

CITY OF JEFFERSON
Regular Council Meeting
Public Hearings
June 23, 2022
6:30pm

COUNCILORS PRESENT: Walt Perry, David Watkins, Bob Rossiter, Dave Beyerl, David Kellogg,
Mayor Michael Myers
COUNCILORS ABSENT: Keonali Hutley
STAFF PRESENT: Sarah Cook, CM/R; Jeff Buskirk, PWD; Kiel Jenkins, COG Planner

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

- II. **PUBLIC HEARING #1** – LA 2022-01 Via Ordinance #723, Jefferson Transportation System Plan (TSP) & Associated Development Code Amendments

Mayor Myers opened the hearing at 6:31pm and read the Oregon land use law required statements into the record before passing it on to the City’s contract Planner, Kiel Jenkins for presentation of the staff report.

Kiel Jenkins explained the purpose and request for the amendment, file LA 2022-01, associated with the City’s updated TSP, which was a guide for documenting the transportation goals of the City, a resource for identifying deficiencies and improvements, and listed goals and projects necessary for various funding opportunities. He provided background on the work that had gone into preparation of the TSP and related code amendments, noting the staff time in working with the consultants, joint meetings of the Planning Commission and City Council, as well as public engagement opportunities and sitting at the table with key stakeholders in the community, including the Fire Department, business owners, ODOT, City staff and engineers over the last year. Kiel noted the state-wide planning goals had been met where they were applicable, as was the applicable criteria, and briefly went through those findings. He spoke on some of the changes that would come with adoption of the updated TSP and code amendments, which included some roadway designations, sidewalk development and other pedestrian circulation improvements, as well as the addition of a traffic impact analysis for larger developments within the City. The updated documents spoke to the addition of a bus stop in Jefferson, as well as improved communications and coordination with ODOT and Marion County for joint projects down the road. He noted the Planning Commission had reviewed and approved the documents, forwarding it on to the City Council for final adoption, adding that he felt it was a great public benefit and laid out plans for the City’s future.

Lacy Brown, DKS Consultant went through a brief slideshow that outlined the TSP update process and covered the revisions made since the last joint meeting where the Council’s comments and concerns were taken into account and reflected in the final draft. She reminded all that the TSP was guidelines and recommendations for the City, not requirements set in stone. There was no order or priority to their recommendations; only suggestions for how they believed the City’s funds could be best spent. Moving on, Lacy reviewed the initial goals of the TSP, then moved on to the key findings for all modes

of travel as it related to improving safety and connectivity, and finally to the 32 potential projects identified within the plan, which totaled about \$81.6 million, noting most of them were partnership projects where other funding agencies would be involved.

Mayor Myers confirmed with staff that the updates were acceptable and workable for them, as well as Westech, to which the Public Works Director indicated they were.

Questions from Council: none

Public testimony in favor of the proposal: none

Public testimony opposed to the proposal: none

Public testimony neutral to the proposal: none

Council comments: Councilor Beyerl said any concerns he had were overruled by the state. Mayor Myers was very impressed with all the work put into the update and with no further comments, questions, or testimony he closed the hearing at 7:06pm.

Councilor Kellogg moved to adopt the findings from the staff report and recommended the City Council approve LA 2022-01 via Ordinance #723. Councilor Perry seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 5, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

Moving on to Ordinance #723, Mayor Myers read the required ordinance adoption statements and read the title of the ordinance for the first reading, after verifying there were no abstentions.

Councilor Beyerl moved to adopt Ordinance #723 and move it to the second reading by title only.

