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EUGENE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

September 12, 2022

7:30 p.m. CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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Meeting of September 12, 2022; Her Honor Mayor Lucy Vinis Presiding

Councilors

Claire Syrett, President
Mike Clark
Randy Groves
Jennifer Yeh

Matt Keating, Vice President
Greg Evans
Emily Semple
Alan Zelenka

7:30 p.m. CITY COUNCIL MEETING

1. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

2. CONSENT CALENDAR 1

A. Approval of City Council Minutes

- June 13, 2022 Meeting
- June 21, 2022 Public Hearing
- June 22, 2022 Work Session
- June 27, 2022 Work Session
- June 27, 2022 Meeting
- June 29, 2022 Work Session
- July 11, 2022 Work Session
- July 11, 2022 Meeting
- July 18, 2022 Public Hearing
- July 20, 2022 Work Session
- July 25, 2022 Work Session
- July 25, 2022 Meeting
- July 27, 2022 Work Session

B. Approval of City Council Tentative Agenda

3. PUBLIC FORUM

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EUGENE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Approval of City Council Minutes

Meeting Date: September 12, 2022
Department: Central Services
www.eugene-or.gov

Agenda Item Number: 2A
Staff Contact: Sara McKinney
Contact Telephone Number: 541-682-5010

ISSUE STATEMENT

This is a routine item to approve City Council minutes.

SUGGESTED MOTION

Move to approve the minutes for the work sessions on June 22, June 27, June 29, July 11, July 20, July 25 and July 27, 2022, meetings on June 13, June 27, July 11, and July 25, 2022, public hearing on June 21 and public hearing and work session on July 18, 2022.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. June 13, 2022 Meeting
- B. June 21, 2022 Public Hearing
- C. June 22, 2022 Work Session
- D. June 27, 2022 Work Session
- E. June 27, 2022 Meeting
- F. June 29, 2022 Work Session
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- L. July 25, 2022 Meeting
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MINUTES

**Eugene City Council
Hybrid Virtual/In-Person Meeting
Eugene, Oregon 97401**

**June 13, 2022
7:30 p.m.**

Councilors Present: Emily Semple, Matt Keating, Alan Zelenka, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Randy Groves, Claire Syrett, Greg Evans

Mayor Vinis opened the June 13, 2022, meeting of the Eugene City Council in a hybrid in-person and virtual format at 101 W. 10th Avenue, Suite 114, Eugene, OR 97401.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Destanee Butler, a senior at North Eugene High School and Co-Chair of the Youth Advisory Council, in recognition of Flag Day on June 14.

2. CEREMONIAL ITEMS

Mayor Vinis read a proclamation to recognize the month of June as LGBTQ+ Pride Month and a proclamation to recognize the 19th of June as Juneteenth.

Mayor Vinis recognized that June is also Elder Abuse Awareness and Men's Health Month.

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

- Councilor Semple – congratulated all 2022 graduates.
- Councilor Keating – noted that the sixth anniversary of the Pulse Night Club shooting recently passed, a reminder that the gun violence epidemic has increased at disturbing levels; noted that in recognition of Juneteenth, the June Human Services Commission meeting will move to June 27, 2022; outlined the Human Services Commission activities and invited the public to take part in the Charter Review Committee, noting the deadline to apply is June 30, 2022, and more information is available at lanecounty.org; noted that The White House is accepting applications for internships at whitehouse.gov; noted that for the first time ever, all interns at The White House will be paid internships.
- Mayor Vinis – noted she recently attended the U.S. Conference of Mayors and the Climate Mayors Meeting; noted that Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy sent a video speech to the Conference of Mayors, asking the mayors to recognize the profound impact of war on the Ukraine cities and pleading with United States mayors to sever sister city relationships with Russian cities; urged Council to consider if they would like to have a further discussion regarding this matter.
- Councilor Keating – asked if there is time in June or July agenda to schedule this discussion.
- Councilor Semple – asked to clarify if the proposed plan is to have this work session on sister cities overall or only specifically about the Russian sister city relationship.

- Councilor Zelenka – asked if Mayor Vinis received a response from the Mayor of Irkutsk in response to the letter sent earlier this year; outlined the origin and goal of Sister Cities International; noted that now might be a good time to move away from the Russian sister city and choose another location to partner with; asked if the President of Ukraine mentioned establishing sister cities in his message; noted that the point of these sister cities is cultural exchanges and these are pointless if those exchanges are not happening or are being blocked by the government.
- Councilor Clark – noted that he appreciates that Mayor Vinis wrote the letter to Irkutsk; noted his frustration that he was previously told there was not time on the agenda to add additional discussions or work sessions about middle housing before summer break and the sister city discussion is now being scheduled before break.
- Councilor Syrett – stated she is willing to have a further discussion about the relationship with Irkutsk.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR 1

A. Approval of City Council Minutes

- April 25, 2022 Meeting
- May 25, 2022 Work Session

B. Approval of City Council Tentative Agenda

C. Approval of Motion Relating to Voters' Pamphlet for the May 2022 Primary Election

MOTION: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to approve the items on Consent Calendar 1. **VOTE PASSED: 8:0**

5. PUBLIC FORUM

1. Sophia El-Shammaa and Destanee Butler – provided the Youth Advisory Council annual report.
2. Sandy Sanders – spoke against middle housing and 5G upgrades.
3. Aya Cockram – spoke in support of a building electrification ordinance.
4. Jim Neu – spoke regarding climate plans and against use of fossil fuels.
5. Jeremy Aasum – spoke about improving air, water, and soil in west Eugene.
6. Richard Oberc – spoke about the Eugene Charter and residents of Eugene.
7. Joshua Korn – spoke about Senate Bill 283 and Wi-Fi exposure.
8. Lin Woodrich – spoke about evacuation zones for the Bethel community.
9. Nickolas Anzelmo – spoke about discrimination in masking policies in Lane County and Eugene.
10. Sam Tyler – spoke in favor of building electrification and banning new natural gas hookups.
11. Melinda Stone – spoke about masking policies and her recent Eugene Police and municipal court experience.
12. Kathryn Dunn – spoke about Renter Protections Phase 1.
13. Aeron Lerch – spoke in favor of a building electrification ordinance and about discrimination against transgender individuals.
14. Megan Kemple – spoke in favor of increased funding for pedestrian and bike path facilities in the street bond renewal.
15. Valerie Metcalfe – spoke against the proposed renter protections.

16. Debra McGee – asked Council to dedicate more bond funding to active transportation improvements.
17. Kathy Ging – spoke against lot coverage in the proposed middle housing ordinance.
18. Laura Allen – spoke on behalf of the Sustainability Commission in favor of building electrification.
19. Randy Prince – spoke about urban fire storms and fire safety.
20. Joann Shotola – spoke against proposed renter protections.
21. Victor Odilivak – spoke about safe technology and against Wi-Fi exposure.
22. Kevin Fletcher – spoke in favor of increasing funding for active transportation.
23. Tomoko Sekiguchi – spoke in favor of increasing funding for active transportation.
24. Richard Hughes – spoke in favor of increasing funding for active transportation.
25. Ingrid Edstrom – spoke about the dangers of electromagnetic activity and 5G.
26. Henry Beck – spoke in favor of building electrification ordinance.
27. William Smith – spoke about the dangers of wireless radiation and 5G.
28. Sabrina Siegel – spoke about the dangers of wireless radiation and 5G.
29. Timothy Morris – spoke in support of renter protections phase 1.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Keating – voiced concern that an in-person speaker acknowledged multiple recent exposures to Covid; reviewed Council Resolution 5312 regarding conduct in meetings; requested that staff provide the meeting conduct rules on the public meetings page on the Eugene website and paraphrased some of the rules; expressed concern regarding statements made during Public Forum.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR 2

A. Resolution Annexing Land At 148 West Hilliard Lane

B. Initiation of Land Use Code Amendment: Floodplain Regulation Update to Meet FEMA Standards for the National Flood Insurance Program

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to approve the items on Consent Calendar 2. **PASSED 8:0**

7. ACTION: Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees

BUDGET COMMITTEE

MOTION: Councilor Syrett, 2nd by Keating: Move to reappoint Ryan Moore to the Budget Committee for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022 and ending on June 30, 2025.

MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE: Councilor Clark, seconded by Councilor Semple, moved to substitute with Ted Coopman.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Keating – asked how many of the seven votes Ted Coopman received.
- Councilor Clark – noted that he disagrees with the process and does not like that the nomination vote is cast in secret rather than a formal and public vote; stated

concern that Ryan Moore missed half of the previous year's Budget Committee meetings; said he believes Ted Coopman is his preferred choice for several reasons.

- Councilor Zelenka – noted that Ryan Moore apologized for and addressed his previous absences during his statement for Budget Committee.
- Councilor Syrett – noted that this would be his Ryan Moore's second term and that he is the appointed representative to the Human Services Commission and does attend and participates in those meetings as well.
- Councilor Keating – noted that votes are not made in secret and are public record.
- Councilor Clark – noted that Council should review processes in the future as he believes there are flaws in the system.

VOTE ON MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE: FAILED 4:5, opposed by councilors Syrett, Keating, Yeh and Zelenka with Mayor Vinis' vote in opposition breaking the tie.

VOTE ON ORIGINAL MOTION, RESTATED:

Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to reappoint Ryan Moore to the Budget Committee for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022 and ending on June 30, 2025. **PASSED 7:1**, opposed by Councilor Semple

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to appoint Zach Mullholland to the Budget Committee for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022 and ending on June 30, 2025.

PASSED 7:1, opposed by Councilor Clark

CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to reappoint Bernadette Conover to the Civilian Review Board for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2025.

PASSED 8:0

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to appoint Richard Roseta to the Civilian Review Board for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2025.

PASSED 8:0

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to appoint Monique Griffin to the Civilian Review Board for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2025.

PASSED 8:0

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

MOTION: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to appoint Sarai Johnson to the Human Rights Commission for the unexpired term beginning July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2023.

MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE: Councilor Semple, seconded by Councilor Clark, moved to substitute Julie Lambert for Sarai Johnson.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Semple – stated Sarai is great and very involved in various projects in the city; noted that she has worked with Julie Lambert and she would bring a different energy; stated that Julie’s lived experience with mental and physical health challenges as well as a previously unhoused individual would bring a unique perspective and would be a valuable voice on the Human Rights Commission.
- Councilor Groves – noted Sarai has done a great job at the county level and working on the unhoused situation; asked if Sarai’s work with the county poses a conflict of interest.
- Councilor Yeh – noted she voted for both Sarai and Julie and is disappointed that they are not both being appointed; stated she supports nominating Sarai as she is a North Eugene resident and there is a lack of individuals from North Eugene who choose to apply for boards and commissions; noted her hope that seeing a North Eugene resident on a board may encourage others to apply.

VOTE ON MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE: FAILED 4:5, opposed by councilors Syrett, Keating, Yeh and Zelenka with Mayor Vinis’ vote in opposition breaking the tie.

VOTE ON ORIGINAL MOTION: PASSED 8:0

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to reappoint Heather Marek to the Human Rights Commission for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2025.
PASSED 8:0

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to appoint Daniel ‘Drae’ Charles to the Human Rights Commission for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2025.
PASSED 8:0

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to appoint Blake Burrell to the Human Rights Commission for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2025.
PASSED 8:0

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to appoint Thomas Hiura to the Human Rights Commission for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2025.
PASSED 8:0

PLANNING COMMISSION

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to reappoint Tiffany Edwards to the Planning Commission for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2025.
PASSED 8:0

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to appoint Jason Lear to the Planning Commission for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2025.
PASSED 8:0

TOXICS BOARD

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to appoint Olena Hornberger to an Advocacy position on the Toxics Board for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2025. **PASSED 8:0**

HISTORIC REVIEW BOARD

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to reappoint Daniel Lombardi to the Historic Review Board for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2026.
PASSED 8:0

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to appoint James Boyd to the Historic Review Board for a four-year term beginning July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2026.
PASSED 8:0

WHILAMUT CITIZEN PLANNING COMMITTEE

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to appoint Thomas Hiura to the Whilamut Citizen Planning Committee for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2025. **PASSED 8:0**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to appoint Michael LeCompte to the Whilamut Citizen Planning Committee for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2025. **PASSED 8:0**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to appoint Paul Von Der Mehden to the Whilamut Citizen Planning Committee for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2025. **PASSED 8:0**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to appoint Josh White to the Whilamut Citizen Planning

Committee for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2022, and ending on June 30, 2025. **PASSED 8:0**

8. EAST ALTON BAKER PARK PLAN AND EC 5.160: USE OF ELECTRONIC MICROMOBILITY DEVICES IN WHILAMUT NATURAL AREA

MOTION: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to adopt the Ordinance Concerning the Use of Electric Micromobility Devices in the Whilamut Natural Area of Alton Baker Park; Amending the East Alton Baker Plan; and Amending Section 5.160 of the Eugene Code, 1971.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Semple – noted that this is a difficult topic for her as she sees both sides; noted that the large natural area in the middle of the city is very special; noted that there is a climate crisis and this area is the most direct route for alternative transportation options; noted that the past Whilamut Citizen Planning Committee foresaw this issue and stated in 1996 that high volumes of bicycles commuters traveling at high speeds through the park are incompatible with passive recreation and the main purposes of the park and that committee recommended the use of planned amenities and safe trails; said that the proposed plan appears to be the best option.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted he uses the trail along the river often and it would not be an appropriate bike or scooter path but the proposed paths are large enough to drive cars; stated agreement with Councilor Semple that in the current climate crisis, promoting carbon neutral alternative modes of transportation is important and this path encourages many to choose alternative methods of transportation; stated he is in support of the proposed plan.

VOTE: PASSED 7:1, opposed by Councilor Keating

The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Sara McKinney)

Link to the webcast of this City Council meeting [here](#).

MINUTES

**Eugene City Council
Hybrid Public Hearing
Eugene, Oregon 97401**

**June 21, 2022
5:30 p.m.**

Councilors Present: Emily Semple, Matt Keating, Alan Zelenka, Mike Clark, Greg Evans, Claire Syrett, Randy Groves

Councilors Absent: Jennifer Yeh

Mayor Vinis opened the June 21, 2022, Public Hearing of the Eugene City Council in a hybrid in-person and virtual format at 101 W. 10th Avenue, Suite 114, Eugene, OR 97401.

