

The Council of the City of Grants Pass met in regular session on the above date with Mayor Fowler presiding. The following Councilors were present: Anderson, Eames, Flaming, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Sharp. Also present and representing the City were City Manager Cubic, Assistant City Manager Reeves, City Attorney Bartholomew, Finance Director Meredith, Public Safety Director Landis, Parks & Community Development Director Glover, Public Works Director Canady and City Recorder Frerk. Absent: Councilor Lindsay.

Mayor Fowler opened the meeting and led the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

Councilor Eames reported that the Urban Area Planning Commission approved a variance for a three-lot minor partition off of NE 10th Street. The lots are offset less than 260 feet from an intersection - where Hefley goes into NE 10th Street - requiring a variance to put that street in or move it 260 feet out. It's going to be a private drive for three homes.

Councilor Lovelace reported that the Parks Advisory Board is planning a memorial for Judy Reinhart at Reinhart Volunteer Park. The board reviewed plans for a structure at Riverside Park. She also reported that the Tourism Advisory Committee Chair and staff liaison attended the Travel Southern Oregon Symposium, and she attended the Oregon Department of Transportation's Caveman Bridge open house.

Councilor Roler reported that he attended the Southern Oregon Regional Economic Development Inc. meeting and learned that Rogue Valley Door bought 16 acres in Spalding Industrial Park. The meeting also featured the Taylor family of Taylor Sausage in the Illinois Valley and an advertising program they will be in called The Edge.

Councilor Flaming attended the Grants Pass School District 7 Board meeting. Principals reported on their schools, clubs and achievements. Lincoln Elementary reported it is involved in the ACES (Adverse Childhood Experience Study) program. This program will study how adverse experiences affect these children as they grow into adulthood. Behavioral incidences are on the rise in District 7. It is hopeful the study will help the school district to intervene early.

Bikeways and Walkways Committee discussed pedestrian safety issues in the Midland/Hawthorne area. There is more vehicle traffic in that area due to the surgery center, medical offices and DHS building. He also reported the Ride the Rogue event is September 23.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

3. PUBLIC HEARING

Quasi-judicial

- a. Appeal of the of the Hearings Officer's decision to approve the Major Site Plan Review for the Taprock Hotel Expansion.

Jon Bowen, Travel Grants Pass, spoke in favor of affirming the Hearings Officer's decision.

Ben Freudenberg, 600 NW 5th Street, Markus Hunt, 327 SE Rogue View Lane, Deborah Ward, 321 SE Rogue View Lane, and Arden McConnell, 961 SE 8th Street, spoke against the Hearings Officer's decision.

Councilor Lovelace moved and Councilor Riker seconded to affirm the Hearings Officer's decision to approve the Major Site Plan Review for the Taprock Hotel Expansion with the following amended conditions:

1. Applicant shall install a walkway between the shared parking on the Hamilton House lot to the hotel, to include lighting of the pedestrian access way.
2. The change of use for the convention center shall be for the exclusive use of the hotel patrons and their guest.
3. Delete the Hearings Officer's condition requiring a 35 ft. building height limitation. The new structure may be built to the height of 41 ft. as reflected on the submitted building elevations.

Councilor Eames moved and Councilor Riker seconded to amend the motion to change "guest" to "guests."

Councilor Lovelace moved and Councilor Riker seconded to affirm the Hearings Officer's decision to approve the Major Site Plan Review for the Taprock Hotel Expansion with the following amended conditions:

1. Applicant shall install a walkway between the shared parking on the Hamilton House lot to the hotel, to include lighting of the pedestrian access way.
2. The change of use for the convention center shall be for the exclusive use of the hotel patrons and their guests.
3. Delete the Hearings Officer's condition requiring a 35 ft. building height limitation. The new structure may be built to the height of 41 ft. as reflected on the submitted building elevations.

The vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Anderson, Eames, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Sharp. "Nays": Flaming. Abstain: None. Absent: Lindsay. The motion passed.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilor Flaming requested that item 4.d. be discussed. Council decided to keep item 4.d. on the Consent Agenda.

- a. Resolution establishing the interest rate to be applied during calendar year 2017 to deferred development agreement monies on deposit.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-6515

Councilor Roler moved and Councilor Lovelace seconded that Resolution 17-6515 be adopted and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Anderson, Eames, Flaming, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Sharp. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: Lindsay. The resolution is adopted.

- b. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract extension for Water Meter Reading Services.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-6516

Councilor Roler moved and Councilor Lovelace seconded that Resolution 17-6516 be adopted and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Anderson, Eames, Flaming, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Sharp. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: Lindsay. The resolution is adopted.

- c. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to provide advance deposit to ODOT for lighting improvements related to the Caveman Bridge Rehab Project.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-6517

Councilor Roler moved and Councilor Lovelace seconded that Resolution 17-6517 be adopted and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Anderson, Eames, Flaming, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Sharp. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: Lindsay. The resolution is adopted.

