

MINUTES

Eugene City Council
Bascom/Tykeson Room, Eugene Public Library
100 W. 10th Avenue—Eugene, Oregon

October 17, 2012
Noon

COUNCILORS PRESENT: George Brown, Pat Farr, Betty Taylor, Mike Clark, Chris Pryor, George Poling, Alan Zelenka, Andrea Ortiz

City Council President George Brown called the October 17, 2012, work session of the Eugene City Council to order.

A: WORK SESSION: OPPORTUNITY EUGENE DISCUSSION

City Manager Jon Ruiz provided background on the topic and shared historical data, route information, transportation options and long-term guiding documents and plans

MOTION:

Councilor Brown, seconded by Councilor Ortiz, moved to direct the City Manager to return on October 31 with a list of potential sites that could be leased to a non-profit, to establish a pilot project for temporary, transitional housing shelters for approximately 30 adults and their accompanying children. The list should include City-controlled properties that are one acre or larger. The list should also:

- a) indicate if there are buildings on site that could be utilized;
- b) indicate access to public transportation and bike paths;
- c) indicate whether the site has utilities or not; and
- d) include properties that are underutilized and not routinely used for community events

MOTION TO TABLE:

Councilor Clark, seconded by Councilor Poling, moved to table until the council could hear staff's presentation. PASSED 7:1 (Taylor opposed)

MOTION:

Councilor Brown, seconded by Councilor Ortiz, moved to direct the City manager to return on October 31 with an explanation of the legal requirements for establishing a pilot program for unhoused families with children as referenced in motion #1. The information should address state and local ordinances, codes, zoning laws and all other legal requirements.

A friendly to add the words "potential risks" was accepted by the maker and seconder.

MOTION TO TABLE:

Councilor Ortiz, seconded by Councilor Poling, moved to table the motion until after the council's discussion. PASSED 8:0.

Community Programs Analyst Michael Wisth provided information through a PowerPoint presentation.

MOTION:

Councilor Clark, seconded by Councilor Poling, moved that council approve the policy framework for the council to use in evaluating and proposing possible options for addressing homeless issues.

Mayor Piercy arrived at the meeting at 12:15 p.m.

MOTION and ACTION:

Councilor Clark, seconded by Councilor Poling, moved to amend policy #4 to say “promote and protect” neighborhood livability. FAILED 4:5 (Brown, Ortiz, Taylor and Zelenka opposed; Mayor broke tie in opposition)

MOTION TO TABLE:

Councilor Zelenka, seconded by Councilor Ortiz, moved to table the decision until after the conversation. PASSED 5:3 (Clark, Farr, and Taylor opposed)

MOTION and ACTION:

Councilor Ortiz, seconded by Councilor Zelenka, moved to direct the City Manager to schedule a public hearing on the amendment allowing tents to be defined as vehicles for the purpose of legal car camping. PASSED 8:0

MOTION TO UN-TABLE:

Councilor Zelenka, seconded by Councilor Brown, moved to un-table Councilor Brown’s first motion. PASSED 8:0

MOTION TO AMEND:

Councilor Farr, seconded by Councilor Clark, moved to amend to add “include conditions that could potentially preclude a site, as well as information about the number of residential properties within a certain distance from the site. PASSED 7:1 (Ortiz opposed)

A friendly to remove the reference to parks was accepted.

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED (Councilor Brown’s first motion)

PASSED 7:1 (Clark opposed)

Councilor Clark left the meeting at 1:18 p.m.

MOTION TO UN-TABLE:

Councilor Zelenka, seconded by Councilor Ortiz, moved to un-table Councilor Brown’s second motion. PASSED 7:0.

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION (Councilor Brown’s second motion):

PASSED 7:0

MOTION AND ACTION:

Councilor Pryor, seconded by Councilor Farr, moved to direct the City Manager to return to council on October 31 for a work session on proposed winter strategies and, following council action on those strategies, to schedule subsequent work sessions to address the following topics:

- a) options to support, improved and potentially expand existing services;
- b) potential new initiatives including a possible village on both City and private sites; and
- c) work on the remaining five items included on the Opportunity Eugene Task Force

PASSED 7:0.

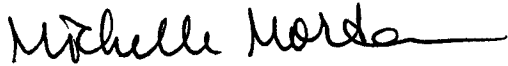
MOTION:

Councilor Taylor moved to un-table Councilor Clark's motion. The motion died for lack of a second.

Mayor Piercy presented a quilt from the Lutheran ladies of Emmaus Luther Church, which was given to her during a Eugene@150 birthday celebration at Skinner's cabin.

Meeting adjourned at 1:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michelle Mortensen", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Michelle Mortensen
Deputy City Recorder