1. PUBLIC HEARING – An Ordinance Concerning Public Contracts and Amending

Sections 2.1400, 2.1405, 2.1415, 2.1420, 2.1425, 2.1430, and 2.1451 of the Eugene Code, 1971.

City Manager Sarah Medary provided background information and introduced the topic.

Mayor Vinis opened the Public Hearing.

There were no speakers for the Public Hearing.

Mayor Vinis closed the Public Hearing.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Evans – asked for data to determine the number of contracts that go to women, minority-owned emerging businesses, and disadvantaged businesses; asked how these proposed changes would impact contracting with such businesses.

2. PUBLIC HEARING – An Ordinance Concerning Rental Housing and Amending

Sections 8.405, 8.415, 8.425, 8.430, and 8.440 of the Eugene Code 1971.

City Manager Sarah Medary provided background information and introduced the topic.

Mayor Vinis opened the Public Hearing.

1. Hazel Stirgwolt – shared concern over the cost of applying for rental housing.
2. Sylvan Scholl – spoke in favor of the ordinance.
3. Kevin C. Cronin – spoke in favor of the ordinance.
4. Carrie Goodwin – spoke in favor of the ordinance.
5. Ellen McKean – spoke in favor of the ordinance.
6. Candice King – spoke in favor of the ordinance.

7. John Prince – spoke in favor of the ordinance.
8. Celine Swenson Harris – spoke in favor of the ordinance.
9. Mysti Frost – spoke in favor of the ordinance.
10. Ethan Klein – spoke in favor of the ordinance.
11. Jeffrey Albanese – spoke in favor of the ordinance.
12. Sondra Melinder – spoke in favor of the ordinance.
13. Sandra – shared concerns about young adults accessing rental housing.
14. Tim Morris – spoke in favor of the ordinance.
15. Darren Stone – spoke in opposition to the ordinance.
16. Samantha Roberts – discussed unintended consequences of the ordinance.
17. Kathryn Dunn – spoke in opposition to the ordinance.
18. Lisa Bollinger – spoke in opposition to the ordinance.
19. John VanLandingham – noted concerns about the ordinance.
20. Joann Shotola – spoke in opposition to the ordinance.
21. Marcia Edwards – spoke in opposition to the ordinance.
22. Joshua Caraco – spoke in favor of the ordinance.
23. Cynthia Butler – spoke in favor of the ordinance.
24. Mike Gamble – spoke in opposition to the ordinance.
25. Jacob Trewe – spoke in favor of the ordinance.

Mayor Vinis closed the Public Hearing.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Groves – noted that this is a complex issue and the main problem is a lack of rental inventory in the community; expressed concern about losing rental inventory; noted that he is looking forward to the discussion on this topic.
- Councilor Zelenka – acknowledged the lack of housing and housing crisis in Eugene; noted that this ordinance is not intended to increase or decrease the number of rental units, but to improve fairness in the process through enforcement; asked staff for a detailed explanation of the code enforcement process for the next work session on this topic; expressed a desire to explore alternative enforcement options.
- Councilor Syrett – asked staff to determine if any parts of the ordinance duplicate existing laws; stated that this ordinance was modeled after a similar ordinance in Portland, but with modifications developed with input from the local rental protection committee; stated that these proposals are intended to increase equity and opportunity to access housing, while considering input from rental housing providers.
- Councilor Keating – noted that this proposal is not intended to increase the number of rental units, but to prevent homelessness and housing stress; asked staff to clarify the language for capping the screening and application fees; stated his support for one flat cap for screening and application fees at the state level.
- Councilor Clark – noted that how the cap is enforced is important and deserves further discussion; expressed concerns about Eugene experiencing negative consequences similar to those experienced in Portland; noted that the proposal is meant to increase opportunity to access housing but stated his concern is that it will cause landlords to disinvest in Eugene properties; stated he believes this ordinance will have negative unintended consequences.

- Mayor Vinis – emphasized that this proposal is a response to the vulnerability of renters; encouraged landlords to suggest alternative measures to provide protection to renters.
- Councilor Clark – stated he would like to see increased landlord participation in discussions regarding alternative measures to improve access to rental housing.

Mayor Vinis adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Olivia Clark)

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MINUTES

Eugene City Council Work Session Eugene, Oregon 97401

June 22, 2022
12:00 p.m.

Councilors Present: Claire Syrett, Matt Keating, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Randy Groves, Emily Semple, Alan Zelenka, Greg Evans

Councilor Syrett opened the June 22, 2022, work session of the Eugene City Council in a hybrid format at 101 W. 10th Avenue, Suite 114, Eugene, OR 97401.

1. **WORK SESSION: Eugene Springfield Fire Governance**

Assistant City Manager Kristie Hammitt and Interim Fire Chief Scott Cockrum presented information on the Eugene Springfield Fire Governance review process.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Groves – stated the Eugene Springfield Fire system has been good so far; noted it was built to make a better, more efficient system; recalled major fire events in the past that reinforced how important the joint system is; noted for this joint effort to work long-term it will require two committed partners with mutually beneficial results; recognized the Springfield Council and Brenda Wilson with Lane Council of Governments for their efforts on this project.
- Councilor Clark – echoed Councilor Groves’ statements and expressed appreciation for Councilor Groves for his work on the original project; expressed appreciation for the individuals at the fire department for making this project work; stated he hopes the work being done in the future will make it easier for those involved to report to a single entity to make it easier for staff.
- Councilor Zelenka – stated he supports the work to strive for better service and more fire safety; stated he originally had concerns about cross-subsidization and control over the fire teams; asked what the decision process will be, by whom it will be determined and what the City Council involvement will be; noted the use of committees are useful for screening and compiling information for Council; noted that he does not approve of sub-committees making decisions; asked about the best way to get answers to several questions without taking up all of the time in this work session.
- Councilor Semple – expressed appreciation for the work and research done to present this topic; asked if the staff who work in this joint venture are happy with the current situation.
- Councilor Groves - expressed appreciation for the union and their involvement in this project; noted this process is not meant for the sub-committee to make decision but to summarize the information for the city councils of Eugene and Springfield to make a determination on; noted that he continues to speak to many firefighters personally and many have indicated they would prefer to move forward with this process and finalize it.

- Councilor Yeh – stated it is impressive how cohesive and unified the Eugene Springfield Fire Department appears from the outside; said she likes the process and looks forward to hearing the pros and cons about each option.
- Councilor Keating – expressed appreciation for all at Eugene Springfield Fire for keeping the communities safe; noted that the difficulty in recruiting and retaining staff is listed as a weakness in the materials provided; asked staff to expand on how the proposed modifications would improve the economies of scale and recruitment and retention issue; noted that a termination of this agreement would be a failure; inquired if there are specific items of contention that are preventing this from becoming a permanent merger.
- Councilor Syrett – noted she was on the Budget Committee when this plan was first proposed and the financial savings presented were significant; expressed appreciation for all involved in this project; noted that the union involvement has been important and appreciated.

2. WORK SESSION: Safe Sleep Sites Update

City Manager Sarah Medary introduced Homeless Systems Policy Manager Peter Chavannes and Policy Analyst Regan Watjus, who presented an update on the Safe Sleep Sites Program.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Zelenka – expressed appreciation to the staff who have worked on this issue; noted Eugene is a leader in the country in addressing a universally difficult problem that impacts the entire west coast; noted that this program has had great success and moved a lot of people on to more stable housing; stated that the sites have minimal turnover, indicating that they are well-managed; noted Attachment B shows that vehicle camping complaints are one third of what they were one year ago; stated that the downside is that there are over 900 people on the wait list for just three sites; noted that this is expensive and there is not enough funding to make this system sustainable; stated he supports both suggested motions; asked staff to clarify if the year-to-date number of people served has actually dropped dramatically from last year; asked staff to clarify if it is calendar year or fiscal year; noted that the majority of the unhoused being served are white; asked how the current resident status is determined; asked if individuals are asked where they lived prior to becoming homeless; asked staff to clarify the numbers presented in regards to current resident status.
- Councilor Groves – expressed appreciation for the good work done on this matter; stated he will support both motions; asked if the turnover rate has been calculated for all sites combined; stated that he has observed that the streets are looking better, however those who are causing issues are becoming more pronounced; noted he would like to talk about strategy for how to address the behavioral problems that are being created and impacting community residents and businesses; noted that there is not ongoing funding for this system; asked if staff are aware of any federal standard that classifies someone living in an RV or trailer as housed or unhoused; asked staff to clarify if an RV or trailer is considered a vehicle; noted he would like staff to research the previous question and bring back an answer in a future work session.

- Councilor Keating – noted on that page 21 of the agenda item summary reports there are over 3,000 people listed as Eugene residents and this information contradicts the allegation that the unhoused individuals are coming from other locations to Eugene for services; asked staff if this information appears accurate to them; inquired where the snapshot of information comes from to report the current residents aspect; stated he would like to get information regarding the vaccination status of the unhoused in a future work session; discussed information listed on the Eugene website; noted concern that many sites are not taking applications and not all individuals have access to the internet to complete applications for safe sleep sites.
- Councilor Clark – thanked staff for the reports; expressed appreciation for staff's honest answers to questions at this meeting; stated he would like to see follow up information regarding current residents to determine how long an individual lived in Eugene prior to becoming unhoused; asked for clarification of the total number of available spaces when all proposed sites are open; asked what the operational expenditure is annually; stated that the annual cost per person for these programs is \$10,000 per year; asked staff for the current total number of unhoused individuals in the community; noted that if there are 3,000 unhoused individuals, only 10 percent of that population are being assisted and more accurate data is needed; added that Council needs to reexamine the strategies being used.
- Councilor Syrett – asked staff if the waitlist includes duplicate counts of individuals who are on multiple waitlists.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Keating, seconded by Councilor Yeh, moved to approve authorizing the Everyone Village site for co-location of multiple Safe Tent site groups, based on the large size of the property
PASSED: 7:1, opposed by Councilor Clark

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Keating, seconded by Councilor Yeh, moved to direct the city manager to set a public hearing to consider an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 20650 (temporary establishment of “safe parking” and “safe tent” sites that are larger than allowed under section 4.816 of the Eugene Code, 1971); and extending its sunset date.
PASSED: 7:1, opposed by Councilor Clark

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Semple – asked what the sunset date would be extended to.

Councilor Syrett adjourned the meeting at 1:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Sara McKinney)
Webcast of meeting available [here](#).

MINUTES

**Eugene City Council
Work Session
Eugene, Oregon 97401**

**June 27, 2022
5:30 p.m.**

Councilors Present: Claire Syrett, Matt Keating, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Randy Groves, Emily Semple, Alan Zelenka, Greg Evans

Mayor Vinis opened the June 27, 2022, work session of the Eugene City Council in a hybrid in-person/virtual format at 101 W. 10th Avenue, Suite 114, Eugene, OR 97401.

1. WORK SESSION: Police Auditor and Civilian Review Board Annual Reports

Mayor introduced Interim Police Auditor Leia Pitcher, who was joined by the chair of the Civilian Review board, Carolyn Williams, and Associate Auditors Lindsey Foltz, and Rob Eller. The group presented the Police Auditor and Civilian Review Board annual reports.

Council Discussion:

- Mayor Vinis – expressed appreciation for the reports and the amount of work that went into them.
- Councilor Keating – asked if the auditor’s office receives reports regarding individuals in acute mental health crisis and, if so, what section that falls into; asked if there is a large number of misconduct reports for mental health interactions; asked that mental health interactions be parsed out in future reports; asked in what way complaints come to them, phone, online or in person; asked for clarification regarding Springfield Police in the audit process.
- Councilor Groves – asked if the interim auditor has a sense of how the Eugene Police Department and the oversight system compares to other departments around the country; asked what support would be needed for police body cameras to be run all the time when an officer is on duty; noted his interest in a program like Washington County that pairs a law enforcement officer with a trained mental health professional; asked if Eugene has looked into this type of program; stated that bad apples fall through the net and the oversight committee is important to help address those issues.
- Councilor Syrett – stated that the staff has done an impressive job over the past year with limited staffing; noted that the graph that was provided was very helpful; expressed appreciation for the focus on diversity, equity, and inclusion at the auditor’s office; expressed appreciation for the Civilian Review Board and their efforts; noted appreciation for caution in requesting assistance from outside agencies, as they are not subject to Eugene’s review process.
- Councilor Zelenka – expressed appreciation for the work that the police auditor and Civilian Review Board does; noted that in 35 cases, all but one case was unanimously agreed upon between the Eugene Police Department chain of command, the police auditor, and the chief; noted that only 19 employees had sustained allegations out of 160 sworn officers; asked the interim auditor to get the total number of encounters by

Eugene Police Department to compare to the number of complaints filed; asked for clarification regarding body camera and muting policies.

- Councilor Evans – noted that Eugene has a great police department and oversight committee; stated that he is bothered that the University of Oregon Police Department officers operate within Eugene city limits, carry guns and make arrests but are not subject to the review process that Eugene Police Department is; asked the interim auditor and staff what knowledge they have regarding the review process, if any, that the University uses; applauded the interim auditor for starting the process to hire a diversity, equity and inclusion officer; asked the interim auditor how Eugene can effectively measure the level of trust and confidence in reporting for civilians to make reports to the auditor's office.
- Councilor Clark – noted an interest in specific interactions with individuals with acute mental health complications; asked if these cases would be a low percentage of the overall number of cases; asked to clarify that the police chief decides if a complaint is sustained; asked the interim auditor if she disagrees with the police chief more or less frequently than her predecessor.
- Councilor Yeh – expressed appreciation for the work the interim auditor is doing to build out the program; encouraged staff to be careful about the information put out by the auditor's that could appear to defend the police department; expressed appreciation for the work done by the Civilian Review Board.
- Councilor Semple – noted appreciation for being provided with the minutes from the Civilian Review Board and the insight they provided.
- Councilor Keating – asked how the charge of the auditor's office has changed over the years for both the better and worse.
- Councilor Syrett – noted appreciation for comments in support of hiring the interim auditor into the role permanently; stated that the staff members added to the auditor's office have been extremely important and helpful; noted that the City Manager does not have to attend these reports but her input was helpful and should be noted for future police auditor reviews.
- Councilor Evans – asked how many complaints about other agencies in Eugene's jurisdiction are received by the auditor's office; requested that the Mayor request a report from the University of Oregon's police agency regarding oversight.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted that University of Oregon has declined joint oversight multiple times; reiterated that Eugene has one of the best police oversight systems in the country and agencies come from all over the country to see the City's process.

