

CITY OF PRINEVILLE

Regular Meeting Brief

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City Council Meeting Brief January 28, 2025

Council Members Present:

Jason Beebe Jerry Brummer Marv Sumner Janet Hutchison Shane Howard Scott Smith Steve Uffelman

Council Members Absent

None.

Additions to the Agenda

None.

Consent Agenda

- 1. Regular Meeting Brief 1-14-2025
- 2. Police Department Property Conversion

Councilor Sumner made a motion to approve consent agenda as presented. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Visitors, Appearances and Requests

No one came forward.

Council Presentations

None.

Council Business

3. Consideration of Planning Commission Recommendation for Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment – Josh Smith

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Josh Smith, Planning Director provided the background information and explained that this is to reconcile this property with the zone map. The Planning Commission looked at this previously aware of the discrepancy between the two maps and decided to hold off on the amendment to see how it would be developed in the future.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on January 21, 2025 and there was no opposition to the change and recommended approval of the amendment.

Unless the Council would like to review the amendment, an ordinance will be brought back to Council for consideration.

Council agreed that there is no need for them to review.

4. Consideration of Invitation to Bid for Prineville Republic Disposal Third Party Audit – Steve Forrester

Steve Forrester, City Manager explained that there is a staff report in the packet to consider a third-party audit, but this isn't really about a financial audit, but rather a concern for quality of service. Mr. Forrester recommended that Council should consider a reporting method on complaints and how they are resolved.

Councilor Uffelman stated that he is in concert with Mr. Forrester and feels that performing an audit would be a waste of resources. If we have a problem with service, we should focus on improving service.

Councilor Brummer agrees with Councilor Uffelman and would like to work with Republic. Councilor Brummer added that he wants to keep the reporting separate from the County and focus on just the city.

Councilor Sumner agrees with everyone and supports focusing on quality of service.

Councilor Smith thought the expected cost of an audit was expensive and feels a focus on service is the way to go with reporting on that.

Councilor Hutchison talked about the section in the franchise that requires notifying the City on complaints and how they are resolved and would like to see that, with also seeing progress on the customer service. It would be difficult for her to approve a rate increase without seeing improvements.

Jered Reid, City Attorney referred to the 2007 Ordinance that references a complaint form, and the city should coordinate with Republic on amending the ordinance and method of reporting complaints.

Mr. Forrester talked about updating the franchise agreement with reporting systems that has newer data collecting systems. Staff and Republic could probably have something within a month and bring back to Council to make sure that it is something that Council wants to see.

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Ms. Voss explained that information could definitely be pulled rather easy and will work on getting that together.

Mayor Beebe stated that he agrees with everything he has heard from other Councilors and that what he is hearing is about the quality of service as well. Mayor Beebe added that he appreciates all the support that Republic gives the community for different events.

Ms. Voss stated that she has already started working on how the reporting could look.

5. Intent to Award ASR#2 Well & Pump Station Project – Casey Kaiser

Casey Kaiser, Assistant City Manager / PW Director presented the staff report explaining that constructing a second injection and recovery well will double capacity and provide backup to the single existing injection and recovery well.

There were no questions.

Councilor Smith made a motion to move forward with the intent to award the ASR#2 Well and Pump Station Project to Taylor NW in the amount of \$2,865,845.00. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Staff Reports and Requests:

6. City Manager's Report – Steve Forrester

Mr. Forrester went through his report to Council highlighting activities in each department.

Councilor Hutchison said "Great job" to Caroline for keeping up on grants and being as successful as she has been.

Council Reports

Councilor Uffelman is in Salem and has been meeting with legislators and Governor's staff to get some things moving forward. He was able to meet with Representative Daniel Nguyen and Senator Lew Frederick, both of whom are interested in visiting Prineville to check out economic development and our successes. The date is uncertain yet.

Councilor Hutchison had an Ochoco Forest Service meeting and basically discussed all the wildfire projects they have ahead of them now, and they are looking at moving hazard trees to get the public back out to enjoy the forest.

There were no further reports.

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Ordinances:

None.

Resolutions:

7. Resolution No. 1613 – Adopting a Supplemental Budget (PUBLIC HEARING)– Lori Hooper Antram

Mayor Beebe opened the public hearing portion of the meeting.

Lori Hooper Antram, Finance Director presented the staff report stating that this is for railroad additional costs in materials and costs for bridge repairs and the purchase of the locomotive.

No written comments were received, no one in the audience came forward and participants online did not comment.

Mayor Beebe closed the public hearing portion of the meeting.

There were no questions.

Councilor Hutchison made a motion to approve Resolution No. 1613. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Visitors, Appearances and Requests:

Jerald Jackman asked Council to explore better ways to communicate. He talked about transparency and stated that he was informed by someone that he couldn't talk to Council without causing a public meeting.

No one else came forward.

Adjourn

Councilor Howard made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded. No discussion on motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 P.M.

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Motions and Outcomes:

Motion:	Outcome	Beebe	Brummer	Howard	Hutchison	Smith	Sumner	Uffelman
Consent Agenda as Presented	PASSED	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Motion to move forward with the intent to award the ASR#2 Well and Pump Station Project to Taylor NW in the amount of \$2,865,845.00	PASSED	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Resolution No. 1613 – Adopting a Supplemental Budget (PUBLIC HEARING)	PASSED	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Adjourn Meeting	PASSED	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

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