

COUNCIL WORK SESSION

MINUTES

JANUARY 17, 2023

City Hall Council Chambers, 10722 SE Main Street

& Zoom Video Conference (www.milwaukieoregon.gov)

Council Present: Councilors Adam Khosroabadi, Robert Massey, and Rebecca Stavenjord, Council President

Desi Nicodemus, and Mayor Lisa Batey

Joseph Briglio, Community Development Director Staff Present:

Justin Gericke, City Attorney Kelly Brooks, Assistant City Manager Nicole Madigan, Deputy City Recorder

Mandy Byrd, Development Project Manager Ann Ober, City Manager Dan Harris, Events & Emergency Management Scott Stauffer, City Recorder

Coordinator

Mayor Batey called the meeting to order at 3:59 p.m.

1. Winter Events Debrief and 2023 Events Preview - Discussion

Harris summarized what the Umbrella Parade and Tree Lighting event is, acknowledged event staff and community partners, pointed out changes from previous years, and touched on what 2023 may hold for the event. Mayor Batey and Harris pointed out that the 2023 Umbrella Parade and Tree Lighting would take place on December 2. Councilor Khosroabadi commended Councilor Nicodemus for their part in the event.

Harris reviewed the 2022 Winter Solstice event by sharing why the event occurs on the third Saturday of December, noting the 2023 event would occur on December 16, thanking the community partners without whom the event could not occur, explaining traffic flow changes that would need to be made for 2023, sharing attendance stats, and noting the inclusion of stationary fire sculptures. Mayor Batey and Harris discussed the fire sculptures and managing the number of attendees.

Harris shared the city's five signature events for 2023 and expanded on tentative plans for Carefree Sunday. Councilor Khosroabadi, Harris, and Mayor Batey shared ideas on consultants for the event. Harris suggested an extended route option beyond the planned event that could take advantage of the city's greenways but would not be closed to vehicle traffic. Mayor Batey expressed interest in the extended bike route and noted the event is for more than just bicyclists. Mayor Batey and Harris discussed Carefree Sunday event fundraising efforts.

The group discussed tree lighting options, who retains the current tree once the current city hall is sold, and how power for lights will be accessed once the building is sold.

Councilor Stavenjord thanked staff for their work during the Winter Solstice.

2. North Clackamas Watersheds Council (NCWC) - Annual Report

Neil Schulman, NCWC Executive Director, shared background information on NCWC, provided history on the Kellogg Creek Dam removal and restoration project, advised what the goals for the project were, and a timeline of the phases of the project. Schulman presented the project's next steps with project partners, advised where construction funding would be coming from, explained the need for cooperation and coordination from city of Milwaukie leadership and city staff from several departments as well as external government agencies.

Schulman shared watershed priority projects for the city as outlined in NCWC's the North Clackamas Watersheds Action Plan. **Schulman** explained that NCWC would be available and interested in working with the city in developing natural area plans and systems should the city decide to leave the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District (NCPRD).

Councilor Massey, Schulman, and **Mayor Batey** discussed how fish would not need to be reintroduced to Kellogg Creek after the removal and restoration project was completed. **Schulman** shared vegetation barrier plans meant to address concerns from landowners adjacent to the planned restored creek area.

Councilor Stavenjord asked what opportunities would be available for youth to get involved in the Kellogg Creek project and **Schulman** shared how NCWC had, before COVID, partnered with Milwaukie High School (MHS) and explained that NCWC has plans for the project to involve people of all ages and was looking to start community engagement in April or May.

Mayor Batey and Schulman noted the next NCWC meeting and what would be discussed.

3. Adjourn

Mayor Batey announced that after the meeting Council would meet in executive session pursuant to Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 192.660(e) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions.

Mayor Batey adjourned the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Madigan, Deputy City Recorder