- d. Resolution authorizing a street closure for the Southern Oregon Misfits 6th Annual Car Show.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-6518

Councilor Roler moved and Councilor Lovelace seconded that Resolution 17-6518 be adopted and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Anderson, Eames, Flaming, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Sharp. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: Lindsay. The resolution is adopted.

- e. Motion approving the Finding of Fact for the Redwood Towers change of use minor site plan review/adult use appeal of the Director's decision of denial.

Councilor Roler moved and Councilor Lovelace seconded to approve the Finding of Fact for the Redwood Towers change of use minor site plan review/adult use appeal of the Director's decision of denial and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Anderson, Eames, Flaming, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Sharp. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: Lindsay. The motion passed.

- f. Motion approving the minutes of the City Council meeting of March 1, 2017.

Councilor Roler moved and Councilor Lovelace seconded to approve the minutes of the City Council meeting of March 1, 2017 and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes":

Anderson, Eames, Flaming, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Sharp. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: Lindsay. The motion passed.

g. Motion acknowledging the minutes of the Performance Audit, Visioning and Enhancement Committee meeting of December 13, 2016.

Councilor Roler moved and Councilor Lovelace seconded to acknowledge the minutes of the Performance Audit, Visioning and Enhancement Committee meeting of December 13, 2016 and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Anderson, Eames, Flaming, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Sharp. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: Lindsay. The motion passed.

h. Motion acknowledging the minutes of the Performance Audit, Visioning and Enhancement Committee meeting of December 14, 2016.

Councilor Roler moved and Councilor Lovelace seconded to acknowledge the minutes of the Performance Audit, Visioning and Enhancement Committee meeting of December 14, 2016 and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Anderson, Eames, Flaming, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Sharp. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: Lindsay. The motion passed.

i. Motion acknowledging the minutes of the Performance Audit, Visioning and Enhancement Committee meeting of December 21, 2016.

Councilor Roler moved and Councilor Lovelace seconded to acknowledge the minutes of the Performance Audit, Visioning and Enhancement Committee meeting of December 21, 2016 and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Anderson, Eames, Flaming, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Sharp. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: Lindsay. The motion passed.

j. Motion acknowledging the minutes of the Urban Tree Advisory Committee meeting of December 12, 2016.

Councilor Roler moved and Councilor Lovelace seconded to acknowledge the minutes of the Urban Tree Advisory Committee meeting of December 12, 2016 and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Anderson, Eames, Flaming, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Sharp. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: Lindsay. The motion passed.

k. Motion acknowledging the minutes of the Parks Advisory Board meeting of January 12, 2017.

Councilor Roler moved and Councilor Lovelace seconded to acknowledge the minutes of the Parks Advisory Board meeting of January 12, 2017 and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Anderson, Eames, Flaming, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Sharp. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: Lindsay. The motion passed.

l. Motion acknowledging the minutes of the Bikeways and Walkways Committee meeting of January 10, 2017.

Councilor Roler moved and Councilor Lovelace seconded to acknowledge the minutes of the Bikeways and Walkways meeting meeting of January 10, 2017 and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Anderson, Eames, Flaming, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Sharp. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: Lindsay. The motion passed.

5. APPOINTMENTS

- a. Appoint three members to the Tourism Advisory Committee.

Councilor Flaming moved and Councilor Lovelace seconded to appoint Tamara Bushnell, Wynniss Grow and Damion Trovato to the Tourism Advisory Committee and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Anderson, Eames, Flaming, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Sharp. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: Lindsay. The motion passed.

6. COUNCIL ACTION

- a. Resolution authorizing the City Manager to contribute funds to Greater Grants Pass Rotary Club for a Balloon Festival.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-6519

Councilor Lovelace moved and Councilor Eames seconded to contribute \$20,000 in Transient Room Tax funds to the Greater Grants Pass Rotary Club for a Balloon Festival.

Councilor Flaming moved and Councilor Riker seconded to amend the motion to change the agreement to require 100% of the profit, up to \$20,000, go to the festival's reserve for the following year and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Anderson, Eames, Flaming, Riker and Sharp. "Nays": Lovelace and Roler. Abstain: None. Absent: Lindsay. The motion passed.

Councilor Roler moved and Councilor Riker seconded to extend the meeting past 9 p.m. and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Anderson, Eames, Flaming, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Sharp. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: Lindsay. The motion passed.

Councilor Lovelace moved and Councilor Eames seconded to contribute \$20,000 in Transient Room Tax funds to the Greater Grants Pass Rotary Club for a Balloon Festival and the vote resulted as follows: "Ayes": Anderson, Eames, Flaming, Lovelace, Riker, Roler and Sharp. "Nays": None. Abstain: None. Absent: Lindsay. The resolution is adopted.

7. MATTERS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL AND STAFF:

- a. Review Mayor/Council emails.

None.

b. Committee motions.

None.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

9. ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Fowler adjourned the meeting at 9:09 p.m.

The ordinances, resolutions and motions contained herein and the accompanying votes have been verified by:



City Recorder