

**CITY OF SILVERTON  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**Zoom Web Conference Platform**

**June 21, 2021 6:15 p.m.**

**I. OPENING CEREMONIES – Call to Order & Roll Call**

Mayor Palmer called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m. The City Council and staff were present through the virtual meeting platform Zoom. Mayor Palmer explained this meeting is being held through Zoom pursuant to House Bill (HB) 4212.

| <b>Present</b>   | <b>Absent</b>     |                                       |
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| <u>    X    </u> | <u>          </u> | Mayor<br>Kyle Palmer                  |
| <u>    X    </u> | <u>          </u> | Council President<br>Jason Freilinger |
| <u>    X    </u> | <u>          </u> | Jim Sears                             |
| <u>    X    </u> | <u>          </u> | Jess Miller                           |
| <u>    X    </u> | <u>          </u> | Dana Smith                            |
| <u>    X    </u> | <u>          </u> | Elvi Cuellar Sutton                   |
| <u>    X    </u> | <u>          </u> | Crystal Neideigh                      |

**Staff Present:**

City Manager, Ron Chandler; Chief of Police, Jim Anglemier; Community Development Director, Jason Gottgetreu; Deputy City Manager/Finance Director, Kathleen Zaragoza; and Assistant Finance Director, Sheena Lucht

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – None submitted**

**III. OATHS OF OFFICE/PUBLIC RECOGNITION – None scheduled**

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT –**

Joe Craig: Mr. Craig thanked the City Council, City Staff and tax payers for the beautiful McClaine street project which includes, storm water, bike lanes, and landscape improvements. Mr. Craig addressed his concerns related to pedestrian and bicycle traffic safety. He believes the crosswalk at Jefferson Street and First Street is unsafe as the speed limit in that area is 45 MPH going both ways. He wanted to know if there have been any traffic studies or discussions with ODOT regarding the speed in that area.

Mayor Palmer reassured Mr. Craig that they will be following up with any communication from ODOT regarding the speed concerns on HWY 214.

**V. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS – None scheduled**

## **VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### **6.1 Resolution No. 21-11 – To determine the eligibility to receive State Shared Revenue and Resolution No. 21-12 – Declaring the Election to Receive State Shared Revenue**

Mayor Palmer opened the public hearing to allow the City to receive State Shared Revenue at 6:25 p.m. No Councilor wished to abstain or declare a conflict of interest. Deputy City Manager/Finance Director Zaragoza explained this is a formal process required to be able to receive State Revenue Funds and \$108,500 is being budgeted to go into the General Fund and used for general purposes. There was no public comment. Councilor Freilinger made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Councilor Cuellar Sutton seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously (7-0). Mayor Palmer closed the public hearing at 6:26 p.m.

Councilor Freilinger made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 21-11 to determine the eligibility to receive State Shared Revenue and to adopt Resolution No. 21-12 to declare the City's election to receive State Shared Revenue and use it for General Fund purposes. Councilor Cuellar Sutton seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously (7-0).

### **6.2 Resolution No. 21-13 – Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022, impose and categorized taxes and make appropriations**

Mayor Palmer called the public hearing regarding the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 approved budget open at 6:29 p.m. No Councilor wished to abstain or declare a conflict of interest. Deputy City Manager/Finance Director Zaragoza said the dollar amount has changed since the Budget Committee's approval; she referred Council to the staff report which explained changes related to the ice storm and related repairs and other items that could not be completed in the current fiscal year. There was no public comment. Councilor Freilinger made a motion to close the public hearing. Councilor Neideigh seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously (7-0). Mayor Palmer closed the public hearing at 6:32 p.m.

Councilor Freilinger made a motion to approve Resolution No. 21-13 to adopt the budget for fiscal year 2021-2022 in the total amount of \$63,132,851, levy taxes of \$3.6678 per \$1,000 of assessed value for the permanent rate, levy \$275,000 for the Pool Operation Levy and make appropriations as listed in the resolution. Councilor Neideigh seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously (7-0).