Mayor Vinis adjourned the work session to move into executive session.

2. Executive Session Pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(e), Real Property Transaction

Due to technical difficulties, a lack of time and information updates available, the executive session was cancelled and will be rescheduled later when the City Manager has information to update Council.

Mayor Vinis adjourned the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Sara McKinney)
Webcast of meeting available [here](#).

MINUTES

**Eugene City Council and
Eugene Urban Renewal Agency
Hybrid Meeting
Eugene, Oregon 97401**

**June 27, 2022
7:30 p.m.**

Councilors Present: Emily Semple, Matt Keating, Alan Zelenka, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Randy Groves, Claire Syrett, Greg Evans

Mayor Vinis opened the June 27, 2022, meeting of the Eugene City Council in a hybrid in-person and virtual format at 101 W. 10th Avenue, Suite 114, Eugene, OR 97401.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

In honor of Independence Day on July 4th, representatives from the League of Women Voters of Lane County led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

2. CEREMONIAL MATTERS

In honor of Independence Day on July 4th, representatives from the League of Women Voters of Lane County recited the Bill of Rights.

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

- Councilor Syrett – expressed frustration about the Supreme Court ruling to overturn Roe v. Wade; encouraged people to support programs that provide reproductive healthcare.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR 1

A. Approval of City Council Minutes

- May 16, 2022, Work Session
- May 16, 2022, Public Hearing

B. Approval of City Council Tentative Agenda

C. Approval of Motion Correcting Planning Commission Appointments

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to approve the items on Consent Calendar 1. **PASSED**
8:0

5. PUBLIC FORUM

1. Maria G – stated concerns over the police response to abortion-related protests.
2. Sam Tyler – spoke in favor of building electrification.
3. Thomas Newman – spoke in favor of public transportation and middle housing.
4. Dennis Reynolds – spoke in favor of building electrification.
5. Richard Locke – praised the police response to protest; condemned on-street camping.

6. Carolyn Partridge – spoke in favor of electrification and climate change response.
7. Adrienne Fainman – discussed sustainable building and cost concerns.
8. Todd Boyle – shared concern over low-income housing and requested related data.
9. David Igl – shared concern over the historical representation of former residents.
10. Betzi Hitz – spoke in favor of building electrification.
11. Ellen Furstner – shared concern over the displacement of unhoused residents.
12. Ethan Klein – spoke in favor of building electrification.
13. Chuck Areford – spoke in favor of building electrification.
14. Paige Hopkins – spoke in favor of building electrification.
15. Kara Parker – spoke in favor of building electrification.
16. Melody DeStefano – spoke in favor of building electrification.
17. Eloise Navarro – spoke in favor of building electrification.
18. Abigail Gravatt – spoke in favor of building electrification.
19. Maddie Reese – spoke in favor of building electrification.
20. Lin Woodrich – spoke in favor of biking and pedestrian projects for the Bethel area.
21. Linda Kelley – spoke in favor of building electrification and electric lawn equipment.
22. Fred Mallery – requested consideration of Electric Vehicle chargers in future work.
23. Allen Hancock – spoke in favor of using bond funding for active transportation.
24. Justin Sandoval – spoke in favor of using bond funding for active transportation.
25. Steve Bade – spoke in favor of using bond funding for active transportation.
26. Jacob Trewe – spoke in favor of renter protections and building electrification.
27. Kathy Ging – expressed concern over total electric infrastructure.
28. Tomoko Sekiguchi – spoke in favor of building electrification.
29. William Smith – expressed concern about wireless safety.
30. Joshua Kern – expressed concerns over vaccines for children and wireless radiation.
31. Aya Cockram – spoke in favor of electrification and active transportation funding.

6. PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION – Resolution Adopting a Supplemental Budget; Making Appropriations for the City of Eugene for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2021 and Ending June 30, 2022.

Mayor Vinis opened the Public Hearing.

1. John Barofsky – spoke in favor of the proposed supplemental budget; discussed funding options.

Mayor Vinis closed the Public Hearing.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Zelenka – clarified that Eugene Water & Electric Board's (EWEB) Contribution In Lieu of Taxes goes into the budget's general fund; noted that the general fund is limited, and rededicating funds would cause cuts elsewhere in the general fund.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to adopt a resolution adopting a supplemental budget; making appropriations for the City of Eugene for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022. **PASSED 8:0**

7. PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION – A Resolution Adopting the Budget, Making Appropriations, Determining, Levying and Categorizing the Annual Ad Valorem Property Tax Levy for the City of Eugene for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2022 and Ending June 30, 2023; A Resolution Electing to Receive State Revenue Sharing Funds Pursuant to Section 221.770 of Oregon Revised Statutes; and a Resolution Certifying That the City of Eugene Provides the Municipal Services Required by Oregon Revised Statutes Section 221.760 in Order to Receive State Shared Revenues.

Mayor Vinis opened the Public Hearing.

1. Luke Barnard – expressed opposition to the funding allocated to the police.
2. Ethan Klein – expressed opposition to the funding allocated to the police.
3. John Barofsky – spoke in favor of the proposed budget; noted deviation from policy.
4. Jacob Trewe – expressed opposition to the funding allocated to the police.
5. Kevin Cronin – expressed opposition to the funding allocated to the police.

Mayor Vinis closed the Public Hearing.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to approve a resolution electing to receive state revenue sharing funds pursuant to section 221.770 of Oregon Revised Statutes. **PASSED 8:0**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to approve a resolution certifying that the City of Eugene provides the municipal services required by Oregon Revised Statutes section 221.760 in order to receive state shared revenues. **PASSED 8:0**

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to approve a resolution adopting the budget, making appropriations, determining, levying and categorizing the annual ad valorem property tax levy for the City of Eugene for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023. **PASSED 8:0**

Mayor Vinis closed the meeting of the Eugene City Council and convened a meeting of the Eugene Urban Renewal Agency.

8. PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION – A Resolution of the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Eugene Adopting the Budget, Making Appropriations, and Declaring the Amount of Tax to be Certified for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2022 and Ending June 30, 2023.

Mayor Vinis opened the Public Hearing.

1. John Barofsky – spoke in favor of approving the proposed budget.

Mayor Vinis closed the Public Hearing.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Syrett – stated EWEB’s increased Contribution In Lieu of Taxes has been factored into the Fiscal Year 23 Budget projections.
- Councilor Zelenka –reemphasized that reallocating general fund money would still require cutting other expenses in the general fund; stated that rental weatherization funding has been an ongoing issue.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to approve a resolution of the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Eugene adopting the budget, making appropriations, and declaring the amount of tax to be certified for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and Ending June 30, 2023. **PASSED 8:0**

Mayor Vinis closed the meeting of the Eugene Urban Renewal Agency and reconvened a meeting of the Eugene City Council.

9. ACTION: An Ordinance Concerning Public Contracts and Amending Sections 2.1400, 2.1405, 2.1415, 2.1420, 2.1425, 2.1430 and 2.1451 of the Eugene Code 1971.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to adopt the ordinance concerning public contracts and amending sections 2.1400, 2.1405, 2.1415, 2.1420, 2.1425, 2.1430 and 2.1451 of the Eugene Code, 1971. **PASSED 8:0**

Mayor Vinis adjourned the meeting at 9:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Olivia Clark)

Link to the webcast of this City Council meeting [here](#).

MINUTES

Eugene City Council Virtual Work Session Eugene, Oregon 97401

**June 29, 2022
12:00 p.m.**

Councilors Present: Claire Syrett, Matt Keating, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Randy Groves, Emily Semple, Alan Zelenka, Greg Evans

Mayor Vinis opened the June 29, 2022, work session of the Eugene City Council in a virtual format at 101 W. 10th Avenue, Suite 114, Eugene, OR 97401.

1. Work Session: Street Bond Renewal

Public Works Director Matt Rodrigues presented street bond information updates. John Horvick of DHM Research presented results from the City of Eugene Transportation Bond Survey.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Zelenka – asked to clarify that the property tax rate will not increase, not that the tax cost will not increase; noted that in the last bond the three important components were for people to know exactly what was going to be done, rough equity in which everyone gets some benefit, and accountability; stated concern that there is no list for the bike and pedestrian projects; asked if a statement can be added to the resolution to add a project list prior to going to voters; stated it is important for Council to commit to a set project list and make that a package.
- Councilor Groves – noted he is surprised that traffic calming and street lighting factored in as low as it did; noted Bethel Drive should be listed in Ward 6 and 7; asked staff why Blackburn Street is not on the list; asked how a street can be tied in to the Safe Routes to School program for pedestrian or bicycle upgrades.
- Councilor Keating – noted that some streets are listed multiple times and asked staff to explain why they are not one continuous project; asked what the process is for a Councilor to get a specific street project on the list; asked if the terms ‘complete streets’ and ‘traffic calming’ may have been misunderstood or misinterpreted by those who took the survey, resulting in reduced support for those items; asked if scooters were mentioned in the survey; indicated he would like to see polling data leading up to 2008, 2012 and 2017 bond votes.
- Councilor Clark – noted his concerns about safety and the upper area of Warren Street; asked staff if the regular funding for work discussed is funded by fuel taxes, not general funds; noted a desire to find a way for bike and pedestrian traffic to help pay for those paths; asked if there have been discussions about revenue sources from bicyclists; noted a local bicycle licensing system would bring in funding and help the police with stolen bicycles.
- Councilor Yeh – noted that the streets she gets complaints about are unimproved streets that would not qualify for these funds; noted that a small percentage responded that they would be in favor if the projects included unimproved streets; asked if the

survey results can show where certain responses came from geographically; noted she is concerned that there is not a list of projects to show how the money will be used;

- Councilor Syrett – asked for clarification about the Bethel Drive project location; asked staff to clarify the Irvington Road project location; noted she is in support of motion option two and adding street trees to the projects; asked if there is a way to provide a list of bike/pedestrian projects before the ballot measure statement is due or before November 8.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted that the reason specific lists were provided previously was to create and build trust and accountability; suggested that the list could have dollars invested, not number of streets, and asked to confirm that list will be available for the July 13, 2022, work session; noted that Scott Altenhoff, Urban Forestry Management Analyst, indicated that Eugene can meet the 30 percent tree canopy goal by using right-of-way lands without regulating private land trees; asked staff if they agree with Mr. Altenhoff's opinion of the tree canopy goal; noted he is in favor of developing a project list over the next four months.
- Councilor Keating – noted that he does feel this is the right time, politically, to go for a street bond renewal; noted that he would support option two with increased bike and pedestrian path and street tree funding; noted his reservations about going for a bond in a mid-term election year, in the current political and economic climate.
- Councilor Syrett – noted in 2012 and 2017 that the polling was close to what the end result of the vote was; agreed that having a project list was an advantage in those previous bond measures; recognized the benefit of having the ability to complete projects as they arise when no prescribed list exists; said she would prefer if language were added to direct city staff to work on engagement with the Active Transportation and the Vision Zero committees to develop a list that Council would be responsible for educating the public with.

MOTION and VOTE: Councilor Keating, seconded by Councilor Syrett, moved to extend the meeting by fifteen minutes. **PASSED 7:1**, opposed by Councilor Semple.

- Councilor Clark – stated he believes that a project list is important; asked staff to clarify why there is an issue providing a project list; suggested altering the process in the future so that the project information comes with the resolution.
- Mayor Vinis – noted that staff had indicated there could be guidance in developing the list with stakeholders.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted that Council directing staff to make a project list is not advocating, it is normal work; asked staff to research the issue of staff creating the list; noted it is important to inform voters and make commitments to specific work; asked to confirm that Council can state that a list will be created and adhered to.
- Councilor Keating – noted that the Lane Community College bond made it clear where the bond dollars would be spent and the college informed the public of that list; asked why pollsters look for support level higher than 60 percent in polling on issues; asked if bond dollars can be used to address areas where streets need cleaning or repair due to unhoused encampments; asked if it is possible for Public Works to denote what projects are being done in response to damage created by an unhoused encampment.

- Councilor Syrett – asked staff to confirm that staff can and will make a list of projects but cannot do so until after the vote in November; asked the City Attorney if Council can add language regarding a forthcoming list in the July meeting or if it must be added in the motion in this meeting.

MOTION: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to direct the City Manager to bring back for the Council's consideration a resolution for placing a \$61.2 million GO bond measure on the November 2022 ballot to fund capital pavement preservation, walking projects, biking projects, safety projects, and street tree projects, and that dedicates \$3 million of those bond funds per year (\$15 million) to walking, biking, safety, and street tree projects, and thereby dedicates the remaining \$46.2 million to capital pavement preservation and bond issuance costs.

- Councilor Keating moved to substitute November 2022 for November 2023. The motion was not seconded and was withdrawn.

VOTE ON MOTION: PASSED 8:0

Mayor Vinis adjourned the meeting at 1:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Sara McKinney)
Webcast of meeting available [here](#).

MINUTES

Eugene City Council Work Session Eugene, Oregon 97401

July 11, 2022
5:30 p.m.

Councilors Present: Claire Syrett, Matt Keating, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Randy Groves, Emily Semple, Alan Zelenka, Greg Evans

Mayor Vinis opened the July 11, 2022, work session of the Eugene City Council in a hybrid in-person/virtual format at 101 W. 10th Avenue, Suite 114, Eugene, OR 97401.

