



**CITY OF PRINEVILLE**  
**Regular Meeting Brief**  
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**City Council Meeting Brief**  
**April 14, 2020**

**Council Members Present:**

Gail Merritt

Teresa Rodriguez

Janet Hutchison

Steve Uffelman

Patricia Jungmann

Jason Beebe

Jeff Papke

**Council Members Absent**

None.

**Additions to the Agenda**

Item No. 7 under Resolution has been removed.

**Consent Agenda**

1. Regular Meeting Brief 3-24-2020
2. Special Meeting Brief 4-7-2020

Councilor Hutchison explained that her call dropped and she was unable to vote for the last two votes on March 24, 2020.

**Councilor Merritt made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion, motion carried.**

**Visitors, Appearances and Requests:**

**Public Appearances**

Mayor read a public comment received from Karen Hahn Curci regarding her concern of the shutdown of local businesses into the record.

**3. Third Street Access Plan Update – Mike Darling – ODOT**

Mike Darling, explained that he last visited with council on February 25, 2020 about things coming down the pike. He is back to remind everyone where we are in the process. The notice on methodology went out certified mail, and comments were received. Mr. Darling explained

that they will put comments into methodology and go from there and look at each approach, as well as many other scenarios in the strategy and will come back to council with that. ODOT is interested in comments and suggestions as part of process to go through for strategy.

Councilor Hutchison had questions regarding comments received and if it was positive. Mr. Darling replied that one was they were confused on the process. There were good comments and suggestions regarding making it more normal and less governmental and nothing real negative.

Mayor Uffelman talked about access restrictions. Mr. Darling stated that would not necessarily be the case, and referred back to criteria. Looking at each property, what permits say, and what is happening as traffic moves through.

Discussions continued regarding bicycle access/traveling, time frame, hoping for Access Strategy Management plan by late summer, project area, improvements at Combs Flat Road and Lynn Boulevard, if anything can be done about Knowledge Street at Third Street, and number of accesses already permitted.

Mr. Darling stated he will be circling back with Council in about a month.

### **Council Business**

#### **4. Consideration of a Proclamation – Older Americans Month – Councilor Merritt**

Councilor Merritt provided the background information. Councilor Merritt explained that we have a large number of over 65 population, adding that the Council on Aging has a lot of services for our seniors and feels it would be a good thing to do.

No comments or concerns.

Council agreed to read the proclamation at the April 28<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

#### **5. Consideration of the Sale of Real Property – Eric Klann**

Eric Klann, City Engineer wanted to get input from Council on property the city owns, and provided a short history on the property including the city putting in utilities. This is the one remaining city owned property in the industrial park. Mr. Klann went through a power point presentation and explained the city has an interested buyer recently. Jered Reid, City Attorney explained the Oregon Revised Statute and public hearing required if council is interested in selling.

Mayor Uffelman talked about people who have looked at over the years for various purposes, and no one made an offer.

Jered summarized the process for the recommended motion to approve moving forward.

**Councilor Rodriguez made a motion to approve public hearing to move forward with sale. Motion seconded. Discussion on reference to the recommended motion.**

**Councilor Rodriguez made a motion to withdraw first motion. Motion seconded to withdraw.**

**Councilor Rodriguez made a motion that it is convenient to sell real property identified as Map No. 1515-12B, Tax Lot 001700, on SW Cessna Drive, Prineville, Oregon, and that a public hearing be scheduled and appropriately noticed. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. All in favor, motion carried.**

There were discussions about the public hearing procedure since we are conducting meetings by telephone. Mr. Reid explained the legal process for a public hearing and methods of making comments. It would require written comments and the submitter would have to disclose name and address to be considered for the record.

### **Staff Reports and Requests:**

#### **6. COVID – 19 Update / Discussion – Mayor Uffelman**

Discussions included: concern that not enough people are being tested; hearing of people having all the symptoms but can't get tested unless admitted to hospital; snowbirds coming back from hotspots with possibly bringing back the virus, and recommendations to self-quarantine for 14 days; parks and national parks should have plenty of room to meet social distancing in the larger outdoor recreation areas and should be open; not knowing what the magic answer is to people's concerns; decisions should be based on science, not on feelings and how to balance that; recognizing that not every decision is going to be perfect; this being a mess for many small businesses.

Mayor Uffelman asked Council what at the local level should be done.

Discussions continued regarding this being taken up at the state level; how to speed up the opening of businesses; how we can help businesses that will go under; what is the definition of essential; looking at each business individually with actual safety protocol that they have developed to be open; available testing concerns and asking St. Charles CEO attend our next meeting.

#### **7. Manager's Report**

Steve Forrester, City Manager reported: City projects are continuing under social distancing guidelines and provided a summary of those projects that will be part of the Mayor's Message this Friday.

Mr. Forrester continued with talking about a financial bridge on a local level and has been working with local leaders to form a COVID-19 taskforce. The Task Force will be forwarding a recommendation and asking council for funding. We talked with Liz, and there is funding that

we can repurpose from other typical funding in budget that isn't getting spent right now. Be looking for that in the future, and will bring back to council.

There were no questions.

**Committee Reports**

There were no reports.

**Ordinances:**

None.

**Resolutions:**

None.

**Visitors Appearances and Requests:**

There were no other written comments submitted to enter into the record.

**Adjourn**

**Councilor Rodriguez made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. All in favor, motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

**Motions and Outcomes:**

Motion:	Outcome	Beebe	Hutchison	Jungmann	Merritt	Papke	Rodriguez	Uffelman
Consent Agenda as Amended	PASSED	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
That it is Convenient to Sell Real Property Identified as Map No. 1515-12B, Tax Lot 001700, on SW Cessna Drive, Prineville, Oregon, and That a Public Hearing be Scheduled and Appropriately Noticed	PASSED	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Adjourn Meeting	PASSED	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

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