



COUNCIL STUDY SESSION

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

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 13, 2024

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

Staff Present: Nicole Madigan, Deputy City Recorder
Ann Ober, City Manager

Scott Stauffer, City Recorder

Mayor Batey called the meeting to order at 5:17 p.m.

1. Clackamas Community College (CCC) Bond Update – Report

Tim Cook, CCC President, explained that CCC was making the rounds to cities to present the college's need to place a bond on the November 2024 ballot. **Cook** provided some background on CCC and student attendance statistics. **Kathy Hyzy**, CCC Board Member provided an overview of what a bond was and how CCC's proposed bond would be used. **Hyzy** explained that the bond would be a renewal of the last bond passed in 2014, and as such it would not raise tax rates, and **Hyzy** presented what had been accomplished with the 2014 bond.

Cook explained how CCC determined the need for a renewal of the bond and what the college wanted to accomplish if the bond was approved by voters. **Hyzy** explained that if the bond was approved, there were opportunities for CCC to collect matching funds from multiple sources for certain projects. **Hyzy** noted that CCC was looking for feedback and that the projects CCC was proposing to fund with the bond.

Mayor Batey asked for more detail about which CCC campuses would be included in the proposed projects. **Cook** noted that the proposed construction would be at the Oregon City campus, that the college was looking at adding workforce training to the Wilsonville campus, and **Cook**, **Batey**, and **Hyzy** discussed current and future programming at the Harmony campus.

Councilor Massey asked if CCC was seeing an increase in demand due to a current questioning around four-year degrees. **Cook** explained how workforce demands were requiring a two-year degree or less, but there was still a cultural phenomenon and parental push for four-year degrees. **Massey** asked who was CCC's biggest competition. **Cook** explained that CCC worked well with the surrounding community colleges, and that the biggest competition was from for profit and online universities but **Cook** noted that CCC was the first college to offer an early education degree entirely in Spanish.

Councilor Khosroabadi asked CCC to explain what the college would lose if the bond was not passed. **Hyzy** and **Cook** noted the importance of taking care of and updating the current infrastructure and finding ways to modernize and match current student needs.

Councilor Stavenjord asked how much CCC thought they would be able to collect via state bond matching if the bond passed. **Cook** explained how CCC was able to apply for state bond matching and that CCC was hoping to take advantage of other bond matching programs.

Councilor Stavenjord asked if CCC had policies in place for obtaining contracts with women and minority owned businesses. **Cook** shared that CCC had exceeded their 2014 goal of awarding 10% of contracts to women, minority, and locally owned businesses, and noted that the board had not yet had contract award conversations for the proposed 2024 bond but noted that such policies were important to CCC. **Stavenjord** noted the importance of having work force development programs for behavioral health.

Councilor Stavenjord asked what CCC saw as the path forward for childcare. **Cook** shared that CCC had partnered with Head Start programs and the Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) to offer both training facilities and childcare on their campuses, noted the online Spanish early education degree, and that CCC was looking to expand drop-in services. **Hyzy** stated that there was work to do to get the word out to local businesses that CCC was producing childcare workers.

Mayor Batey asked for clarification on the length of the bond. **Cook** explained that the 2014 bond was a continuation of the 2000 bond and that if the 2024 bond was approved that would renew a 25-year bond. **Batey** asked about CCC's partnerships with Clackamas Workforce Partnership (CWP) and small business development centers. **Cook** stated that CCC had a close and constant relationship with CWP and that CCC has their own small business development center and is one of the best in the state.

2. Council Reports

Councilor Khosroabadi noted that Clackamas County Water Environment Services (WES) was having a naming competition to name the new boring machine.


Mayor Batey was looking for Council to sign a letter of support for Clackamas County Children's Commission to acquire funding to purchase the shuttered YMCA childcare center in Milwaukie. There was Council consensus to sign and send the letter.

Councilor Khosroabadi provided an update from the February 7 county's Community Action Board (CAB) meeting.

3. Adjourn

Mayor Batey adjourned the meeting at 6:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Nicole Madigan, Deputy City Recorder