1. **Work Session: Sale and Use of Personal Fireworks**

City Manager Sarah Medary introduced Interim Fire Chief Scott Cockrum who presented information regarding personal fireworks use and the existing ban in Eugene.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Semple – noted that despite her love of fireworks, it is time to ban personal use of them.
- Councilor Syrett – stated it is past time for a citywide prohibition on sale and use of fireworks; noted there will need to be an educational component and enforcement; noted that multiple Oregon cities have already banned the sale and use; shared a personal story from her past about fireworks and fire danger; stated it is important to move on this item soon so that nonprofits who rely on fireworks sales for fundraising can prepare and plan accordingly.
- Councilor Yeh – noted a desire to do the right thing; asked staff to explain if the current, legal fireworks are dangerous.
- Councilor Groves – stated his preference is for a complete ban on the sale and use of personal fireworks; explained ways that currently legal fireworks are altered that makes them more dangerous and illegal; noted a total ban would lessen confusion in enforcement and reporting; noted the impact fireworks have on those with post-traumatic stress disorder, domestic animals, and wildlife; noted that education and enforcement will determine how successful a ban will be.
- Councilor Keating – stated support for a complete ban on sale and use of personal fireworks; noted that this ban would not ban professional displays at events; asked staff to clarify if the numbers of reports from 2021 and 2022 came from the app or from the Eugene Police non-emergency line; noted that many people had issues using the reporting app; stated he would be interested in seeing a report from the non-emergency line as well; stated his concern for those who are impacted by fireworks.
- Councilor Clark – indicated he would likely vote against the proposed ban; asked if staff remembers a time when exploding or flying fireworks were not illegal in the city of Eugene; noted these types of fireworks have been illegal for decades; noted that negative impacts to people and animals are from illegal fireworks and enforcement is the issue.

- Councilor Zelenka – stated his preference is a complete citywide ban based on the fire danger and negative impacts on people and pets; noted the enforcement on a total ban will be easier than banning specific types; suggested that Council donate to or match a grant for a 4th of July celebration in the future.
- Councilor Syrett – asked staff if a full ban is more helpful in enforcement; noted that legal fireworks are loud and dangerous for users and manufacturers; asked staff to clarify what a smoke bomb is; stated she has no concern with sparklers as they are quiet and less dangerous.
- Councilor Semple – noted that the biggest issue is fire danger and it is too easy to start fires with any type of fireworks; stated that the noise factor is a large issue that causes distress to people and animals; clarified that public or professional shows would still be allowed in the July 3rd to July 5th time frame; noted that she would appreciate having free, accessible public fireworks shows; stated she is in favor of having a community celebration.
- Councilor Groves – stated he would be in support of a community-wide display; noted that sparklers burn between 1,200 and 2,000 degrees; stated that currently legal fireworks can be dangerous based on how they are used, stored and disposed of; noted Council's number one priority is to protect residents and banning personal fireworks mitigates a lot of risks.
- Councilor Clark – noted that he would also support a community celebration; asked if it is possible to host a professional show on Skinners Butte so that all residents can see it.
- Councilor Keating – stated he would be interested in looking at funding a community event with revenue generated from something such as a fine for using banned fireworks; asked how it will progress from education to enforcement if a total ban is enacted; asked to confirm that there were 11 fires since 2012 in the banned area south of 18th and east of Agate, with three of those taking place during the ban; questioned if a community-wide show is the right message to send when banning fireworks; noted an interest in using technology, such as drones, for a community celebration show.
- Councilor Zelenka – stated that providing a spectacular community fireworks show would provide an alternative for those who want to experience fireworks as part of their celebration; noted the importance to move quickly to give notice to nonprofits who sell fireworks as a fundraiser.
- Councilor Semple – stated it is important to her that a community fireworks show is free for all who wish to attend.
- Councilor Syrett – noted a desire for a future work session regarding a municipal fireworks display; stated she would support the display on Skinners Butte with input from residents at Ya-Po-Ah Terrace; noted that the display could start with Council contingency funds but eventually be built into the budget; said she is interested in eventually moving to technology displays that Councilor Keating suggested.
- Mayor Vinis – expressed appreciation for the presentation and the insight that Interim Chief brings from experiences in other municipalities; stated she is in support of a community celebration.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to direct the City Manager to prepare an ordinance prohibiting the use and sale of

all consumer fireworks citywide and schedule a public hearing on the ordinance in the fall. **PASSED: 7:1**, opposed by Councilor Clark

2. **Work Session: University of Oregon Project Proposal**

City Manager Sarah Medary provided background information on a previous motion by Council to have the City Manager bring project ideas to Council when it is determined that the project has merit. City Manager Medary introduced Executive Director of Planning and Development Denny Braud, who presented information regarding a proposed University of Oregon project and land swap.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Keating – noted his support for the Science Center to move into the EWEB building and said he would support the project if this were part of the deal; noted that it would take a generation for trees to fill in the project area; noted concern about University of Oregon potentially changing conferences; stated that the Science Center should be at the forefront of the discussion; stated he does not believe that it is in the City's best interest to move forward with the proposed land swap and project.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted his concerns have been about parking for the Cuthbert Amphitheater and the Science Center and this project appears to improve the parking for both; noted that the community will benefit from the upgraded Americans with Disabilities Act parking improvements and the stormwater upgrades; asked staff to confirm that the Science Center is comfortable with the plan; stated he thinks that the 8.1 acre land swap is good for the community, the bike path, and the new Riverfront Park; noted increased vendor space at the Cuthbert would also be a benefit.
- Councilor Groves – noted that this is an early phase and an opportunity for Council to direct the City Manager to gather more information; noted that small parts of the project such as moving the fence line for the Cuthbert to allow more vendors, give added value to the proposed project; noted that proposed changes in college sports cannot be controlled by Council and that the University of Oregon is a great community partner that brings wealth into the community; noted that gaining more riverfront space connecting to the Riverfront Park helps to link areas back to each other.
- Councilor Yeh – noted that the proposal has improved since the initial project discussions; asked if this is the only option for the University of Oregon or the easiest; noted that once land is given up it is gone forever and Council must be extremely thoughtful about swapping land; asked how important the new facility is to their program.
- Councilor Clark – noted that the net benefit is the most important thing to consider.
- Councilor Semple – noted that the project is intriguing and will upgrade the area; noted that she is in favor of the swap to gain more riverfront property for the City.
- Councilor Syrett – asked how close Leo Harris Parkway would be moved to the canoe canal; noted concern regarding the money that some spend on college sports when there are many in the community who are suffering; stated that the University could go further to offer support to the Science Center; noted that mitigation plans present many improvements; stated that she would want a memorandum of understanding that the new facility would be available to the City in the case of an emergency that would require a safe indoor space; stated that she would want the majority of the land swap to be park land, not parking.

- Councilor Zelenka – noted that the proposed facility would be all electric and use local timber; agreed with Councilor Syrett regarding using the facility for emergency situations; stated the swap would be asphalt for park land and a dramatic net increase in park land; outlined some improvements that the City would gain in the land swap.
- Councilor Yeh – stated that parking is needed for people to get to and enjoy the parks; stated she would like to hear how the new park land would impact the parks department; noted that a memorandum regarding emergency use of facility should clearly state who determines when it is an emergency; asked if there would be a formal public hearing on this item; noted she would like public input and engagement on the project; stated she would like the City Manager to continue discussions about this project.
- Councilor Groves – asked staff what the total square footage difference is between the Moshofsky Center and the new proposed indoor practice space; noted the new space would create a second emergency gathering place; asked if there are any deed restrictions that Council should be concerned about.
- Councilor Syrett – noted that she is in favor of public engagement but does not see a need for public hearing at this point; asked if the City Manager needs more direction from Council.

MOTION: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to authorize the City Manager to negotiate with the University of Oregon and develop a more detailed proposal for City Council to consider taking action on after summer break.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Semple – asked to clarify what action would be taken after summer break.

VOTE: PASSED 7:1, opposed by Councilor Keating

Mayor Vinis adjourned the meeting at 1:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Sara McKinney)
Webcast of meeting available [here](#).

MINUTES

**Eugene City Council
Hybrid Meeting
Eugene, Oregon 97401**

**July 11, 2022
7:30 p.m.**

Councilors Present: Emily Semple, Matt Keating, Alan Zelenka, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Randy Groves, Claire Syrett, Greg Evans

Mayor Vinis opened the July 11, 2022, meeting of the Eugene City Council in a hybrid in-person and virtual format at 101 W. 10th Avenue, Suite 114, Eugene, OR 97401.

1. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

- Councilor Syrett – noted the Intergovernmental Relations Committee met on July 6, 2022, and is preparing for the 2023 legislative session; reported that the committee went over the legislative policy document, the underlying document that it works from to identify priorities, and made a draft of what the priorities will be for City of Eugene staff to pay attention to during the upcoming legislative session; stated the committee also went over the League of Oregon Cities priorities and focus; noted that the next committee meeting will work further on this and the full list will be shared with Council when complete.
- Mayor Vinis – noted that she and Councilor Keating attended a ribbon-cutting for a new mural, a tribute to the Kalapuya people and the stewardship of the land, at Dr. Edwin Coleman, Jr. Community Center wall; encouraged others to visit the mural.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR 1

A. Approval of City Council Minutes

- April 18, 2022, Public Hearing
- May 9, 2022, Work Session
- May 9, 2022, Meeting
- May 11, 2022, Work Session
- May 18, 2022, Public Hearing
- May 24, 2022, Special Meeting
- June 8, 2022, Work Session
- June 15, 2022, Work Session

B. Approval of City Council Tentative Agenda

C. Appointment of Civilian Review Board Representative to Police Commission

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to approve the items on Consent Calendar 1. **PASSED: 8:0**

3. PUBLIC FORUM

1. Natalie Gillard – spoke in favor of fossil-free Eugene and building electrification.
2. Thomas Newman – spoke in favor of building electrification and active transportation.
3. Ann Turner – spoke in favor of building electrification.
4. Melissa Hebin – spoke in favor of building electrification.
5. Lin Woodrich – spoke regarding Bethel area evacuation plans.
6. Bowe Johnson – spoke in favor of building electrification.
7. Joann Shotola – spoke against proposed renter protections.
8. Susan Ten Pas – spoke in support of a fireworks ban.
9. Victoria Whalen – spoke in support of building electrification.
10. Tom Peck – spoke in favor of banning new natural gas connections.
11. Jeremy Aasum – spoke in favor of the public health overlay.
12. Kari Norgaard – spoke in favor of building electrification.
13. Todd Boyle – spoke regarding issues with middle housing parking.
14. Richard Locke – spoke about Atlantic Street and safe sleep sites.
15. Ali Lee – spoke in favor of building electrification.
16. Kathryn Dunn – spoke against proposed renter protections.
17. Sophia Larabee – spoke in favor of building electrification.
18. Paige Hopkins – spoke in favor of building electrification.
19. Jim Neu – spoke in favor of banning fireworks and building electrification.
20. Laurie Powell – spoke in favor of banning fireworks and building electrification.
21. Mason Leavitt – spoke in favor of building electrification and fossil-free Eugene.
22. Bethany Cotton – spoke in favor of building electrification.
23. Nancy Ahnert – spoke to climate action and support for building electrification.
24. Jacqui Treiger – spoke to climate action and support for building electrification.
25. Jan Fillinger – spoke in favor of building electrification and against fossil fuel use.
26. Danny Noonan – spoke in favor of building electrification.
27. Valerie Rosenberg – spoke in favor of building electrification.
28. Aidan Bassett – spoke in favor of building electrification.
29. Chuck Areford – spoke about climate change and in favor of building electrification.
30. Dwayne Swezey – spoke about having to close his business due to issues with transient behaviors.
31. Meta Maxwell – spoke in opposition to EmX expansion and Moving Ahead.
32. Zach Mulholland – spoke in favor of building electrification.
33. Natalie Crowder – spoke in opposition to EmX and Moving Ahead.
34. William Smith – spoke regarding the health dangers of 5g and Wi-Fi.
35. Allen Hancock – spoke in favor of the street bond renewal.
36. Sue Wolling – spoke in favor of the street bond renewal.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Syrett – expressed appreciation for hearing from Ward 7 residents; stated the importance of reporting fireworks to ensure that proper documentation is made so that the reports can be used for future enforcement deployments; noted that there is more than one shelter in Eugene that is resident-managed; stated that it is very common for municipalities to have an intersection between the thing they are trying to create and the activity in the community that is generating that, and therefore logical to add a fee for landlords to pay, in order to add more renter’s rights education.

- Councilor Groves – noted that Atlantic Street is a good working and unconventional model; expressed sympathy for and apologized to Mr. Swezey for the experience that was shared in the forum; noted that the City of Eugene has made good progress but has a long way to go in correcting the issues with bad behaviors of some unhoused individuals.
- Councilor Semple – expressed appreciation for the pro-electrification speakers; apologized to Mr. Swezey for his experience with bad behavior by some unhoused individuals; noted that Atlantic Street is impressive.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted that on Wednesday July 13, 2022, the Oregon Global Warming Commission meeting will be presenting some interesting analysis showing where Oregon is in meeting its greenhouse gas emissions reduction goal.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR 2

A. Adoption of a Resolution Annexing Land at River Loop 1 Road and River Loop 2 Road for the Santa Clara Community Park

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to approve the items on Consent Calendar 2. **PASSED 8:0**

5. POSSIBLE ACTION: Renter Protections - Phase 1

City Manager Sarah Medary introduced the topic and gave background information regarding the topic.

MOTION: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to adopt an Ordinance Concerning Rental Housing and Amending Sections 8.405, 8.415, 8.425, 8.430, and 8.440 of the Eugene Code, 1971.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Groves – noted he has met with both tenants and landlords throughout this process to try to find common ground; stated that he would like to have representative from each side, landlords and tenants, come together to try to find common ground on which to protect tenants and to take into account the risks landlords assume; noted he saw two rental homes for sale on his drive in to the meeting; stated that Council must be careful with the next steps that it takes.
- Councilor Syrett – asked staff to clarify if photos are the only method used to validate withholding a security deposit; stated she is satisfied with the Phase 1 list; noted that the screening cap would have to come before Council to change the cost in the future; noted that the housing navigator is not duplicative and would be for community members who are not involved in social services.
- Councilor Zelenka – asked if staff had a response to the three questions he emailed prior to the meeting; asked staff to provide examples of additional enforcement paths that were mentioned in Attachment C; stated he does not think that using the court is a good path for enforcement; asked how the specific screening fee would be located in the administrative rule and if it could be located in both the administrative rule and in an ordinance; asked for an estimate of the annual cost for navigator and administration in dollars

per year and the increase that would mean for the current \$10 fee; noted that he recently walked around his house and video recorded everything in every room and it took one minute and 28 seconds to do; said it did not seem overly burdensome for a landlord to document property and damages; stated that in Attachment D staff provided research that shows there was an increase in multi-family units and an overall decrease in single-family units in Portland from 2015 to 2020; asked staff to speak to the information in the reports previously mentioned.

