



## COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

City Hall Council Chambers, 10722 SE Main Street  
& Zoom Video Conference ([www.milwaukieoregon.gov](http://www.milwaukieoregon.gov))

2379<sup>th</sup> Meeting

## MINUTES

APRIL 18, 2023

**Council Present:** Councilors Adam Khosroabadi, Robert Massey, Rebecca Stavenjord, and Council President Desi Nicodemus, and Mayor Lisa Batey

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| <b>Staff Present:</b> Justin Gericke, City Attorney | Natalie Rogers, Climate & Natural Resources Manager |
| Brent Husher, Library Director                      | Scott Stauffer, City Recorder                       |
| Vera Kolas, Senior Planner                          | Jason Wachs, Community Engagement Coordinator       |
| Toby LaFrance, Finance Director                     | Laura Weigel, Planning Manager                      |
| Ann Ober, City Manager                              |   |

**Mayor Batey** called the meeting to order at 5:59 p.m.

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

**A. Pledge of Allegiance.**

**B. Native Lands Acknowledgment.**

### 2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Mayor Batey** announced upcoming activities including Earth Day events, a prescription drug drop-off and paper shredding event, a city manager open door session, and the annual Friends of the Ledding Library plant sale.

### 3. PROCLAMATIONS AND AWARDS

#### **A. 2022 Volunteer of the Year – Award**

**Wachs** and **Mayor Batey** reviewed the award nomination process and introduced the 2022 Volunteer of the Year Liz Start. **Start** expressed appreciation for the award and the Milwaukie community. Council thanked Start for their community volunteer work.

#### **B. Milwaukie Farmers Market 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Proclamation**

**Melanie Bennett**, Celebrate Milwaukie, Inc. (CMI), introduced the proclamation and remarked on the market's history and value to the community. **Mayor Batey** proclaimed May 2023 to be the market's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration season.

#### **C. Earth Day – Proclamation**

**Rogers** introduced the proclamation and remarked on the city's climate-related work and Earth Day event. **Mayor Batey** proclaimed May 2023 to be the market's anniversary recognition month.

#### **D. National Library Week – Proclamation**

**Husher** introduced the proclamation and remarked on the importance of libraries. **Mayor Batey** proclaimed April 23-29, 2023, to be National Library Week in Milwaukie.

### 4. SPECIAL REPORTS

**A. None Scheduled.**

## **5. COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

**Mayor Batey** reviewed the comment procedures and **Stauffer** noted that two pieces of correspondence had been received. No audience member wished to address Council. **Ober** reported there was no follow-up from the April 4 comments and that a topic from a previous comment period would be on the June 13 Council retreat agenda.

## **6. CONSENT AGENDA**

It was moved by Council President Nicodemus and seconded by Councilor Khosroabadi to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

### **A. City Council Meeting Minutes:**

1. March 7, 2023, work session,
2. March 7, 2023, regular session,
3. March 14, 2023, study session,
4. March 21, 2023, work session,
5. March 21, 2023, regular session, and
6. April 3, 2023, site visit.

**B. An Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission (OLCC) application for Wong’s Garden, 10820 SE Oak Street – Full On-Premises Sales.**

**C. An OLCC application for Wagon with the Dragon, 11301 SE 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue – Limited Off-Premises Sales.**

**D. Adoption of an Audit Report Correction Plan – Motion.**

Motion passed with the following vote: Councilors Khosroabadi, Massey, Nicodemus, and Stavenjord and Mayor Batey voting “aye.” [5:0]

## **7. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**A. None Scheduled.**

## **8. PUBLIC HEARING**

### **A. Minor Housekeeping Code Amendments – Ordinance**

Call to Order: **Mayor Batey** called the continued public hearing on the proposed amendments to the code, file #ZA-2023-001, to order at 6:44 p.m.

Purpose: **Mayor Batey** announced that the purpose of the hearing was to take public comment on the proposed housekeeping code amendments.

Conflict of Interest: No Council member declared a conflict of interest.

Staff Presentation: **Kolias** provided an overview of the housekeeping project timeline and reviewed the proposed code amendments. **Mayor Batey** and **Kolias** noted minor edits to the ordinance text and confirmed the amendments would not change off-street parking standards. **Councilor Stavenjord** thanked staff for revising the amendments.

