



COUNCIL WORK SESSION

City Hall Council Chambers, 10501 SE Main Street
& Zoom Video Conference (www.milwaukieoregon.gov)

MINUTES

DECEMBER 5, 2023

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

Staff Present: Emma Sagor, Assistant City Manager
Jennifer Garbely, City Engineer
Justin Gericke, City Attorney
Dan Harris, Events & Emergency Management Coordinator
Ann Ober, City Manager
Tessie Prentice, Associate Engineer
Scott Stauffer, City Recorder

Council President Nicodemus announced that before the work session Council would meet in executive session pursuant to Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 192.660 (2)(o) to consider matters relating to the safety of the governing body and of public body staff and volunteers and the security of public body facilities and meeting spaces.

Council President Nicodemus called the meeting to order at 4:37 p.m.

1. Public Works Standards Update – Discussion

Garbely reviewed proposed updates to the city’s Public Works Standards, explaining that Council would be asked to adopt the updated Standards in January 2024. It was noted that the Downtown and Riverfront Public Area Requirements (DRPAR) part of the Standards had been superseded by newer sections of the Milwaukie Municipal Code (MMC) and traffic regulations.

Councilor Khosroabadi and **Prentice** noted the Standards did not reference recycling cans alongside garbage cans and they agreed staff should look at adding recycling cans.

The group remarked on whether the DRPAR document still needed to exist given its regulations had been incorporated elsewhere. **Mayor Batey** expressed support for adding recycling cans with garbage cans.

Councilor Stavenjord, **Prentice**, and **Garbely** noted the Standards included language that allowed staff to update them without Council approval and that staff was seeking Council approval for these changes because of the proposal to repeal the DRPAR.

It was Council consensus that staff should bring the revised Public Work Standards for Council adoption in January.

2. Kellogg Creek Grant Update – Discussion

Neil Schulman, North Clackamas Watersheds Council (NCWC) executive director, reported on the Kellogg Creek dam removal project, noting project goals, federal and state support, project funding, and the construction timeline and conceptual design.

Prentice and **Schulman** reported that the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) had signed agreements with the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) related to the dam removal. They noted nighttime sediment testing and the next steps in the project.

Schulman remarked on the need for additional funding for project construction.

Ober thanked Prentice, Schulman, and Council for leading the project and **Schulman** expressed appreciation to the city for partnering with the NCWC on river projects.

Council President Nicodemus and **Schulman** commented on the educational outreach opportunity of the dam removal and creek restoration projects.

Councilor Massey, Schulman, and **Ober** noted the importance of finding more funding to complete the project and keeping the public updated.

Prentice and **Schulman** commented on how the project would impact downtown Milwaukie and what initial sediment testing had found.

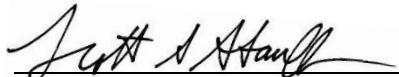
Mayor Batey expressed appreciation for the project and asked about the dewatering and UPRR work on the train trestle over Kellogg Creek. **Prentice** and **Schulman** confirmed the trestle work was not related to the dam removal project and they explained what dewatering work meant related to the trestle. They noted that ODOT's recent contracting work was for Phase 2 and possibly Phase 3 of the dam removal project.

Mayor Batey and **Schulman** noted that the public would receive more project updates as the project progressed to contracting and construction work.

3. Adjourn

Council President Nicodemus adjourned the meeting at 5:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Scott Stauffer, City Recorder