- Councilor Clark – noted that he believes the intention of the proposed protections are good but this ordinance will make it harder and more expensive for tenants; noted that in his work, he sees rentals being sold, causing tenant evictions every week; stated that the proposed ordinance will make it too hard for landlords to remain in business in Eugene; urged Council to vote against this item.
- Councilor Evans – asked staff if there is any local data regarding racial discrimination in evictions or access to rental housing; inquired if the person hired would be responsible for developing, gathering, housing and analyzing the information for baseline data; asked staff what the additional data will be used for; asked if there will be any kind of punitive action for those determined to be engaging in discriminatory actions; asked staff to send him notes about how it will be handled if a landlord is determined to have discriminated against a tenant or potential tenant.
- Councilor Syrett – clarified that if the \$10 screening fee item was put into an administrative order, then the City Manager could change it without Council approval.

MOTION TO AMEND: Councilor Groves, seconded by Councilor Clark, moved to amend section three of the ordinance to change the maximum applicant screening charge from ten dollars to twenty-five dollars so that Eugene Code 8.425 sub 14 reads as follows: the amount of any applicant screening charge may not exceed the amount of an applicant screening charge allowed by ORS 90.295 or \$25, whichever is less.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Groves – noted that he is making this motion to try to strike a balance between tenants and landlords; stated he finds elements from both sides compelling and he does not know what a good balancing point would be; noted that landlords have told him it costs more than \$45 to do the basics to screen applicants, while tenants often apply for multiple properties and must pay each time which is unaffordable for many; noted a desire for mediation between landlord and tenant groups to implement a good strategy to move forward.
- Councilor Keating – noted he will not support the motion; stated he has heard from landlords that it does not cost more than \$25 to run a proper background check and it can be done for \$10; noted concern about a landlord creating new names for fees to get around the ordinance; noted that the \$10 fee cap keeps it affordable for applicants.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted state laws regarding an application fee refund; stated that suing landlords is not a good way to enforce fee refunds; noted that some bad actors

are causing a problem; stated that ideally fees should be refunded if the applicant is rejected; noted that the system does not work the way it should and this proposal may fix it; asked what happens if a landlord charges 100 applicants the \$10 fee; clarified that the only way to recoup the fee is to sue the landlord; noted that many people, including Councilor Keating, have reported having to pay hundreds of dollars in their rental search; asked Councilor Groves to clarify how an increase to a \$25 fee allowance will help prevent applicants from having to pay large amounts when searching for a rental.

- Councilor Evans – asked if there is a happy medium in creating a claw back to allow an applicant to recoup all or part of the fee if they are denied the rental unit; noted that the fees should not be an additional revenue source.
- Councilor Syrett – noted that Council has heard from landlords who do not have any issue with the fee cap; noted that having the renter enforce the fee caps is not ideal; noted that the ordinance would limit any fee charged prior to an application, not just a screening fee; stated the public process has been fair and transparent throughout and a mediated process is not needed.
- Councilor Clark – noted the housing subcommittee process was not fairly represented by both sides and did not allow for full and free conversation; stated that Council cannot decide between \$10 and \$25 which shows that the ordinance is not right yet as these details should have been agreed to before this time.
- Councilor Yeh – noted that she and Councilor Groves recently participated in a Chamber of Commerce/Council meeting that included a man who does screening fees; noted that screening fees are not intended to be revenue-generating, however the man they spoke with said many landlords use it as an income generator; stated that capping the fee at \$10 will help to discourage landlords from using it as an income-generating item; noted she will not support increasing in the fee cap to \$25.
- Councilor Semple - asked staff to clarify how many applications landlords screen; stated that \$10 may not cover the entire cost of screening but would discourage accepting and screening multiple applicants.
- Councilor Zelenka – asked how revenue generating can be prevented; noted that applicants would have to know how many people were screened and then sue the landlord to recover their application fee which would cost them more than the fee itself; noted that some landlords do not charge a fee; stated the cap can be revisited at a future date.

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND: FAILED 3:5, opposed by councilors Semple, Syrett, Keating, Yeh and Evans

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION: PASSED 6:2, opposed by councilors Groves and Clark

The meeting was adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Sara McKinney)

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MINUTES

**Eugene City Council
Hybrid Public Hearing and Work Session
Eugene, Oregon 97401**

**July 18, 2022
5:30 p.m.**

Councilors Present: Emily Semple, Matt Keating, Alan Zelenka, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Randy Groves, Claire Syrett, Greg Evans

Councilor Syrett opened the July 18, 2022, Public Hearing and Work Session of the Eugene City Council in a hybrid in-person and virtual format at 101 W. 10th Avenue, Suite 114, Eugene, OR 97401.

1. PUBLIC HEARING - An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 20650 (Temporary Establishment of “Safe Parking” and “Safe Tent” Sites That Are Larger Than Allowed Under Section 4.816 of the Eugene Code, 1971); and Extending Its Sunset Date

Sarah Medary provided background information and introduced the topic.

Councilor Syrett opened the Public Hearing.

1. Richard Locke – opposed extending the safe tent and vehicle site ordinance.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Groves – noted that he looks forward to the day when Safe Sleep Sites are not needed.
- Councilor Semple – stated that the Safe Sleep Sites should be extended; noted that there are still many unhoused and providing a safe place for them to sleep is important.
- Councilor Keating – shared his recent experience with an unhoused individual with severe injuries; noted that the Safe Sleep Site ordinance extension is needed; stated a need for a stabilization center to open prior to 2025.

2. PUBLIC HEARING – An Ordinance Amending Transient Lodging Tax Code Provisions in Chapter 3 of the Eugene Code, 1971, to Enable Tax Collection by the Oregon Department of Revenue on the City’s Behalf and Providing for an Effective Date

Sarah Medary provided background information and introduced the topic.

Councilor Syrett opened the Public Hearing.

There were no speakers for the Public Hearing.

Councilor Syrett closed the Public Hearing.

3. WORK SESSION: Discussion Regarding Irkutsk, Russia Sister City

City Manager, Sarah Medary, introduced the topic and gave background information regarding the Russia Sister City.

Policy Analyst, Jason Dedrick, presented information regarding Irkutsk, Russia Sister City, and options for moving forward.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Groves – noted that he has changed his position on this topic due to recent conversations and he now supports a suspension or revocation of the relationship.
- Councilor Clark – noted he is concerned about the money and people involved in supporting the program; asked staff to elaborate on the program further; asked staff if the City has heard from the sister city board regarding the issue; stated that the sister city relationships are important to maintain.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted that Council does not know if the letter sent to Irkutsk's Mayor was received; provided a brief overview of the original intent of the sister city programs; noted he would prefer to suspend the Irkutsk program as a sign of respect to Ukraine.
- Councilor Yeh – noted that the sister city program needs reevaluation as it is a government-run program in other countries; stated that the program deserves a re-look to determine if it is being properly run and funded; stated that she would support suspending the Irkutsk relationship and reevaluating at a later time.
- Councilor Syrett – stated that she is in support of suspending the Irkutsk program under the current circumstances; noted she is in favor of reevaluating the sister city program at a later work session.
- Councilor Evans – stated he is in favor of suspending the Irkutsk relationship but not terminating it completely; noted he is in favor of reevaluating the sister city program; indicated he would like Council to consider sending any funds set aside for the Irkutsk program to Ukraine relief efforts; asked staff to come back with a comparable Ukrainian city to consider supporting.
- Councilor Semple – noted that the people-to-people purpose of the sister city program is not happening and due to Russian aggression in Ukraine, she would support suspending the Irkutsk program; noted that she does not support revocation of the program; said that this is an important program and needs more attention and effort.
- Councilor Keating – noted appreciation for the previous efforts from Council in sending \$10,000 to Ukraine for relief efforts; noted that there is a need for a partnership with a Ukrainian city; stated Council should explore sister city relationships in Africa, South America and beyond; asked what a timeline would be for examining and possibly expanding it; expressed appreciation for the way the community has embraced Ukrainian athletes during Oregon 22; stated that the best way for Eugene to show that it promotes peace is to suspend the Irkutsk program.
- Councilor Zelenka – asked staff how the \$10,000 sent to Ukraine was used.

- Councilor Evans – noted that he was approached regarding a sister city with Cologne, Panama at a time when the budget was tight; noted that he would like to discuss this at a later work session.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Keating, seconded by Councilor Yeh, moved to suspend the sister city relationship with Irkutsk.

VOTE: PASSED 8:0

4. WORK SESSION: 5th Street Market Expansion Project Update

Will Dowdy, Community Development Director, presented a 5th Street Market expansion update.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Semple – asked staff if the baggage building, a historic building, is being removed as part of the proposed expansion; noted that a two-story building would block much of the view of Skinners Butte so a taller building would not be much different.
- Councilor Groves – noted that 325 new housing units is a huge thing for the current housing crisis; noted that populating the downtown area is a good way to help combat behavioral issues; stated he is very interested in how Council will proceed; asked staff what discussions or actions need to take place to lift or raise the 150-foot limit in the C-Zone in the core of downtown; noted that some developers have indicated that projects would work better with a higher height limit; asked the City Attorney how long ago the 150-foot limit was set.
- Councilor Keating – noted he is in favor of building up instead of out; stated his preference would be to have the location of the proposed building and parking flipped to not box off an area by the railroad; asked staff if there would be a setback for the proposed building; asked what the price point will be for the proposed housing units and if it will be luxury housing; asked staff to clarify if the units will be market-rate housing or income-qualified; stated it would be prudent for Council to revisit Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption options; asked when the last time Council adjusted the Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption parameters.
- Councilor Syrett – noted her enthusiasm for more housing downtown; asked how soon the item would come back to Council if the process for a code change were initiated; asked if commercial setbacks would apply to this project; noted that the Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption program does require either a percent of the units have an income threshold or the developer contribute a portion of dollars to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund; noted that the trust fund has been put to good use already.
- Councilor Clark – stated that the Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption program is a significant part of the Housing Implementation Plan and increasing housing downtown; stated he would be opposed to ending the Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption program; noted that the decision was made for Eugene to grow up and densify downtown rather than expand boundaries; stated this project fulfills a number of longstanding Council plans that have been made over the years; noted that easing height limitations is needed to move forward with the plan to densify and build up in Eugene.

- Councilor Zelenka – noted that the new setbacks would apply citywide and he would be surprised if it did not apply in this instance; stated he would have great concerns regarding allowing waivers for any setback; asked staff what the residential height limitation is; noted that C-2 zone height limit is 120-feet and located all over the city; stated that Eugene is unique in allowing the 120-foot building height in C-2 zones and he would like to have a work session to examine this in the future; noted that he would like to see the Oregon Electric Station and the old train building preserved; noted he is in support of gaining 325 new housing units; stated he is not in favor of Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption program use; stated it would be worth discussing whether or not to increase the affordable housing contribution in the Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption program.
- Councilor Groves – asked when and for how long the Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption program was suspended; asked how many multi-unit housing developments were constructed downtown while the Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption program was suspended; asked staff if the Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption program is an important component in creating compact urban housing in downtown; asked staff if trickle down housing has an impact on the housing crisis overall; asked staff to confirm that there is a provision in the proposed expansion that provides a contribution to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund; asked staff to define moderate priced housing.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted a multi-unit housing structure on Franklin Boulevard that was constructed without the use of the Multi-Unit Property Tax Exempt program; noted that in most instances if a Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption is an option, developers will apply for it.
- Councilor Clark – noted that the Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption revision established that an analysis must be made to determine the economic feasibility of the project and whether the Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption is required prior to coming to Council; stated that any housing that can be built is a very good idea right now; stated that if the University of Oregon succeeds in changing conferences the enrollment numbers could increase drastically and have a major impact on housing.
- Councilor Yeh – noted that an independent financial analysis is done on Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption applications; confirmed that staff would like Council's questions to bring back answers and information at a later work session or meeting.
- Councilor Syrett – noted that no buildings were built in the core of downtown without the Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption; noted that student housing was the only housing getting funded during the recession; noted that the revised Multi-Unit Tax Exemption program excludes student-focused housing.
- Councilor Keating – noted that there is a plethora of student housing in Eugene; stated he would like a work session on underscoring the need for flexibility with student housing to make it community housing; stated that he is proposing an adjustment to the Multi-Unit Tax Exemption program that increases the contribution to affordable housing.

5. WORK SESSION: City Manager Compensation

Councilor Syrett re-introduced the tabled topic of City Manager Sarah Medary's compensation from the July 13, 2022, Work Session.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Keating – asked if Councilor Semple would agree to a friendly amendment to insert the dollar figure \$256,000 in place of \$260,000.
- Councilor Semple – stated that it is important to catch up to the industry standard and that \$260,000 is the correct number; noted that Sarah’s evaluation was outstanding and the compensation should be based on that evaluation; stated that she will compromise and accept the friendly amendment.
- Councilor Syrett – accepted the friendly amendment as the seconder of the motion.
- Councilor Evans – asked to clarify whether or not the City Manager is the highest paid employee; asked if Council can put the 10 percent gap into another motion to ensure that the City Manager is 10 percent above the next highest executive in the City.
- Councilor Groves – stated he would like a fair and equitable way that can be explained to the public regarding staff salary; asked if the executive managers are paid 10 percent higher than their division managers; noted that to attract and retain quality executives and talent it is important to have a good methodology that depersonalizes pay structures.
- Councilor Clark – noted concern that the City Manager position is in charge of setting executive pay levels, and developing a structure that ensures the City Manager salary is 10 percent above the executives could create issues in the future; stated that it is important to figure out the exact numbers for the situation, not a range or structure.

MOTION TO AMEND RESTATED AND VOTE: Councilor Semple, seconded by Councilor Syrett, moved to amend the original motion to set the amount of compensation at \$256,000. **VOTE: PASSED 8:0**

VOTE ON MOTION AS AMENDED: PASSED 8:0

MOTION: Councilor Evans, seconded by Councilor Groves, move to set the City Manager salary range at 10 percent over the highest paid executive in the city.

City Attorney provided Council with clarifying information to show this motion would set the salary range below the salary that Council previously voted to approve.

Councilor Evans withdrew the motion.

