

**CITY OF SILVERTON
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**

January 3, 2022, 6:00 p.m.

I. OPENING CEREMONIES

Mayor Palmer called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. 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) 2560.

Present	Absent	
X	_____	Mayor Kyle Palmer
X	_____	Council President Jason Freilinger
X	_____	Jim Sears
X	_____	Elvi Cuellar Sutton
X	(Joined at 6:03)	Dana Smith
X	_____	Jess Miller
X	_____	Crystal Neideigh

Staff Present:

City Manager, Ron Chandler; Public Works Director, Travis Sperle; Water Quality Division Supervisor, Troy Kemper; Assistant to the City Manager/Human Resources, Simone Stewart; Finance Director/Deputy City Manager, Kathleen Zaragoza; City Engineer, Bart Stepp; Community Development Director, Jason Gottgetreu; and Assistant to the City Manager/City Clerk, Traci Nichols

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Councilor Freilinger moved to approve minutes. Councilor Sutton withheld vote as she was not present. Motion passed to approve minutes.

III. OATHS OF OFFICE/PUBLIC RECOGNITION - Nothing on file.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT - No official comment on file with the City Clerk’s office. No comment via Zoom, in person, or by phone.

V. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS

5.1 – Silverton Chamber of Commerce Monthly Update – Executive Director Stacy Palmer gave the monthly report. 25 new members to the Chamber in 2021. First Citizen Banquet is on February 26th, and award nominations are open on the Chamber webpage and their Facebook page.

VI. PUBLIC HEARING

6.1 – Zone Change at 101 Cherry Street and 208 W. Center Street – Mayor Palmer read general comments to the audience regarding rules for public hearing. Public Hearing was called to order at 6:18pm. No Council members wished to abstain, none had conflict of interest, and none had any significant ex parte conflict. No members of the public challenged the jurisdiction of the City Council to hear this matter. No members of the public wished to challenge any individual members of the Council for bias or a conflict of interest. Mayor Palmer read rules for public meeting conduct. He called for the staff report to list the applicable substantive approval

criteria and standards, inviting Community Development Director Jason Gottgetreu to take over the next portion. CDD Gottgetreu shared his screen, giving an aerial view of the 2 properties in question, both zoned R-1 single family residential. The Cherry Street property-on a flag lot-is owned by the hospital, and is utilized by them. The Center Street property is a single family property that has been converted to hospital use. The proposal is to make the addresses in question part of the public overlay, which is consistent with their current approved usage. CDD Gottgetreu covered traffic impacts, future potential hospital expansions, and the Planning Commission's recommendations. Representatives on behalf of Legacy Health spoke briefly on their intent to now 'clean up' what had been started 15 or so years ago, and rezone the 2 addresses in question. Representatives stated they had plans to relocate the emergency department to align with current health codes, and also to better serve the community. Legacy considered the move of the emergency department a priority. The 208 W. Center Street address encroaches upon the planned location of the future emergency department. Representatives expressed interest in having a community meeting to share what Legacy's plans are for expansion, so that their neighbors had opportunity to hear what was potentially coming. Mayor Palmer asked if there were any members of the audience in favor of the application. There were none. Mayor Palmer asked if there were any members of the audience opposed to the application. There were none. Councilor Freilinger motioned to close the Public Hearing; Public Hearing was closed at 6:36pm. Councilor Miller declared he would abstain from the vote, as he was present for the discussion. Council voted to pass Ordinance 22-01, Ordinance 22-01 approved.

VII. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

7.1 – AV System Approval – City Council authorized the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Design Sound Northwest to install audio visual equipment systems at the new Civic Center.

7.2 – Day Wireless Contract Approval – City Council authorized the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Day Wireless to relocate the police radio system to the new Civic Center building.

7.3 – Appointment to the Mid-Willamette Valley Area Commission on Transportation - Councilor Freilinger moved to nominate Councilor Sears to continue his service on the MWVAC. Motion passed. Councilor Sears will continue his long-term service on this commission.

7.4 – Appointment/Reappointment to the Environmental Management Committee – Councilor Freilinger moved to appoint Councilor Miller as the chair of the EMC for the next term, and work with the City Manager on a more appropriate time for meetings. Motion passed.

7.5 – Civic Center Intersection – City Engineer Bart Stepp presented to Council proposed layout of crosswalks, curb ramps and traffic control patterns at and near the site of the new Civic Center, and ODOT requirements for the area. Discussion included several options for crosswalks and ramps, drainage issues, and extension of sidewalks. Council voted to eliminate the crosswalk across A Street, east of Front Street and to approve crosswalks at A Street/Water Street and across Water Street at the south side of A Street.

VIII. CONSENT

8.1 – Transfer Resolution - No members of Council wished to pull the Resolution for specific consideration. No members of the public wished to pull the Resolution for specific consideration. Councilor Freilinger moved to approve the consent agenda: adopting Resolution 22-01, UV Equipment Maintenance. Motion passed, and Resolution 22-01 was adopted.

IX. CITY MANAGER UPDATE

City Manager Ron Chandler requested that Council provide him with their priorities for the

Street Maintenance Plans, as well as the Water Project Plans. He reminded Council of the Goal Setting session coming up on January 12th (a half day) and 13th (a full day).

X. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Councilor Smith stated appreciation for Sears and Miller for renewing their appointments. Councilor Miller had no communication. Councilor Neideigh thanked Chief Anglemier for the breakdown of the miscellaneous police activity categories, and thanked CM Chandler for the Christmas gift. Councilor Sears inquired of City Engineer Stepp on placement of the new stop sign on Bartlett Street/N. Church Street – Public Works Director Sperle answered that this was part of the scope of work for the Safe Routes to School project. Counselor Sears was concerned as to whether there was any engineering work prior to install of the sign, and expressed that he thought that the City had committed to following MUTCD standards. PW Director Sperle indicated he would look into Sears' concerns. Mayor Palmer chimed in, stating he'd heard from a couple of concerned citizens who had been pleased with the addition of the stop sign as it had made them feel the neighborhood was safer. Councilor Sutton had no communication, nor did Councilor Sutton. Mayor Palmer stated that he was thankful to the City Manager for the [holiday] gift, noting that was not typical. He was also thankful to Sears and Miller for service on the committees. He stated that he'd spoken to City staff about the downtown core not being as well-lit as we would like to see. Mayor Palmer also wished the staff and Council a happy New Year.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council adjourned into Executive Session at 8:54pm. **Executive Session ended at 9:47.**

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Freilinger moved to direct staff to move forward with Item 2 discussed in Executive Session. Meeting was adjourned at 9:49.

Respectfully submitted by:


/s/ Traci Nichols, Assistant to the City Manager/City Clerk