

CITY OF JEFFERSON
Regular Council Meeting Via Zoom
Executive Session & Public Hearing
July 23, 2020
3:00pm

COUNCILORS PRESENT: Mayor Michael Myers, Dave Beyerl, David Watkins, Walt Perry, Bob Rossiter, Edna Campau, Audrey Webster
COUNCILORS ABSENT: None
STAFF PRESENT: Sarah Cook, CM/R; Jeff Buskirk, PWD

- I. **EXECUTIVE SESSION - ORS 192.660(2)(E):** Real Property Transactions
- II. **EXECUTIVE SESSION - ORS192.660(2)(I):** Performance Evaluations of Public Employees

Mayor Myers announced the ORS for each executive session, for which the Council and staff entered at 3pm. Council exited the 1st executive session regarding Real Property Transactions at 3:16pm and immediately entered the 2nd session regarding the Performance Evaluations of Public Employees. Council exited the executive session at 3:26pm and a short break was taken until the regular meeting began at 3:30pm.

- III. **CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Myers called the regular meeting to order at 3:30pm and immediately moved into the first item on the agenda, which was a public hearing.
- IV. **PUBLIC HEARING** – Ordinance #716, for the Levying & Collection of a Special Assessment from Properties Specifically Benefited by Sidewalks on 3rd Street

Mayor Myers opened the public hearing at 3:30pm and read the hearing background and summary. He confirmed no written testimony had been received prior to the meeting and then called for any oral testimony. There was none. Moving on to questions from the Council, Audrey Webster confirmed there was no way to avoid making the homeowners pay without it creating a bias or conflict. With no other questions, the hearing was closed at 3:34pm.

V. OLD BUSINESS

5.1 Ordinance #716

Mayor Myers confirmed there were no Councilors that did not wish to fully adopt the ordinance at the meeting before proceeding to reading Ordinance #716 by title only. Councilor Beyerl moved to adopt Ordinance #716 and move it to the second reading by title only. Councilor Campau seconded. Discussion: Councilor Webster stated she would support the adoption of the ordinance, but wanted it known she also supported the homeowners and would have allowed for sidewalks to be on one side. All in favor: Ayes – 6, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

Mayor Myers proceeded to read Ordinance #716 by title only for the second and final reading. Councilor Beyerl moved that the ordinance pass and that the title of the ordinance become the

ordinance. Councilor Perry seconded. Roll Call: Beyerl – yes; Watkins – yes; Perry – yes; Webster – yes; Campau – yes; Rossiter – yes. **APPROVED.**

5.2 Outcome/Decisions from Executive Session

Councilor Beyerl moved to approve a 2-step merit increase for Public Works Director, Jeff Buskirk. Councilor Campau seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 6, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

Councilor Beyerl moved to approve a 1-step merit increase for City Manager/Recorder, Sarah Cook. Councilor Perry seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 6, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

VI. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Resolution #1067, Setting the Cost of Living Allowance (COLA) for FY 2020-21 to Establish the Adjustment of Employee Salaries Based on the Consumer Price Index

Councilor Campau moved to approve Resolution #1067. Councilor Rossiter seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 6, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

VII. DISCUSSION/INFO

7.1 Working Capital Carryover – FYI – Council was pleased with the information presented.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilor Watkins moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Councilor Beyerl seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 6, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

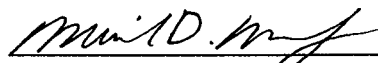
IX. VISITORS – none

X. COUNCIL & STAFF COMMENTS

Several Councilors expressed thanks to staff for maintaining business as usual amidst the current pandemic. Jeff Buskirk offered a brief update on the water treatment plant construction progress. Mayor Myers encouraged those that could, to attend the LOC virtual conference in October.

XI. ADJOURNMENT – Councilor Beyerl moved to adjourn; Walt Perry seconded. All were in favor and the meeting closed at 3:50pm

MINUTES APPROVED this 27th day of August, 2020.



Michael D. Myers, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sarah Cook, City Manager/Recorder