MOTION: Councilor Evans, seconded by Councilor Groves, moved to stipulate during annual reconsideration of the City Managers compensation the Council President and Vice President be presented with the highest paid executive salary and the number that is 10 percent higher.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Zelenka – noted that by approving this motion, Human Resources would become the decider of the City Manager salary; stated that Council should not set an automatic salary adjustment and should only provide guidance for future discussions regarding the City Manager salary; suggested a friendly amendment for

Council to adopt a policy that strives to compensate the City Manager at a level that maintains a 10 percent differential with the highest paid executives.

- Councilor Keating – noted that he does not believe that this motion is necessary and he will not support the motion; noted that a pay increase for the lowest wage earners would benefit the workforce greater than codifying a 10 percent pay buffer between the City Manager and the next highest executive.
- Councilor Groves – noted that the information that is stipulated in the motion is not automatic currently and was not received as part of the information for consideration; noted that the motion calls for data to assist Council in determining the salary for the City Manager in the future.

VOTE: PASSED 6:2, opposed by councilors Keating and Semple

MOTION: Councilor Keating, seconded by Councilor Yeh, moved to authorize the Council President to execute an amendment to City Manager Sarah Medary's employment contract establishing a range of \$220,000 to \$281,760 for the City Manager position and for the range to adjust consistent with COLA adjustments for non-represented staff.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Syrett – proposed a friendly amendment to move the top end of the range to \$295,000; stated that comparable salaries for City Manager positions in other municipalities are much higher and to stay competitive \$281,000 is too low; the friendly amendment was accepted.

MOTION (with friendly amendment): Councilor Keating, seconded by Councilor Yeh, moved to authorize the Council President to execute an amendment to City Manager Sarah Medary's employment contract establishing a range of \$220,000 to \$295,000 for the City Manager position and for the range to adjust consistent with COLA adjustments for non-represented staff.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Clark – asked to clarify the starting number for the range; asked if Council is bound by the charter to determine the City Manager's pay every year.
- Council Syrett – asked staff to explain the benefit of setting a salary range for the City Manager's position.
- Councilor Semple – stated that the salary range is unnecessary.
- Councilor Groves – noted that ranges help benchmark across jurisdictional lines, comparables and help negotiate a new employee salary.
- Councilor Syrett – noted that a salary range can help a potential staff member to see what their salary could be; stated that there is good rationale for setting a range.
- Councilor Evans – stated that being able to negotiate within a salary range is important and a common practice; noted that to remain competitive and have a negotiating position to work from, a salary range should be established.

- Councilor Zelenka – noted that a salary range is not necessary but can offer structure to future councils; noted that a salary range would be in line with how other positions are structured in the City.
- Councilor Keating – stated that the City Manager position should not have a salary range and can be established if needed in the future.
- Councilor Clark – noted that the City Manager position should not be treated as any other position in the City; stated that Council should not set a range until it is necessary.
- Councilor Syrett – asked staff to clarify that the motion is specific to Sarah Medary’s contract, not future City Managers.

MOTION RESTATED AND VOTE: Councilor Keating, seconded by Councilor Yeh, moved to authorize the Council President to execute an amendment to City Manager Sarah Medary’s employment contract establishing a range of \$220,000 to \$295,000 for the City Manager position and for the range to adjust consistent with COLA adjustments for non-represented staff. **VOTE: PASSED 5:3**, opposed by councilors Clark, Keating and Semple.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Keating, seconded by Councilor Yeh, moved to authorize the Council President to execute an amendment to City Manager Sarah Medary’s employment contract updating the schedule for Medary’s annual performance evaluation and merit compensation increases. **VOTE: PASSED 8:0**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Sara McKinney)

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MINUTES

Eugene City Council Work Session Eugene, Oregon 97401

July 20, 2022
12:00 p.m.

Councilors Present: Claire Syrett, Matt Keating, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Randy Groves, Emily Semple, Alan Zelenka

Councilors Absent: Greg Evans

Councilor Syrett opened the July 20, 2022, work session of the Eugene City Council in a hybrid format at 101 W. 10th Avenue, Suite 114, Eugene, OR 97401.

1. WORK SESSION: Decarbonization Roadmap

City Manager Sarah Medary introduced Public Works Director Matt Rodrigues, and Good Company's Josh Proudfoot, who presented the results of the report "City of Eugene Community Decarbonization by 2045 for Existing Residential, Commercial, and Industrial Buildings Energy Use – Part 1 Residential - Draft".

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Clark – asked to confirm whether the dam removals on the Snake River will decrease supply to Bonneville by 33 percent and, if so, what the cost and reliability impact will be; asked how power supply can be increased in the short-term; encouraged Council to read the article that was emailed to them about Bonneville.
- Councilor Keating – asked why Eugene solar power use is at 0.1 percent and why Eugene is not leaning further into solar power usage; asked if Council could legally create a consumption fee that targets gas-powered tools, new and used cars, kitchen equipment, etc. to fund a clean energy fund.
- Councilor Groves – asked to clarify the costs per unit that was presented; noted that he has been tracking the Snake River hydro projects; asked if Oregon would get roughly the same solar power production as Germany based on the comparative climates.
- Councilor Syrett – asked what assumptions regarding age and size were made about the houses being retrofit in the report provided; noted appreciation for a central project management hub that will ensure resources are being used in the best way; stated that, to her knowledge, brownouts in California are scheduled to help prevent forest fires, not due to reliability issues; noted that Texas relies almost exclusively on carbon emitting power and that is what failed in their extreme cold weather; stated that dams on the Snake River would not be removed for at least a decade; asked if NW Natural is suing the State of Oregon to get out of the climate protection plan.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted that the lower Snake River dam plan would replace and then remove dams and would not impact reliability; noted that the power

grid is not in danger and reliability is not at risk; note that coal replacement is the most pressing issue; stated his preference would be to focus on lowering the emissions created by transportation, which is the cause of 53 percent of emissions; noted that the existing housing stock is a priority; asked what the percentage of natural gas emissions from existing versus new hook ups is; stated that mobile homes and single family homes should be the focus; noted that 60 percent of NW Natural customers are low- to moderate-income and so it is important to consider the impact on them when making decisions for action plans.

- Councilor Yeh – stated that the report provided shows that people are taking climate protection seriously; asked to clarify the cost of the most expensive option in the presentation; asked to clarify that the costs in the presentation include changes and upgrades that would be done in any situation.
- Mayor Vinis – expressed appreciation for the recommendation for a central management team for the decarbonization project; noted that EWEB does all of the suggested home retrofit or upgrades except home repairs and coordinating the project management with EWEB will be important; stated it will be important to make sure that homeowners know what resources are available to them for decarbonization upgrades and repairs; noted that the map provided for low-income residential areas aligns with the public health overlay presentation that will be coming soon; noted that it is important to consider low- to moderate-income neighborhoods as this process moves forward; reminded Council that the federal government has grants that can be of assistance as the first steps are taken.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Keating, seconded by Councilor Yeh, moved to extend the meeting by 15 minutes. **VOTE: PASSED 5:2**, opposed by councilors Groves and Semple.

- Councilor Keating – asked to confirm that NW Natural is suing the State of Oregon in order to be excluded from the state’s critical Climate Recovery Ordinance goals; noted concerns and read passages from an activity book that was published by NW Natural and sent to 4J School District students.
- Councilor Clark – stated that he would like to see more focus on reducing transportation emissions; stated he would like to see more hybrid options for reducing carbon emissions; noted that his previous comments regarding reliability came from an article published on newsdata.com on July 15, and urged his colleagues to read the article; asked how a new, large corporation could impact energy reliability.
- Councilor Groves – stated that the brownouts and blackouts in California were due to fires and a supply and demand inequity; asked if there is any work by the federal government to increase and improve the utilities; noted that there is a backlog or backorder of transformers for power supply; stated that he would encourage work toward increasing a more robust power supply grid both locally and nationally; stated that he hopes staff and Council look at the resiliency aspect of options moving forward.

- Councilor Syrett – shared a quote about climate change action; noted that she feels an urgency to act due to a large number of deaths caused by a heat wave in Spain and Portugal, melting airport runways, and fires destroying homes in the Pacific Northwest; stated that there is a need to move on all things and for Eugene to lead in the nation; noted that she will postpone intended motions until the next work session.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted that climate change is the crisis of the time and the world is way behind stopping the impacts of climate change; stated that it will take immense effort and funding to complete the necessary changes; stated that implementing a project manager is important for this project; noted that the presentation shows that 90 percent of emissions come from space and water heating and that is where efforts should be focused.

Councilor Syrett adjourned the meeting at 1:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Sara McKinney)
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MINUTES

**Eugene City Council
Work Session
Eugene, Oregon 97401**

**July 25, 2022
5:30 p.m.**

Councilors Present: Claire Syrett, Matt Keating, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Randy Groves, Emily Semple, Alan Zelenka, Greg Evans

Mayor Vinis opened the July 25, 2022, work session of the Eugene City Council in a hybrid format at 101 W. 10th Avenue, Suite 114, Eugene, OR 97401.

1. WORK SESSION: Building Electrification Follow-Up

City Manager Sarah Medary introduced the topic and gave some background information on previous discussions and Council direction before introducing Building and Permit Services Director Lydia Bishop, and Building Official Mark Whitmill, who presented information regarding building electrification and reduction of fossil fuel usage in Eugene.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Clark – asked staff to confirm if the proposed change were enacted it would cut emissions by 0.1 percent by 2037; stated that 0.1 percent is an insignificant amount of carbon reduction considering the impact on residents; asked the City Attorney why Council did not use Home Rule to resist implementing HB2001; asked if Council is within its right to enact the proposed electrification ordinance; asked if staff are concerned about an appeal of any potential legislation on this topic; noted that there has not been any public engagement on this topic so far; asked staff what will be required for public engagement moving forward; noted that he is concerned that Council is discussing taking action without public engagement and discussion; stated that there are good hybrid options for implementing changes over time as they naturally become expenses for homeowners.
- Councilor Zelenka – asked if the code would allow specific end uses; noted that climate change is an existential threat and Council needs to act and take the lead on this change; noted that residential hook-ups are a very small portion of the overall emissions that need to be dealt with by 2037; noted that transportation creates 33 times more emissions than residential hook-ups; stated that he would like to complete this small issue before moving on to larger targets.
- Councilor Groves – noted that this issue is relatively small compared to other contributors to emissions; noted a concern over how the proposed change will impact the community and jobs; stated that he is concerned about public process and input; stated that Council should consider referring this issue to the ballot due to the significant impact it will have; noted that the cost implications need to be considered; noted that EWEB has concerns about challenges and said he would like to hear from EWEB on what their concerns are.

- Councilor Yeh – asked if the Climate Action Plan includes building electrification as a plan or strategy; noted that there was extensive outreach and public engagement while creating the Climate Action Plan; stated that Council has an opportunity to make a difference and add to the momentum across the world in climate recovery efforts; noted that building electrification will create jobs; asked when it is appropriate to sacrifice health and safety in the name of choice; stated that the cost of doing nothing is enormous.
- Councilor Syrett – asked if the ordinance would need to specify that buildings need to be electric ready if that is what Council wanted; asked if Council would need to answer all of the questions in the slide presentation or if the City Manager could complete that; noted that Good Company analysis shows that residential only accounts for 11 percent of the carbon emissions and if Council does nothing, that amount will continue to impact the climate; stated that the Oregon Citizen Utility Board shows that building with all electric is less expensive than dual hook-up homes and is not a financial burden on future homeowners; noted that if transitioning transportation to be fossil free was an easy task, Council would be doing it now.
- Councilor Evans – asked staff to review how to limit the gas prohibition; asked what the end result would be a of a limited prohibition; asked if an environmental impact statement could be required as part of the evaluation process; asked what the average time period from adoption to implementation has been in other municipalities that have created similar ordinances; asked if local industry and builders will have time to make necessary adjustments for planning; asked if Council could choose a phased-in approach to this prohibition.
- Councilor Keating – noted that he would like to see Council enact measures for smog checks, increased electric vehicle incentives and consumption fees for new or used gas-powered vehicle purchases; noted that the proposed change would not impact existing hook-ups, only new builds; noted that not every resident has a choice about their energy source; said 83 percent of new buildings are being built with fracked gas hook-ups.
- Mayor Vinis – noted she thinks Council should move forward with this topic; stated that the world will not end if new residential construction is prohibited from using natural gas or fossil fuels for energy; noted that a fossil fuel free future is critical; stated that public engagement is important; stated that electrification aligns with the middle housing and densification goals.

MOTION: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to direct the City Manager to draft an ordinance prohibiting natural gas and other fossil fuel infrastructure in new residential buildings for which permits are submitted after June 30, 2023, and new commercial buildings for which permits are submitted after June 30, 2024, and schedule a public hearing in the fall on the ordinance.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Syrett – stated appreciation for the discussion; stated that burning fossil fuels is killing thousands of people across the world; stated that this is the opportunity for

Eugene to do its part for a fossil free future; noted that she is open to discussion and amendments to her original motion but not open to inaction.

- Councilor Semple – noted that it is time to take action in any way that is possible and every little bit makes a difference; asked if the report from EWEB and NW Natural could be made available before or after the public hearing on the ordinance; noted that the amount of energy used is as important as the type of energy used; stated she would like to see a focus on weatherization to reduce energy usage.
- Councilor Zelenka – stated that there is a lot to do over time, and it is best to start with the easiest items first and move on to the more difficult items later; stated that electrification of residential buildings is the easiest place to start; noted that space and water heating is 80 percent of emissions from the residential sector; noted he would like to be more surgical in prohibiting specific end uses; stated that he would like to use the same surgical approach for commercial buildings to put prohibitions on certain types of buildings initially.

MOTION: Councilor Zelenka, seconded by Councilor Clark, moved to separate the motion into two motions to separate residential from commercial.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Zelenka - stated that separating the two building types is important; noted that the blanket ban does not allow for an infeasibility waiver for commercial buildings; stated concern that business owners could choose to build in another city and just move their business and emissions to a new location, taking jobs with them; stated that there is a need to engage the commercial business industry about how this will work; stated he thinks the infeasibility waiver process is clunky and inefficient; stated he would prefer to start with a limited electrification process starting with building types and end uses.
- Councilor Clark – noted that he agrees that action is required but how Council moves forward is important; stated that the impact on the community will be negative if Council takes this action right now; noted that this could have a negative impact on housing development and increase the housing crisis; stated concern that an appeals process on this matter could set the climate goals back by a decade.
- Councilor Evans – asked Councilor Zelenka to state the two separate motions that he is proposing.
- Councilor Syrett – stated that it is important to note that they are not banning natural gas at this session; clarified that the motion she proposed was to have the City Manager bring back a draft ordinance for Council to consider and amend as desired.
- Councilor Keating – asked staff to confirm that the infeasibility waivers be would be discussed in the future.
- Councilor Groves – stated that he supports decarbonization and feels it should be done by incentive rather than force; noted that he has heard from many people who feel as if the public input has not been sufficient on this matter.
- Mayor Vinis – noted that new residential construction is the easy path to act on now and commercial will be more difficult to transition; noted that the purpose of separating the motion would be to allow more conversation, not to stop moving forward on commercial transition.

