

WORK SESSION MEETING
CITY OF AMITY, OR

Minutes

A Work Session Meeting was held at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday July 11, 2023, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 109 Maddox, Amity, Oregon.

Councilors Present

Councilor April Dyche, Councilor Sandy McArthur, Councilor Melissa Bojorquez, Councilor Caleb Shields, Councilor Alice Thompson and Mayor Rachel King.

Councilors Present via Zoom

None

Councilors Absent

None

Staff Present

City Treasurer/Recorder Natasha Johnson and Administrator Nathan Frarck

1. CITIZEN COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:

Citizen L. Engel asked regarding the water quality report and if the city has one available. Mayor King explained it is available online. There were no further comments.

2. CITY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS:

Nothing to report.

3. TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

a. Council Goal Update:

Water Infrastructure: Mayor King went over the goals. Administrator Frarck gave update regarding Goucher St. project and deadline is June 2024 and per Engineers the city can have it complete but will be tight.

Sewer Infrastructure: Mayor King gave update regarding WFPP and had meeting with Tim Tice with OAWU and city is in line to meet the goal.

Street/Sidewalk Infrastructure: Mayor King went over the goals and what has been accomplished as of now and where the city is at on accomplishing other goals. Councilor Bojorquez asked regarding asking citizens for input on where another streetlight should be in the city. Administrator Frarck explained could send out a survey. Mayor King explained well just have to put out there can't put out multiple

lights. Mayor King explained the city could utilize amity info corner to get public outreach out. Administrator Frarck updated council regarding slurry seal and can't happen this year but next fiscal year as contractors are booked out. Councilor Bojorquez asked regarding getting on a waitlist. Administrator Frarck explained will look into to see if possibility.

Sidewalks Infrastructure Improvement: Mayor King went over goals and where the city is at on accomplishing the goals. There was discussion regarding how to improve sidewalks in the city.

Storm Drainage Infrastructure: Mayor King went over the goals and what the city is doing to meet the goal.

Improve Community Outreach: Mayor King went over the goals and where the city is at on the goals. She reminded Council regarding the fact section in newsletter and there hasn't been any submitted. She updated regarding website improvement and the cost associated with the website. Councilor Dyche suggested looking into possible apps for the city.

Mayor King would like to do another town hall in September or October. Mayor King doesn't think the city at this time is ready to take on Amity Day. Possibly send out a survey to citizens to see if there is an interest. The council would like the survey to go out in August Billing.

Public Safety: Mayor King went over the goals and what has been accomplished and ideas for increased interaction of YCSO.

Parks & Public Spaces: Mayor King went over the goals and what goals have been accomplished and ideas for other goals to get them accomplished. Administrator Frarck is looking into a grant.

City Services: Mayor King went over the current goals and what is being done to accomplish goals. The Council had a discussion on ideas on how to accomplish goals and what needs to be done too.

- b. Council Discussion Regarding Volunteer Program Launch: Mayor King went over background on the volunteer program launch and needed a volunteer waiver form. Councilor Bojorquez updated on where the app is at in getting launched. She sent all Council a link to get signed up. She is hoping to announce public app is live August. Mayor King asked council is all good with moving forward and all ok with using waiver. The council is all in consensus about using the waiver.

Mayor King went over smart goal worksheet. The council will all think of some goals and come back at the next work session with some measurable goals accomplished by his 6-month review and what are measurable goals.

4. OPEN FORUM & DISCUSSION FROM THE MAYOR & CITY COUNCILORS:

Mayor Comments – Mayor King went over smart goal worksheet. The council will all think of some goals and come back at the next work session with some measurable goals accomplished by his 6-month review. There were no further comments.

- a. Finance – Councilor Dyche had nothing to report. There were no comments.
- b. Infrastructure – Councilors McArthur & Shields – Councilor McArthur was not present at the meeting. There were no comments.
- c. Community Engagement – Councilors Bojorquez & Thompson – Councilor Bojorquez had nothing to report. There were no further comments.
- d. Public Safety – Councilor Dyche reminded council regarding NNO. Mayor King asked Recorder Johnson all that she needs help with for NNO. Recorder Johnson let the Council know to help with setup and food. There were no further comments.
- e. Parks – Councilor Thompson had nothing to report. There were no comments.
- f. City Services – Councilors Shields & McArthur – Councilor Shields had nothing to report. There were no comments.

Mayor King adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Approved by City Council August, 2023

Rachel King, Mayor

Attest:

Natasha Johnson, City Recorder