

July 10, 2013
10:00 A.M.
Newport, Oregon

The City Council of the City of Newport met in a Special Meeting, on the above date, in Conference Room A of the Newport City Hall. Allen, Roumagoux, Sawyer, and Busby were present. Swanson, Beemer, and Saelens were excused.

Staff attending was as follows: Smith, Hawker, City Attorney Christy Monson, and Todd Lyon, of Barran Liebman (via telephone).

Also in attendance was Dave Morgan from News Lincoln County and Larry Coonrod from the Newport News-Times.

Allen noted that the executive session scheduled for today should be cited under ORS 192.660(2)(f), to discuss records which are exempt from public disclosure, and that the records are exempt public records under ORS 192.502(9)(a). He added that both citations should be used for this meeting.

Allen asked for clarification on the role of Todd Lyons from Barran Liebman. He asked what services Lyons provided. Monson reported that it would not have been appropriate for her firm to conduct a personnel investigation that involved three members of the City Council as she works for the Council. She added that she talked with CIS, and CIS requested that the city obtain outside counsel based on the city's number of employee claims. Lyons stated that he has experience in conducting these types of investigations, and that tight parameters were used during this investigation. He added that an associate conducted the investigation, he (Lyons) read the investigation report, conferred with Monson, and made legal recommendations.

During the course of a regularly scheduled and noticed Special Meeting of the City Council, MOTION was made by Allen, seconded by Sawyer, to enter executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(f) to discuss exempt public records which are exempt public records under ORS 192.502(9)(a) and pertaining to airport-related personnel investigations. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote, and Council entered executive session at 10:07 A.M.

MOTION was made by Sawyer, seconded by Busby, to leave executive session. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote, and Council returned to its Special Meeting at 11:13 A.M.

A discussion ensued regarding the recruitment of a Finance Director. Smith recommended that he be given the authority to recruit an Interim Finance Director, adding that there are several financial projects looming, including: preparation of next year's budget; the Infrastructure Task Force; the swimming pool General Obligation bond; and South Beach URA funding. It was noted that hiring a permanent Finance Director at this

time might limit the applicant pool as the applicants may want to know who they will be working for, and without a permanent City Manager, this is an unknown. MOTION was made by Allen, seconded by Busby, to give the Interim City Manager the ability to proceed with hiring an Interim Finance Director, and returning to the City Council to approve the selection. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote.

It was noted that a Special Council meeting may be need on Thursday, July 18, 2013, at 5:00 P.M. regarding the Runway 16/34 Rehabilitation Project. Smith explained the need for the meeting.

Roumagoux asked that the recommended Council training be scheduled at a work session in the near future. Monson and Hawker will schedule the training.

Margaret M. Hawker, City Recorder

Sandra N. Roumagoux, Mayor