- Councilor Zelenka – noted that part two of Good Company’s report will address commercial structures and Council should wait for that report before taking action; noted that the motion calls for a very simple ordinance to ban and that separating residential and commercial would be more efficient; indicated he would request a friendly if the motion to separate fails; stated that he does not want to stop commercial transition, only to modify it.
- Councilor Evans – stated that he would like to propose a friendly amendment to the second part of the proposed separated motions.
- Councilor Syrett – stated the she is open to amending the commercial portion of her motion to add detail to it.

VOTE ON MOTION TO SEPARATE: FAILED 3:5, opposed by councilors Clark, Keating, Semple, Syrett, and Yeh

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Syrett – asked if, as the maker of the motion, she can modify her motion; withdrew her original motion.

MOTION: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to direct the City Manager to draft an ordinance prohibiting natural gas and other fossil fuel infrastructure in new residential buildings for which permits are submitted after June 30, 2023, and new commercial buildings for which permits are submitted after June 30, 2024, for commercial buildings allowing for exceptions using an ‘in the public interest’ criterion and requiring buildings to be electric ready and schedule a public hearing in the fall on the ordinance.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Zelenka – proposed an alternative amendment to the motion; provided more detail to explain that his amendment would direct the City Manager to bring back ordinance options that would include the outright ban as well as other limitations such as building types or end use prohibitions.
- Councilor Syrett – stated she would not accept a friendly motion as outlined as it would make the ordinance subject to State approval.
- Councilor Clark – stated that he would like to understand Councilor Syrett’s comment regarding State approval and what that means; asked staff to explain previous remarks about State approval; asked the City Attorney if it is problematic, legally or otherwise, to have legislative intent on the record; asked the City Attorney if there was any feedback from the State that disagreed with the assumptions made about the City of Eugene’s position on building electrification.
- Councilor Semple – stated she prefers the original motion and does not like the idea of making them too confusing; noted that Council may be getting ahead of itself by adding additional parameters to motions before getting more reports and having a public hearing.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to postpone the vote to the Wednesday, July 27 work session.
VOTE: PASSED 8:0

Mayor Vinis adjourned the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Sara McKinney)
Webcast of meeting available [here](#).

**MINUTES
Eugene City Council
Meeting
Eugene, Oregon 97401**

**July 25, 2022
7:30 p.m.**

Councilors Present: Emily Semple, Matt Keating, Alan Zelenka, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Randy Groves, Claire Syrett, Greg Evans

Mayor Vinis opened the July 25, 2022, meeting of the Eugene City Council in a hybrid in-person and virtual format at 101 W. 10th Avenue, Suite 114, Eugene, OR 97401.

1. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

- Councilor Syrett – stated that she spent time with the Ethiopian Athletic Federation at the Riverfront Festival, and it was an amazing event; noted that two women shared with her that because Eugene made them feel so welcome they were winning in their events; reported that there is a new suicide crisis line, 988, and it is similar to 911 but is staffed by mental health counselors, providing services for those having mental health crisis or family members of those in crisis.
- Councilor Yeh – reminded everyone that the Asian Celebration will occur on Saturday at Alton Baker Park from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; noted there will be a shared booth for the Police Auditor's Office, Police Commission, and the Civilian Review Board at the celebration.
- Councilor Keating – noted that the Ethiopian team experience was a great experience; shared the final tally of medals of the World Championship; stated that the Ethiopian people are inspiring and he would like to remember the connection made with them when the Sister City program is reviewed; noted appreciation for staff that made the meeting possible and for all who volunteered at the events; expressed his appreciation to the Eugene Police Department for their work during the World Championships.
- Councilor Semple – expressed appreciation for the work and efforts to clean up and beautify downtown Eugene.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted that he spoke with many people at the events who complimented the World Championship and Riverfront Festival.
- Councilor Syrett – noted that there is some frustration about the parks in Whiteaker and how resources are being allocated in terms of park ambassadors; stated that Whiteaker bears a disproportional burden of the unhoused and disruptive individuals; requested that the City Manager work with Chief Skinner to reconsider the allocations; noted that there are playgrounds that are often used for camping which prevents families from using the parks as intended.
- Mayor Vinis – expressed appreciation to councilors Syrett and Keating for stepping in to cover her duties during the World Championships; noted that the fan festival was well-executed and appreciated; shared quotes from emails sent by individuals from all over regarding the event.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR 1

A. Approval of City Council Minutes

- May 23, 2022, Work Session
- May 23, 2022, Meeting
- June 13, 2022, Work Session

B. Approval of City Council Tentative Agenda

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to approve the items on Consent Calendar 1, minus the June 13, 2022, Work Session minutes. **PASSED: 8:0**

3. PUBLIC FORUM

1. Matthew O-G – spoke about Councilor Keating's comments at Dove Medical.
2. David Peiccioni – spoke about the causes of homelessness.
3. Kelly Hoell – spoke about the CAP 2.0 climate plan.
4. Niyah Ross – spoke about her recent employment experiences with the City of Eugene.
5. Sabrina Siegel – spoke about microwave radiation and Wi-Fi.
6. Joshua Korn – spoke about climate change, solar radiation, and radiation issues.
7. Richard Locke – commended Sarah Medary for the work done to clean up camps.
8. Thomas Newman – spoke about reducing the city's carbon footprint.
9. Lisa Arkin – spoke in favor of a public health overlay.
10. Aimée Okotie-Oyekan – spoke in favor of climate protection and fossil free Eugene.
11. Arjorie Arberry-Baribeault – spoke in favor of a public health overlay.
12. Todd Boyle – spoke in favor of increasing housing for the bottom 20 percent.
13. Nicholas R – spoke about Councilor Keating's comments at Dove Medical.
14. William Smith – spoke against 5G and Wi-Fi and in favor of hiring a building biologist.
15. Lin Woodrich – spoke about the need for a Bethel area plan.
16. Stephen Fuller-Rowell – spoke in favor of a public health overlay zone.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Evans – asked if there have been any complaints filed with the Police Auditor's Office related to the protest about Roe v. Wade being overturned.
- Councilor Keating – stated that he and Councilor Syrett check in with the Police Auditor and he supports oversight processes that provide accountability; noted a need for an interagency oversight with Springfield Police Department; expressed appreciation for Richard Locke's comments regarding council pay; noted that family leave processes are cumbersome and difficult and that there is a childcare crisis currently.
- Councilor Syrett – stated that when you push the unhoused from one area, they end up in another area; noted that Whitaker has historically been a gathering point for the unhoused; encouraged those who spoke regarding Councilor Keating's comments to focus their energy on constructive actions to protect women's right to choose abortion.
- Mayor Vinis – noted that the building electrification conversation will continue Wednesday, July 27, 2022, and may cause the public health overlay topic to be pushed to a date after council break.

4. PUBLIC HEARING: An Ordinance Adopting Hazardous Substance User Fees

1. Richard Locke – spoke about the impact of the fees on small business.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Groves – applauded staff for finding a way to trim costs; encouraged staff to work with the State on a single database entry system.
- Mayor Vinis confirmed unanimous consent to take action on the ordinance during the same meeting.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to adopt an ordinance adopting hazardous substance user fees.

VOTE: PASSED 8:0

5. CONSENT CALENDAR 2

A. Resolution Annexing Land at the Southwest Corner of the Intersection of Loretta Way and Denis Drive

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to approve the items on Consent Calendar 2. **VOTE: PASSED 8:0**

6. ACTION: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 20650 (Temporary Establishment of “Safe Parking” and “Safe Tent” Sites that are Larger Than Allowed Under Section 4.816 of the Eugene Code, 1971); and Extending Its Sunset Date.

City Manager Sarah Medary introduced the topic and gave background information regarding the topic.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to adopt the ordinance amending Ordinance No. 20650 (temporary establishment of “safe parking” and “safe tent” sites that are larger than allowed under section 4.816 of the Eugene Code, 1971); and extending its sunset date to June 30, 2024. **VOTE: PASSED 7:1**, Councilor Clark opposed.

7. ACTION: An Ordinance Amending Transient Lodging Tax Code Provisions in Chapter 3 of the Eugene Code, 1971, to Enable Tax Collection by the Oregon Department of Revenue on the City’s Behalf, and Providing for an Effective Date.

MOTION: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to adopt the ordinance concerning the Transient Lodging Tax.

Council Discussion

- Councilor Keating – asked if this transition represents a job lost; asked if the employee will remain employed with the City of Eugene; asked when the program and the job will sunset.

VOTE: PASSED 7:1, Councilor Keating opposed.

8. ACTION: Initiation of Land Use Code Amendment For 5th Street Market Expansion

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to initiate a land use code amendment creating a parcel specific height limit in the Skinner Butte Height Limitation Area. **VOTE: PASSED 8:0**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Sara McKinney)

Link to the webcast of this City Council meeting [here](#).

MINUTES

Eugene City Council Work Session Eugene, Oregon 97401

July 27, 2022
12:00 p.m.

Councilors Present: Claire Syrett, Matt Keating, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Randy Groves, Emily Semple, Alan Zelenka, Greg Evans

Mayor Vinis opened the July 27, 2022, work session of the Eugene City Council in a hybrid format at 101 W. 10th Avenue, Suite 114, Eugene, OR 97401.

1. **Work Session: Building Electrification Follow-Up**

City Manager Sarah Medary provided a short presentation regarding the Climate Recovery Ordinance and building electrification.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Syrett – noted that she has been pushing Council to take action on decarbonization and recognizes that there are some councilors who would like to wait until after the next Good Company report to take any action; noted that she intends to withdraw the motion on the table and separate the motion into two motions for residential and commercial individually; stated the reason for putting the motion forward is to give the public confidence that there will be further discussion; formally withdrew the motion on the table from the July 25, 2022 work session.

MOTION: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to direct the City Manager to draft an ordinance prohibiting natural gas and other fossil fuel infrastructure in all low-rise residential buildings for which permits are submitted after June 30, 2023, and schedule a public hearing on the ordinance in the fall.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Clark – stated that everyone agrees that Eugene is in a housing crisis; noted he is interested in hearing more reports from Good Company, EWEB and NW Natural about successful ways to plan decarbonization; voiced a concern that developers will not build homes in the community if this ordinance passes; stated he would prefer dual fuel options that have been previously suggested; stated he is concerned that this will create a backlash from residents and set back decarbonization efforts.
- Councilor Zelenka – asked if there will be two separate motions; asked if the decarbonization pathway motions will be put forth; noted that he would prefer options be brought back regarding end use limitations; noted that there are commercially available electric options for space and water heating as well as

pool heating; noted that cooktops and fireplaces are a very small fraction of a percent of the current emissions.

MOTION TO AMEND: Councilor Zelenka, seconded by Councilor Groves, moved to amend the motion to add after June 30, 2023, “including options for limitations on end uses”.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Zelenka – clarified that his intention with the motion is to provide flexibility and potentially limit end uses such as space and water heating.
- Mayor Vinis – asked staff to clarify if the original motion by Councilor Syrett would fall within the City of Eugene building code authority and not need state approval; asked staff to clarify if the proposed amendment to the motion would still fit within that local authority or require state approval.
- Councilor Syrett – stated she is not supportive of the proposed amendment; noted that a more targeted approach can be determined at a later date; noted that she would like to avoid a path that requires a state exemption; stated that she has concern regarding the equity of limiting or prohibiting end use; noted it would be difficult to enforce limiting end uses.
- Councilor Yeh – stated that there have been studies of natural gas appliances that show they leak when not in use and can be hazardous to air quality and health.
- Councilor Clark – asked the City Manager how much the City of Eugene paid for the report from Good Company; noted that it appears that Council is setting aside the work and information in the report from Good Company; noted that he wants to see final reports and have further work sessions on the topic before creating ordinances.
- Councilor Zelenka – stated that it is not clear that Council has the local authority to take the steps being discussed without state approval; noted he would like to have one ordinance with mutually exclusive options for different types of bans and then allow the public to comment on them; noted that the National Fire Protection Agency shows that electric cooking fires have a higher death and injury rate than gas cooktops; stated he would like the option to consider limiting end use of fossil fuels rather than an outright ban.
- Councilor Keating – noted that the proposed amendment is not straightforward and can be confusing; urged his colleagues to vote against the amendment.

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND: FAILED 3:5, opposed by councilors Clark, Keating, Semple, Syrett, and Yeh

- Councilor Groves – noted that he is in favor of waiting to get the report from Good Company on commercial and industrial before making any decisions in that area; stated his support for ensuring that there is a public process and engagement on this issue; noted that Council has had to discuss and make decisions on a lot of emotionally charged topics recently and the community has a finite level of tolerance on these issues; stated that he would like Council to explore items such as vehicle emissions testing as a way of reducing carbon emissions; noted concern over the level of impact this ban could have for little overall benefit.

