

**CITY OF JEFFERSON**  
Council Worksession  
October 10, 2019  
6:30pm

**COUNCILORS PRESENT:** Dave Beyerl, David Watkins, Bob Rossiter, Edna Campau, Audrey Webster, Mayor Michael Myers

**COUNCILORS ABSENT:** Walt Perry

**STAFF PRESENT:** Sarah Cook, City Manager/Recorder; Jeff Buskirk, PWD; Amy Dixon, COG Planner; MCSO Deputy Olson & West and Sgt. Krieger

I. **COUNCIL MEETING CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE** – Mayor Myers called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and led in the flag salute.

II. **WORKSESSION TOPICS**

A. **PUBLIC HEARING** – Development Code Amendment (DCA) 2019-01: Ordinance# 715

Mayor Myers opened the hearing at 6:30pm and read the prepared statement, seeking declaration of conflicts, bias or prejudice, ex parte contact, or objections from the audience. With no objections of any impartiality, he proceeded to read the required statements from Oregon land use law.

COG Planner, Amy Dixon introduced herself and offered the presentation and summary of the staff report, explaining the 2016 legislation that passed SB1573, noting this was the last step of approval required to make the City's code consistent with state law. The Planning Commission had heard and approved the amendments during their September meeting. Amy proceeded through the staff report, discussing each criterion and noting her findings, with a recommendation that the City Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission by adopting the findings and enacting the proposed ordinance. There were no questions of the Council; no public testimony was given when asked either in favor of, opposed, or neutral to the topic. The public hearing closed at 6:36pm.

Councilor Beyerl moved that the Council adopt the staff report and findings, and approve the proposed amendments, as shown, by proceeding with adoption of Ordinance 715. Councilor Rossiter seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 5, Opposed - 0. **APPROVED.**

Moving on, Mayor Myers read the ordinance adoption procedure guidelines, noting no abstentions or Councilors that did not wish to have the ordinance fully adopted. Mayor Myers read Ordinance 715 by title only for the first reading. Councilor Beyerl moved that the ordinance be adopted and passed to the second reading by title only. Councilor Rossiter seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 5, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

Mayor Myers read Ordinance 715 by title only for the second reading. Councilor Campau moved that Ordinance 715 pass, and that the title of the ordinance become the ordinance. Dave Beyerl seconded. Roll Call Vote: Campau - yes; Beyerl - yes; Rossiter - yes; Webster - yes, Watkins - yes. **APPROVED.**

III. **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE** – Councilor Beyerl moved to approve, seconded by Audrey Webster. All in favor: Ayes – 5, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

#### IV. VISITORS

Karen Wells requested the use of the large fundraising thermometer for the Conser House. She had been storing it in since she used it for the Community Center. All welcomed the idea.

Patti Ball – inquired about their presentation at the prior meeting, wondering if Council had any questions since then as they prepared for it to come back on the 24<sup>th</sup>. She spoke on grants coming up and the pending deadlines, hoping the Council would act fast on the MOU between the City and Historical Society. She asked Council’s approval to continue pursuing those types of grants for the Conser House and where they stood with everything. Mayor Myers polled the Council on their review of the materials and asked if anybody had questions for Patti. The overall consensus was for her to move forward with grants; however, there were concerns expressed about the insurance piece related to volunteers, and the hope that other groups would be involved beyond the City and Historical Society, such as the Chamber and community members. Patti explained she could move forward on grant applications without the volunteer piece included; it simply meant some costs would be higher if they had to use contractors for things such as pulling carpet and bookshelves. Mayor Myers said he was fully supportive of the plan, noting there were details to work through, and that was ok. He suggested, if the Council had questions, to please forward them to Sarah Cook so they could be consolidated and addressed promptly, which will help in terms of time. He added, the City by itself was not going to be able to restore the Conser House and neither would the Historical Society, but together they could and they needed to figure out how.

#### V. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Audrey Webster supplied pictures of crosswalk flags used in Bandon, which Linda Baker had brought up several meetings before. Jeff Buskirk explained his research and attempts to reach ODOT’s permitting department, noting the program would require a permit from them. Jeff explained there were no established crosswalks from the stop light to the elementary school, both of which were already regulated. Using the flag program where there was not an ODOT established crosswalk would tell people it was ok to cross there, placing liability on the City. Though it seemed like it would be a challenge, Council asked Jeff to continue pursuing the permit with the hope something could come of it. There was interest in locating a place where citizens could issue comments to ODOT, which staff would investigate.

- VI. **ADJOURNMENT** – Councilor Beyerl moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilor Campau. All were in favor and the official meeting closed at 7:10pm. Afterward, an open social gathering was held to recognize and congratulate Councilor Webster and her baby on the way, which concluded at 7:45pm.

**MINUTES APPROVED** this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019.



Michael D. Myers, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sarah Cook, City Manager/Recorder