Councilor Perry seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 5, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.** Mayor Myers proceeded to read Ordinance #723 a second time, by title only. Councilor Beyerl moved to adopt Ordinance #723 and that the title of the ordinance become the ordinance. Councilor Rossiter seconded. Roll Call: Watkins – yes; Perry – yes; Rossiter – yes; Kellogg – yes; Beyerl – yes. **APPROVED.**

III. PUBLIC HEARING #2 – FY 2022-23 Budget

Mayor Myers opened the hearing at 7:13pm, read the purpose of the hearing, background, and summary. Sarah Cook confirmed no written testimony had been received to date, before Mayor Myers called for any oral testimony, to which there was none. There were no questions from the Council, as they were involved in the budget process from the beginning as members of the Budget Committee. The hearing was closed at 7:45pm.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

4.1 Resolution #1081, Setting Public Safety Fees

Having discussed the topic at numerous meetings and public forums over the last several months, there was no discussion amongst the Council and no public comment. Councilor Beyerl moved to adopt Resolution #1081 and Councilor Perry seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 5, Opposed – 0.

APPROVED.

V. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Resolution #1082, Declaring the City's Election to Receive State Revenues

Councilor Rossiter moved to adopt Resolution #1082 and Councilor Watkins seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 5, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

5.2 Resolution #1083, Adopting the Budget, Making Appropriations, and Imposing & Categorizing Taxes for FY 2022-23

Councilor Beyerl moved to adopt Resolution #1083 and Councilor Kellogg seconded. All in favor: Ayes – 5, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

VI. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

6.1 Proclamation Declaring Saturday, June 18, 2022 as Glenny Marlatt Day – FYI. Mayor Myers said he received positive feedback and enjoyed the day.

6.2 2022 Election Application Packet – FYI. Councilor Beyerl indicated he had spoke to a few people about their interest in running for Council but was not aware of anybody committing to it. Councilor Rossiter planned to run again; however, he was experiencing scheduling problems at his job. Mayor Myers was glad to hear of his interest to continue on the City Council, noting his appreciation to Bob for coming to meetings prepared, getting involved, and having good questions. Mayor Myers added he too planned to run for one more term and, if elected, it would be his last. He encouraged the Council and citizens present to talk to people in the community about the upcoming election and vacancies on the Council.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA – Councilor Beyerl moved to approve; seconded by Councilor Rossiter. All in favor: Ayes – 5, Opposed – 0. **APPROVED.**

VIII. VISITORS

Linda Baker, Filbert Street – was representing the LAC to invite all to the first Farmer's Market on Tuesday, July 12th from 3-7pm.

IX. COUNCIL & STAFF UPDATES/COMMENTS

Sarah Cook shared the annual audit was scheduled for the first part of September, and that she had been awarded a full scholarship to attend the OCCMA Conference in July.

Councilor Kellogg questioned the purpose of the City's involvement in the MPO and the benefit received by being a part of it, noting some of the requirements in the TSP update because of it. Councilor Beyerl explained when the MPO was formed, the City had the option to have representation at the table or not, and because of that participation, the City was in line for public transportation. Another benefit was to be able to sit face to face with ODOT reps. Councilor Perry

further explained the federal government process in creating the MPO, which had nothing to do with city lines, but a culmination of populous and added, while they weren't there voluntarily in the beginning, it was working for the City. Jeff Buskirk was curious if Albany was large enough to stand alone in the MPO yet, noting in the beginning they needed the additional population from Tangent, Millersburg, and Jefferson. He talked about the federal MS4 permit for stormwater and how the MPO has affected that, noting the troubling position the City of Turner was placed in when they became part of Salem's MPO. Jeff explained the City was already 4 years into a 5-year waiver, and he hoped they would be approved for another 5 years.

In Councilor Hutley's planned absence, she submitted written comments requesting discussion about the Juneteenth and Indigenous Peoples' Day holidays at a future meeting of the Council. Mayor Myers asked that it be added to the next meeting agenda, noting it would be a good history lesson.

- X. **ADJOURNMENT** – Councilor Beyerl moved to adjourn; seconded by Councilor Kellogg. All were in favor and the meeting closed at 7:43pm.

MINUTES APPROVED this 25th day of August, 2022.



Michael D. Myers, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sarah Cook, City Manager/Recorder