



MINUTES

Wednesday, June 9, 2021

Regular Session

Immediately following the Albany Revitalization Agency meeting that begins at 6:00 p.m.

REMOTE

Approved: August 11, 2021

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Alex Johnson II called the meeting to order at 6:19 p.m. The mayor led the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call

Councilors present: Mayor Alex Johnson II and Councilors Dick Olsen, Matilda Novak, Stacey Bartholomew, Ray Kopczynski, Bessie Johnson, and Marilyn Smith

Councilors absent: None.

Public hearings

a. Adoption of 2022-2026 Capital Improvement Program (CIP).

Open: Johnson II opened the public hearing at 6:20 p.m.

There were no written materials submitted and no one signed up to speak.*

Close: Johnson II closed the public hearing at 6:21 p.m.

Public Works Operations Director Chris Bailey said the CIP was reviewed in a joint meeting with the Budget Committee, Planning Commission, and the city council.

MOTION: Councilor Bessie Johnson moved to approve the resolution adopting the 2022-2026 Capital Improvement Plan and Councilor Ray Kopczynski seconded. The motion passed 6-0 and was designated Resolution No. 6993.

b. State shared revenues.

- 1) Declare eligibility to receive state shared revenues
- 2) Elect to receive state shared revenues

Open: Johnson II opened the public hearing at 6:23 p.m.

There were no written materials submitted and no one signed up to speak.*

Close: Johnson II closed the public hearing at 6:23 p.m.

Finance Director Jeanna Yeager explained the resolutions for state shared revenues. These are used for the transit program.

MOTION: Kopczynski moved to adopt the resolution declaring eligibility to receive state shared revenues and Councilor Marilyn Smith seconded. The motion passed 6-0 and was designated Resolution No. 6994.

MOTION: Kopczynski moved to adopt the resolution electing to receive state shared revenues and Johnson seconded. The motion passed 6-0 and was designated Res. No. 6995.

c. Planning Division fee adjustments.

Open: Johnson II opened the public hearing at 6:26 p.m.

There were no written materials submitted and no one signed up to speak.*

Close: Johnson II closed the public hearing at 6:27 p.m.

Development Services Manager Matthew Ruetters said this is the annual inflationary increase. The annual adjustment keeps up with the consumer price index. This is not automatically increased; it comes to council for approval.

MOTION: Johnson moved to adopt the resolution and Kopczynski seconded. The motion passed 6-0 and was designated Resolution No. 6996.

d. Utility Rate Adjustments for FY 2021-2022.

Open: Johnson II opened the public hearing at 6:33 p.m.

There were no written materials submitted and no one signed up to speak.*

Close: Johnson II closed the public hearing at 6:33 p.m.

Bailey said this is the annual rate adjustment. Staff presented this to council in April. The recommended increase is 3.5 percent for water, 3.5 percent for sewer, and 17 percent for stormwater, which although it is a large percentage, the actual increase was minimal.

Bailey explained that stormwater is charged for those without water meters because everyone benefits from a well-managed stormwater system resulting in less flooding in streets, culverts, and ditches.

MOTION: Kopczynski moved to approve the wastewater increase via resolution; the water increase via resolution; and the stormwater increase via resolution. Smith seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

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| 1) Wastewater | RES NO. <u>6997</u> |
| 2) Water | RES NO. <u>6998</u> |
| 3) Stormwater | RES NO. <u>6999</u> |

e. Public Works Fee Adjustments for FY 2021-2022.

Open: Johnson II opened the public hearing at 6:41 p.m.

There were no written materials submitted and no one signed up to speak.*

Close: Johnson II closed the public hearing at 6:41 p.m.

Engineering Manager/Assistant City Engineer Rob Emmons said these are annual adjustments, and include system development charges (SDCs) for water, wastewater, and transportation; and utility connection charges for street, sanitary, water, and storm drainage connection. Details are in the staff report.

MOTION: Johnson moved to approve public works fee adjustment resolutions, items 3.e. 1) through 8), and Kopczynski seconded. The motion passed 6-0.

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| 1) Water SDC | RES NO. <u>7000</u> |
| 2) Wastewater SDC | RES NO. <u>7001</u> |
| 3) Transportation SDC | RES NO. <u>7002</u> |
| 4) Street Connection Charge | RES NO. <u>7003</u> |
| 5) Sanitary Sewer Connection Charge | RES NO. <u>7004</u> |
| 6) Water Connection Charge | RES NO. <u>7005</u> |
| 7) Storm Drainage Connection Charge | RES NO. <u>7006</u> |
| 8) Post-Construction Stormwater Quality Program Fee | RES NO. <u>7007</u> |

Councilor Dick Olsen asked if SDCs can be lowered to make housing more affordable. Emmons said at the next work session, staff will present a memo that outlines process they will undertake this summer to consider that very issue.

f. Adoption of 2021-2023 Biennium Budget.

Open: Johnson II opened the public hearing at 6:53 p.m.

There were no written materials submitted and no one signed up to speak.*

Close: Johnson II closed the public hearing at 6:54 p.m.

Yeager noted that the budget committee approved the budget and it's ready for council adoption.

City Manager Peter Troedsson explained that a budget committee is made up of seven lay members and the full council. There is no provision in state law for lay members to meet outside of a publicly noticed budget committee meeting. The process is very transparent and all members are invited to contact Yeager or Troedsson at any time with questions.

