.

Council discussed the following items:

1. MOTION was made by Beemer, seconded by Brusselback, to enter executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(h) to consult with legal counsel. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote, and Council entered executive session at 12:02 P.M.
2. MOTION was made by Brusselback, seconded by Roumagoux, to return to the City Council Work Session. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote, and Council returned to its work session at 12:55 P.M.
3. A brief discussion ensued regarding the revision of the public contracting rules. Voetberg updated Council on the history of this revision, and Gross reported that he has nearly completed his review of the draft. Monson noted that her office has developed a set of public contracting rules that is updated periodically. A discussion ensued regarding guidelines that should be included with the public contracting rules, including issues such as sustainability and purchasing guidelines and local preference. It was agreed that the revision would be completed and presented to Council by July 1, 2012.
4. A discussion ensued regarding the South Beach Neighborhood Plan and future work in South Beach. Tokos noted that the Coho/Brant process is underway. He added that the South Beach Neighborhood Plan was adopted as an element of the Comprehensive Plan. He noted that it does not address a common design theme/element for South Beach. Further discussion ensued regarding the TSP and its relationship to the South Beach Neighborhood Plan and the Coho/Brant work. It was agreed to continue through the process, and determine a direction at a later date.
5. McConnell reported that staff had distributed a letter from Bill Hall regarding vehicle camping. It was noted that he would attend the next Council meeting to discuss this issue.
6. McConnell noted that the next Town Hall meeting would be held on April 30, at the Longview Hills Clubhouse. He added that the agenda would be mailed to residents and will include a map. The first hour will be devoted to a City Council tour, with the meeting beginning at 7:00 P.M.

7. McConnell distributed an article about Newport that appeared in the Oregon Mayor's Association newsletter.
8. McConnell distributed a proclamation on corporate personhood and noted that everyone in support could sign it at the next meeting, or if the Council, as a whole, supported it, he would issue the proclamation.
9. McConnell noted that he would attend the upcoming City Center Newport Association meeting. He added that this group would like an update on the Deco Park plans.
10. Bertuleit reported that the Nye Beach Merchants Association is not holding a clambake this year. He suggested this would be a good event for another non-profit.
11. Voetberg explained that the first hour of this evening's meeting is reserved for a discussion regarding water, wastewater, and stormwater fees.

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:42 P.M.