- Councilor Semple – asked to clarify what the term “low-rise residential buildings” includes; asked staff to confirm that including other taller buildings would make the ordinance more complicated; asked to clarify if infrastructure includes piping into the house or just the piping that runs through the street; asked if Council will have a work session to review the ordinance before a public hearing; stated she would like to see public outreach beyond a public hearing to reach more people; noted that there has been a lot of testimony over the years in favor of a fossil-free Eugene; noted that the amount of emissions saved by acting now versus acting after the reports are received would be insignificant; stated concern over creating an ordinance that would have to be revamped to meet state law; stated she would like Council to make a statement with this ordinance but feels that it is best to wait until the reports from Good Company, EWEB and NW Natural are in, and then have a public hearing; noted she would like the focus to move back to weatherization and incentives for more climate-friendly appliance upgrades; stated she supports the goal of the motion but will not vote in favor at this time.
- Councilor Keating – noted that he will support the motion; stated that 83 percent of new homes built are built with natural gas; noted that there will be engagement in the fall for the commercial and industrial carbon reduction options; stated that there is a need to act for the health of the community and residential action is the easiest; urged his colleagues to vote in favor of the motion.
- Councilor Evans – asked staff if they know what is currently planned for residential developments and subdivisions; asked staff how the motion will impact those planned developments; asked to confirm that projects that are already scheduled to move forward would be grandfathered in.
- Councilor Syrett – noted that there are studies that show that building an all-electric house or low-rise residential building does not increase the cost of the building and lowers the long-term cost; stated that Council will hear the report for commercial and industrial in the fall and the residential information is already available; stated that the Climate Recovery Ordinance received a lot of public comment and input; noted there is a lot of public support for this action.
- Mayor Vinis – noted that the majority of Eugene residents want action on climate change; stated that the goal is to change the energy source in buildings over time and move to renewable resources; stated it is important for Council to support clean energy solutions and the long-term impacts.
- Councilor Semple – asked when the reports from EWEB and NW Natural are expected; noted that education efforts can be made while waiting for the reports; stated that she is willing to wait to make decision if the end date is the same either way.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted that whether or not electrification is cost-effective depends on the cost of both electric and natural gas; noted that there are cost-effective options for space and water heating that are currently available; stated that being rigid without options will not serve Council well in the long run, politically speaking; asked the City Manager how she will approach the direction from Council and if Council will have the opportunity to review the draft ordinance prior to a public hearing; asked Councilor Syrett if she would modify the ordinance to request that the ordinance be brought back to council and then schedule a public hearing.

- Councilor Yeh – noted the reason she supports this motion because having an ordinance drafted often increases public engagement; noted that the ordinance can be modified later if needed.
- Councilor Clark – stated that the significant issue is that this could impact future housing developments and whether new housing is built; noted that the majority of residents are concerned about climate change however it is at the bottom of their list of concerns.
- Councilor Semple – noted that because there is a work session before an ordinance is approved, she will support the motion.
- Councilor Evans – asked to clarify that the vote will be on the original motion; asked if there is room to amend the motion to insert a work session on the language of the motion prior to the draft ordinance.

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION: PASSED 5:3, opposed by councilors Clark, Evans, and Groves

MOTION: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to direct the City Manager to schedule a work session in the fall to discuss prohibiting natural gas and other fossil fuel infrastructure in all new commercial buildings including as part of that work session a potential waiver process for buildings or uses that may not have feasible access to electric-only options, including a discussion of applicability to certain building types.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Syrett – recognized that a conversation is desired by the City Manager, Mayor and other Council members; noted that this motion is to show to the public that Council intends to come back to the issue and signal their commitment to move forward on the Climate Recovery Ordinance goals.
- Councilor Clark – noted that the wisest route is to include as much input as possible; stated that the motion appears overly prescriptive without public input; noted concern that there is not enough public support to begin taking actions at this time; stated his concern that acting too soon will set back climate change goals.
- Councilor Zelenka – asked if types of buildings could be included in the motion as a friendly amendment; stated he believes a waiver system will be cumbersome and difficult to manage.
- Councilor Evans – stated his concern is making sure that there is significant input and representation from impacted industries to help clarify what the exemption or waiver process should look like; asked if Council can legally exempt or target types of businesses that will be exempted or waived.
- Councilor Semple – asked if existing businesses wanting to expand or add another location would be limited by the ordinance or grandfathered in; asked staff to clarify the difference between building type or business type.
- Councilor Groves – noted that he would like to involve local business and industry to minimize the impact on them; stated he is in favor of more input and public engagement; stated he would rather incentivize the process than mandate it; noted that he is not comfortable with the direction that Council is heading with this issue.

- Councilor Keating – stated that he has no choice for what energy source to use in his rented housing; stated that Council has a choice to make a difference with this motion; stated he looks forward to engagement with local business and industry in the future to develop this process; noted that the action today would schedule a work session that will also include Good Company’s report on business and industry.
- Councilor Syrett – noted that the motion does not limit the number of questions that councilors can raise about how the ordinance is done; noted that Good Company is having conversations with local business and industry about decarbonization; noted that NW Natural incentivizes developers to install natural gas in new buildings.
- Councilor Zelenka – stated that the report from Good Company will show that there is a specific type of building or business that produces the majority of greenhouse gases; stated concern over loss of businesses and jobs in Eugene as a result of this ban; asked how to tell what is financially and technically feasible for waivers.

VOTE: PASSED 7:1, opposed by Councilor Clark

MOTION: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to direct the City Manager to bring back a revision to the Climate Action Plan that formalizes as a City goal the electrification of residential and, as feasible, commercial buildings by 2035 and industrial buildings by 2050.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Syrett – noted this motion will ensure that the decarbonization work is done and has a timeline for completion; noted she intends to make another motion for a public engagement process that relates to this issue.
- Councilor Groves – stated that he is against legislative mandates in this situation.
- Councilor Zelenka – asked if electrification is the right term to use in the motion; noted that there are more ways to get to zero carbon emissions; suggested a friendly amendment to the motion to clarify this.
- Councilor Keating – asked if establishing these goals and revising the Climate Action Plan would prevent future efforts to incentivize decarbonization.
- Councilor Groves – stated he would be more interested in this if incentives were an option.
- Councilor Clark – stated he is concerned about mandating changes and would prefer incentivizing decarbonization.
- Councilor Evans – asked to have the motion restated as amended; stated he would also prefer to have an incentive clause built into the motion.
- Councilor Yeh – stated that this motion is only setting a goal, not specifying action or stating how to reach the goals.

MOTION RESTATED AS AMENDED AND VOTE: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to direct the City Manager to bring back a revision to the Climate Action Plan that formalizes as a City goal the decarbonization of residential and, as feasible, commercial buildings by 2035 and industrial buildings by 2050. **VOTE: PASSED 6:2**, opposed by councilors Clark and Groves

MOTION: Councilor Syrett, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to direct the City Manager to return to Council in the fall with a proposal for engaging the community in developing a plan for the transition of buildings to be decarbonized that has at its foundation social, environmental, and economic equity with the emphasis on engagement of historically marginalized communities and their representatives.

- Councilor Zelenka – asked for a friendly amendment to add “as soon as practicable, have the City Manager engage commercial business community in an outreach process to discuss and solicit their input on an electrification ordinance”; stated that the suggested amendment is to target short-term electrification of commercial businesses to have input prior to a fall work session; noted that he will make a separate motion for this.
- Councilor Groves – asked for the motion to be restated.
- Councilor Semple – stated that the business community is considered part of the community and does not need to be called out separately; noted that the term “non-fossil fuel” is clearer than decarbonization.
- Councilor Groves – asked how to handle the issue that generating electricity is partially created by burning fossil fuels.

VOTE: PASSED 6:2, opposed by councilors Clark and Groves

MOTION: Councilor Zelenka, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved to direct the City Manager to, as soon as practicable, engage the commercial business community on a potential electrification ordinance and do an outreach process to discuss and solicit their input.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Zelenka – noted this is related to the electrification process not the long-term decarbonization goals and is a more urgent matter; stated that he would like to engage the community that would potentially be regulated.
- Councilor Semple – stated she feels this motion is unnecessary.
- Councilor Yeh – noted that engagement processes take a lot of effort and funding; noted concern that the motion calls for work to be done before the report comes back from Good Company; asked Councilor Zelenka if this motion would mean having a work session prior to the engagement process; noted it makes more sense to have the work session and decide then what steps should be taken for engagement.
- Councilor Syrett – asked for the City Manager’s thoughts and opinions on the proposed engagement process; noted appreciation for the signal this motion would send to business community; noted concern for the time and resources that this would take.
- Councilor Zelenka – stated he is fearful that a no vote will appear as if Council does not care about the business community’s input; stated he would like to reword the motion to state “direct the City Manager to engage the commercial business community on a potential electrification ordinance and do an outreach process to discuss and solicit their input.”

- Councilor Semple – asked how much the engagement process will cost; noted that there is limited time and funding for this process.
- Councilor Groves – stated that it is critically important to signal to the business community that their opinions are important.
- Councilor Keating – stated he has been critical of tactics that appear to delay action in the past; noted that he welcomes the opportunity to create conversations to address engagement issues and send a signal to the business community.
- Councilor Yeh – stated that Council has done a good job engaging the business community in the past; noted that she does not want the people to think that Council values the business community input more than the input of individual residents.
- Councilor Keating – asked how many businesses Good Company has had conversations with in creating its report.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted that the motion being considered is about building electrification not the long-term decarbonization goal.

Councilor Clark exited the work session.

MOTION (RESTATED) AND VOTE: Councilor Zelenka, seconded by Councilor Keating, moved that prior to the drafting of an electrification ordinance the City Manager engage the business community with an outreach process to discuss and solicit their input. **VOTE: PASSED 7:0**, Councilor Clark absent

Mayor Vinis adjourned the meeting at 1:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Sara McKinney)
Webcast of meeting available [here](#).

EUGENE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Approval of Tentative Working Agenda

Meeting Date: September 12, 2022
Department: Central Services
www.eugene-or.gov

Agenda Item Number: 2B
Staff Contact: Brooke Freed
Contact Telephone Number: 541-682-5010

ISSUE STATEMENT

This is a routine item to approve the City Council Tentative Working Agenda.

BACKGROUND

On July 31, 2000, the City Council held a process session and discussed the Operating Agreements. Section 2 notes, in part, that “The City Manager shall recommend monthly to the council which items should be placed on the council agenda. This recommendation shall be placed on the consent calendar at the regular City Council meetings (regular meetings are those meetings held on the second and fourth Monday of each month in the Council Chamber). If the recommendation contained in the consent calendar is approved, the items shall be brought before the council on a future agenda. If there are concerns about an item, the item may be pulled from the consent calendar at the request of any councilor or the Mayor. A vote shall occur to determine if the item should be included as future council business.” Scheduling of this item is in accordance with the Council Operating Agreements.

COUNCIL OPTIONS

The council may choose to approve, amend or not approve the tentative agenda.

SUGGESTED MOTION

Move to approve the items on the Tentative Working Agenda.

ATTACHMENTS

A. Tentative Working Agenda

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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City Council Tentative Agenda

Updated September 1, 2022

As our state and community recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, City Council meetings will continue to be held using hybrid and virtual meeting technology. Information about how to access these meetings will be available at <https://www.eugene-or.gov/3360/Webcasts-and-Meeting-Materials>.

Council Break: July 28 – September 11

September 2022					
Date	Day	Time	Title	Length	Dept. Contact
12-Sept	Monday	5:30 pm	 Riverfront Urban Renewal District (Work Session)	45 mins	Amanda D’Souza, PDD
			 Climate Friendly and Equitable Community Rules Overview (Work Session)	45 mins	Heather O’Donnell, PDD
		7:30 pm	 Committee Reports and Items of Interest  Public Forum		
Expected absences for 9/12: none					
14-Sept	Wednesday	12 pm	 Financial Update (Work Session)	45 mins	Twylla Miller, CS
			 Workforce Update (Work Session)	45 mins	Mia Cariaga, CS
Expected absences for 9/14: none					
19-Sept	Monday	5:30 pm	 An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of the East 5th Avenue Right-of-Way Run (Public Hearing)		Jeff Gepper, PDD
			 An Ordinance Concerning Fireworks Restrictions (Public Hearing)		Michael Caven, ESF
Expected absences for 9/19: none					
21-Sept	Wednesday	12 pm	 Community Survey Results (Work Session)	90 mins	Jason Dedrick, CS
Expected absences for 9/21: none					
<div><div> Work Session</div><div> Action</div><div> Public Hearing</div><div> Public Forum</div><div> Consent Calendar</div><div> Committee Reports/Items of Interest</div><div> Ceremonial Matters</div><div> Pledge of Allegiance</div></div>					

23-Sept	Friday	10:00 am	Council Strategic Planning Retreat		Staff
24-Sept	Saturday	9:00 am	Council Strategic Planning Retreat		Staff
Expected absences for 9/23-24: none				Location: Campbell Center	
26-Sept	Monday	5:30 pm	 Public Health Overlay (Work Session)	60 mins	Allie Camp, PDD
			 TBD (Work Session)	30 mins	
		7:30 pm	 Committee Reports and Items of Interest  Public Forum  An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of the East 5th Avenue Right-of-Way (Action)  An Ordinance Concerning Fireworks Restrictions (Action)		Jeff Gepper, PDD Michael Caven, ESF
Expected absences for 9/26: none					
28-Sept	Wednesday	12 pm	 TBD (Work Session)	45 mins	Staff
			 Sister Cities Review Discussion (Work Session)	45 mins	Jason Dedrick, CS
Expected absences for 9/28: none					

UPCOMING PUBLIC HEARINGS			
Date	Topic	Description	Staff Contact
Sept 19 5:30 pm	An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of East 5th Avenue Located Within the Boundaries of the Plat of Town Run	City Council will hold a public hearing to consider an Ordinance Vacating a Portion of the East 5th Avenue Right-of-Way Located within the Boundaries of the Plat of Town Run.	Jeff Gepper, PDD 541-682-5282
Sept 19 5:30 pm	An Ordinance Concerning Fireworks Restrictions and Amending Section 4.934 of the Eugene Code, 1971	City Council will hold a public hearing to consider an Ordinance Concerning Fireworks Restrictions and Amending Section 4.934 of the Eugene Code 1971	Michael Caven, ESF

Approved Work Session Polls to be Scheduled	Councilor	Date Approved
Fossil Fuel Risk Bonds – TBD	Groves, Syrett	10/21/21
Gas Stations – TBD	Keating	4/15/22
Bethel Area Plan – TBD	Evans	7/22/22

EUGENE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Public Forum

Meeting Date: September 12, 2022
Department: Central Services
www.eugene-or.gov

Agenda Item Number: 3
Staff Contact: Sara McKinney
Contact Telephone Number: 541-682-8497

ISSUE STATEMENT

This segment allows citizens the opportunity to express opinions and provide information to the council. Testimony presented during the Public Forum should be on city-related issues and should not address items which have already been heard by a Hearings Official or are on the present agenda as a public hearing item.

SUGGESTED MOTION

No action is required; this is an informational item only.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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