MOTION: Kopczynski moved to adopt the resolution adopting the Approved 2021-2023 BN budget and Smith seconded. The motion passed 5-1 with Novak voting no and was designated Resolution No. 7008.

Business from the public

7:00 p.m.

Johnson II said that no one submitted materials for the record.

The following persons spoke:

Susan Leonard, Albany, said she listened to a work session about policing. She was concerned about a statement made by council that was not countered. She spoke about convictions and arrests. She asked people to choose their words carefully and consider their own privilege.

Bill Case spoke about the Albany water intake area on south Santiam River. He farms near the water intake and described what the Environmental Protection Agency has asked him to do with the water intake. He shared his ideas for shoring the bank. Troedsson said that he and City Attorney Sean Kidd are both aware of Case's concerns and have been in communication with him.

Second reading of ordinance

7:10 p.m.

Comprehensive plan map and zoning map amendment, CP-01-21/ZC-01-21.

The first reading of the ordinance in title only took place at the May 16, 2021, city council meeting.

Kidd read the ordinance for the second time in title only.

Staff confirmed there were no comments from the public.

MOTION: Johnson moved to adopt the ordinance and Smith seconded. The motion passed 6-0 and was designated Ordinance No. 5959.

First reading of ordinance

City services fee methodology.

Troedsson described the methodology used, the extensive public outreach, and the services the city services fee would support if passed.

Kidd read the ordinance for the first time in title only.

MOTION: Smith moved to read the ordinance for a second time in title only and Kopczynski seconded. The motion failed 3-3 with Novak, Olsen, and Councilor Stacey Bartholomew voting no. A second reading in title only in the same meeting requires a unanimous vote of the Council. This ordinance will come back to the June 23, 2021, city council meeting for an automatic second reading in title only.

Adoption of resolutions

- a. Setting city services fee rate

This item will come back to the June 23, 2021, city council meeting.

- b. Establishing low-income assistance program for city services fee

This item will come back to the June 23, 2021, city council meeting.

- c. Applying for HB2001 plan grant

Staff did not have additional comments on this item.

MOTION: Kopczynski moved to approve the resolution and Johnson seconded. The motion passed 6-0 and was designated Resolution No. 7009.

Approval of Agreements

- a. Approving a sole-source procurement of Apex training equipment and software

Police Chief Marcia Harnden described how APEX will be used for officer training.

MOTION: Kopczynski moved to approve the resolution and Smith seconded. The motion passed 6-0 and was designated Resolution No. 7010.

- b. Approving a sole-source procurement of WatchGuard Video 4RE interview room camera system.

Harnden said the current equipment, body cameras and car video, is failing. Using this vendor to replace those items is most efficient.

MOTION: Novak moved to approve the resolution and Johnson seconded. The motion passed 6-0 and was designated Resolution No. 7011.

Adoption of consent agenda

- a. Accepting Derrick Samuels's resignation from the Human Relations Commission.
- b. Accepting Karen Tressler's resignation from the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission.
- c. Approval of minutes
 - 1) February 8, 2021, joint with Planning Commission.
 - 2) February 22, 2021, joint with Planning Commission.
- d. Recommendation to OLCC
 - 1) Approve liquor license application, winery 1st location, Delfino Fine Wines, 3111 Santiam Highway SE, Suite G.
- e. Adoption of resolutions
 - 1) Extending worker's compensation coverage to volunteers. RES NO. 7012
 - 2) Appointing city manager pro tem. RES NO. 7013

MOTION: Novak moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Smith seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

Staff report

Access and parking for 1207 Ninth Avenue SE.

Transportation Systems Analyst Ron Irish said the city has a sliver of property considered surplus. Someone has asked for permanent access to the strip. Council directed staff to negotiate with the person. Council could decide if they want to sell the property or provide an access easement. A public hearing would be held for the sale.

MOTION: Smith moved to set a public hearing date for July 14, 2021, for purposes of sale of the property. Novak seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

Business from the council

7:35 p.m.

Johnson said she was asked if the city could use an equal pay program for utility bills.

Smith spoke about the city services fee. The city services fee would help to close the funding gap in the budget. She is in strong support.

Novak wants to work towards making changes to the state of Oregon's budget laws. She also takes issue with the BN budget as opposed to an annual budget. Troedsson explained that while there is room for improvement, the state law heavily dictates how the budget document must look. BN budgets forces cities to think in the long term; when Albany has two BNs to compare side to side, the evaluation process will be easier.

Kopczynski is strongly in favor of the city services fee.

Olsen spoke about pipe-bursting in neighborhoods.

Bartholomew is interested in the resolution that would help those with low income should the city services fee pass.

City manager report

Troedsson said Fire Chief Shane Wooton would be City Manager pro tem in his absence.

Next meeting dates

Monday, June 21, 2021; 4:00 p.m. work session
Wednesday, June 23, 2021; 6:00 p.m. regular meeting
ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Mary Dibble
City Clerk

Peter Troedsson
City Manager

**Documents discussed at the meeting that are not in the agenda packet are archived in the record. Documents from staff are posted to the website after the meeting. Documents submitted by the public are available by emailing cityclerk@cityofalbany.net.*