Correspondence: No correspondence on the code amendments had been received.

Audience Testimony: No audience member addressed Council on the amendments.

Continue Hearing: It was moved by Councilor Khosroabadi and seconded by Councilor Stavenjord to close the public testimony part of the housekeeping code amendments hearing. Motion passed with the following vote: Councilors Khosroabadi, Massey, Nicodemus, and Stavenjord and Mayor Batey voting “aye.” [5:0]

**Mayor Batey** closed the public hearing at 6:57 p.m.

Council Discussion: There was no further Council discussion.

Council Decision: It was moved by Council President Nicodemus and seconded by Councilor Stavenjord for the first and second readings by title only and adoption of the ordinance amending Municipal Code Title 14 Signs, Title 17 Land Division, Title 19 Zoning, and the Zoning Map to make minor changes to select sections for the purpose of clarification and improved effectiveness (File #ZA-2023-001), with the amendments to the findings noted by staff. Motion passed with the following vote: Councilors Khosroabadi, Massey, Nicodemus, and Stavenjord and Mayor Batey voting “aye.” [5:0]

**Ober** read the ordinance two times by title only.

**Stauffer** polled the Council with Councilors Khosroabadi, Massey, Nicodemus, and Stavenjord and Mayor Batey voting “aye.” [5:0]

**Ordinance 2229:**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MILWAUKIE, OREGON, AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 14 SIGNS, TITLE 17 LAND DIVISION, TITLE 19 ZONING, AND THE ZONING MAP TO MAKE MINOR CHANGES TO SELECT SECTIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CLARIFICATION AND IMPROVED EFFECTIVENESS (FILE #ZA-2023-001).**

## **9. COUNCIL REPORTS**

### **A. Council Goals Adoption – Resolution**

Council discussed the adoption of three proposed goals: climate action; equity, justice, and inclusion; and parks. There was Council consensus to keep equity, justice, and inclusion and climate action as goals.

**Mayor Batey** provided an overview of where the city was in possibly leaving the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District (NCPRD). **Batey, Council President Nicodemus,** and **Councilor Massey** expressed support for keeping parks as a goal.

**Councilor Khosroabadi** suggested the city’s climate goal be given benchmarks to review its goal status and **Ober** confirmed staff would set benchmarks. **Khosroabadi** supported the parks work and noted continued concern about making parks a goal now.

**Councilor Stavenjord** supported keeping parks as a goal and thanked Councilor Khosroabadi for expressing concern about affordable housing. **Councilor Khosroabadi** acknowledged that Council took housing affordability seriously.

**Mayor Batey** summarized that there was a Council majority support for the parks goal.

It was moved by Council President Nicodemus and seconded by Councilor Massey to approve the resolution adopting Council Goals for 2023 and 2024. Motion passed with the following vote: Councilors Massey, Nicodemus, and Stavenjord and Mayor Batey voting “aye,” and Councilor Khosroabadi voting “no.” [4:1]

**Resolution 21-2023:**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MILWAUKIE, OREGON, ADOPTING COUNCIL GOALS FOR 2023 AND 2024.**

**Ober** remarked on next steps staff will take to implement Council’s adopted goals and the group noted that Council would work on editing a drafted cover letter to accompany the Council goals resolution.

**B. ~~Legislative and Regional Issues – Discussion~~** (removed from the agenda)

**Council Reports**

**Councilor Stavenjord** reported on the work of the Clackamas County Coordinating Committee (C4). **Mayor Batey** and **Ober** noted scheduled work that the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) would be doing on Highway 224.

**Councilor Stavenjord** noted the upcoming C4 Retreat and the group commented on who planned to attend the retreat. **Stavenjord** reported on the work of the C4 Metro Subcommittee, the Homeless Services Coalition of Clackamas County, the county's housing services board, and the county's public health advisory committee.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by **Council President Nicodemus** and seconded by **Councilor Khosroabadi** to adjourn the Regular Session. Motion passed with the following vote: **Councilors Khosroabadi, Massey, Nicodemus, and Stavenjord and Mayor Batey** voting "aye." [5:0]

**Mayor Batey** adjourned the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Scott Stauffer, City Recorder