## **VII. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

### **7.1 Ordinance No. 21-04 – Amending the Silverton Municipal Code; Title 18, Development Code and Zoning Map to allow a duplex on any lot a single family home is permitted and update the accessory dwelling unit standards to comply with HB 2001 and declaring an emergency**

Community Development Director Gottgetreu explained the same Ordinance that was brought before the Council in May but with the addition of the emergency clause. Councilor Freilinger made a motion for the second reading of Ordinance No. 21-04 by title only. Councilor Sears seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously (7-0).

City Manager Chandler read Ordinance No. 21-04 by title only. Councilor Freilinger made a motion to pass Ordinance No. 21-04 on second and final reading. Councilor Sears seconded the motion. Councilor Smith declared exparte communication explaining the objection on the first reading with Councilor Miller and reiterated her objection to each unit requiring a garage increases the cost of single family housing due to the increase in lumber and construction cost. There was no further discussion and the motion passed. (5-2 Councilor Smith and Councilor Miller in opposition)

## **7.2 McClaine St./C St./Westfield St. Intersection Signal and Street Options**

Mayor Palmer discussed written comment was received for this agenda item regarding traffic coming down Westfield Street towards McClaine Street. City Manager Chandler explained the Council previously discussed the McClaine St./C St./Westfield St. intersection signal and street concerns in February. He explained that previously it was discussed to add flashing, yellow left turn lights and this has been scheduled with ODOT for June 27, 2021 and shifting the through lane creating a turn only lane coming from C street onto McClaine street and making the middle lane into a straight through lane. City Manager Chandler explained he had looked at the 2018 Transportation study and it was recommended to make the left lane a through street and the right lane a right turn only and said that the study said about 50 cars a day would use that turn lane. He asked Council to give further clarification on how they would like staff to go with the McClaine St./C St./Westfield St. intersection signal and street options.

After Council discussion related to signal and street options for the McClaine St./C St./Westfield St. intersection Councilor Sears made a motion to:

- Change the intersection lights to flashing yellow for left turns.
- Move the stop bar in the southbound left lane on C street closer to the intersection to gain more storage if feasible.
- Adjust the center lines on Westfield to lessen the impact of the left lane becoming a through lane.
- Change the southbound right lane on C street into a right turn only lane.
- Change the southbound left lane on C street into a through lane.

Councilor Cuellar Sutton seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously (7-0).

Councilor Sears made a motion to leave the left turn lane on C street a left turn lane as well as making it a through lane. Councilor Neideigh seconded the motion. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously (7-0).

## **VIII. CONSENT ITEMS**

Councilor Sears made a motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of agenda items 8.1, 8.2 and 8.3. Councilor Neideigh seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously (7-0).

- 8.1 Resolution No. 21-14 – Extending the City of Silverton’s Workers’ Compensation coverage to certain volunteers**
- 8.2 OLCC Liquor License for “The Noble Fox”; 101 N Water St., Silverton, OR**
- 8.3 Accept Oregon Water Resources Department grant for Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) process**

## **IX. CITY MANAGER UPDATE**

City Manager Chandler gave an update on the news of the shortage of liquid chlorine, he has been in contact with the Water Quality Supervisor and it has been determined that the shortage will not affect the City as the City does not use liquid chlorine.

## **X. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilor Sears thanked City Manager and staff for water system supply updates. He requested after talking to a property owner on Western street that staff look into adding more street lights on Western St, Jefferson St, and along First and Second streets.

Councilor Smith thanked staff for the water system supply updates and requested if the data could be in a graph to watch changes over time and is excited to get started on the ASR feasibility study.

Councilor Freilinger thought it was great to see all the people at the Strawberry Festival and enjoying the park and each other; he is looking forward to the Homer Davenport Days and Art Festival coming up.

Mayor Palmer reported that there were 1,400 servings provided at the Strawberry Festival which is the second biggest year and thanked the volunteers and City staff in the parks division involved who helped make the event happen

## **XI. ADJOURNMENT**

Councilor Neideigh made a motion to adjourn and Mayor Palmer adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

/s/Sheena Lucht, Assistant Finance Director