



## COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

City Hall Council Chambers, 10722 SE Main Street  
& Zoom Video Conference ([www.milwaukieoregon.gov](http://www.milwaukieoregon.gov))

2380<sup>th</sup> Meeting

## MINUTES

MAY 2, 2023

**Council Present:** Councilors Adam Khosroabadi, Robert Massey, Rebecca Stavenjord, and Council President Desi Nicodemus, and Mayor Lisa Batey

<b>Staff Present:</b> Ryan Burdick, Police Captain Steve Adams, City Engineer Justin Gericke, City Attorney	Nicole Madigan, Deputy City Recorder Ann Ober, City Manager Peter Passarelli, Public Works Director
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**Mayor Batey** called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

**A. Pledge of Allegiance.**

**B. Native Lands Acknowledgment.**

### 2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Mayor Batey** announced upcoming activities including the start of the Milwaukie Farmers Market season, neighborhood district association (NDA) elections, and several annual community plant sales. **Batey** also noted that May is American Wetlands Month.

### 3. PROCLAMATIONS AND AWARDS

#### **A. Mental Health Awareness Month – Proclamation**

**Burdick** and **Gary Marschke** with the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Clackamas introduced the proclamation and remarked on the work of addressing mental health issues. **Mayor Batey** proclaimed May 2023 to be Mental Health Awareness Month.

#### **B. National Law Enforcement Week – Proclamation**

**Burdick** commented on the sacrifices made by law enforcement officers in the line of duty. **Mayor Batey** proclaimed May 14-20, 2023, to be Law Enforcement Week.

#### **C. Teacher Appreciation Week – Proclamation**

**Council President Nicodemus** remarked on the importance of recognizing educators and **Mayor Batey** proclaimed May 7-13, 2023, to be Teacher Appreciation Week.

#### **D. Public Service Recognition Week – Proclamation**

**Mayor Batey** and **Ober** commented on the importance of public service and the work of city staff. **Batey** proclaimed May 7-13, 2023, to be Public Service Recognition Week.

**4. SPECIAL REPORTS**

**A. Milwaukie Community Center (MCC) Update – Report**

**Wilda Parks**, MCC Board Member, thanked Council for the opportunity to serve on the MCC Board and remarked on the center’s recent name change. **Parks** and **Mayor Batey** noted the center’s upcoming fundraiser dinner and that MCC Board Member Virginia Seitz was also present.

**Marty Hanley**, MCC Director, provided an overview of the center’s history, noting that the center was run by the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District (NCPRD), and reported on the center’s programming including geriatric social, transportation, nutritional, and recreational services, and facility rentals. **Hanley** and **Parks** remarked on the MCC Board’s interest in expanding the services offered to all age groups.

**Mayor Batey**, **Parks**, and **Hanley** noted plans to add a mural and that there was an artisan gift shop at the center. They commented on the revenue generated by the weekly bingo night event and how the MCC Foundation used its funds to support social service programs.

The group commented on the center’s upcoming fundraising dinner.

**Councilor Massey** asked if the board felt whether anything could be added to the center to improve its use and **Hanley** suggested that an expanded pavilion at the Sara Hite Memorial Rose Garden would enhance the garden’s usability as an outdoor venue. **Parks** remarked on the possibility of doing a better job of getting the word out about the lunches offered at the center.

**Mayor Batey** and **Hanley** noted that the rose garden was maintained by NCPRD staff and community volunteers.

The group noted that the transportation services offered by the center were for community members aged 60 and older. They remarked on public transit options to the center and North Clackamas Park. **Councilor Khosroabadi** and **Hanley** noted that the rose garden could be used for performing arts activities.

**B. Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Projects – Report**

**Shelli Romero**, ODOT Region 1 Area Manager, **Tiffany Slauter**, ODOT Region 1 Traffic Operations Engineer, **Tova Peltz**, ODOT Deputy Division Administrator, **Reem Khaki**, ODOT Project Manager, and **Terry Song** with CONSOR Engineers, introduced themselves. **Romero** explained the geographic area covered by ODOT Region 1 and noted ongoing ODOT projects in Milwaukie

**Romero** provided an overview of the project along Hwy 224 from 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Rusk Road, noting the project schedule. **Mayor Batey** and **Romero** noted the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) ramp and sidewalk work included in the 17<sup>th</sup> to Rusk project. **Peltz** noted crosswalk closures that would occur as part of the project and explained how such closures are determined.

**Song** discussed ODOT’s plans to close or enhance crosswalks along Hwy 224 at 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Edison Street, Lake Road, and Rusk Road and the group commented on the proposed sidewalk closures.

**Councilor Stavenjord** remarked on the patch work of city and state projects scheduled along Hwy 224 and elsewhere and asked about the plan for keeping Council informed

on the projects progress. **Adams** explained how city staff and contractors and Clackamas County project managers would provide updates to Council.

**Councilor Stavenjord** asked about the integration of the city's Transportation System Plan (TSP) update and the noted ODOT projects. **Adams** and **Romero** reported that city and state staff had been in communication about TSP and transportation project funding, approval, and coordination.

**Mayor Batey** and **Slauter** discussed the type of sensor signals to be installed on Hwy 224 and whether the signals will be able to distinguish between vehicles and bicycles.

**Slauter** reported on other ODOT projects that would result in sidewalk closures in Milwaukie at Hwy 99E and Ochoco Street and Hwy 99E and Jackson Street and Jefferson Street, and a signal improvement at Hwy 224 and Oak Street. **Mayor Batey** remarked on community support for the Oak Street enhancement.

## **5. COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

**Mayor Batey** noted that no audience member wished to speak to Council.

## **6. CONSENT AGENDA**

It was moved by **Councilor Khosroabadi** and seconded by **Councilor Massey** to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

### **A. City Council Meeting Minutes:**

1. April 4, 2023, Work Session, and
2. April 4, 2023, Regular Session.

### **B. Resolution 22-2023: A resolution of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, Oregon, amending the bylaws of the Audit Committee.**

Motion passed with the following vote: **Councilors Khosroabadi, Massey, Nicodemus, and Stavenjord** and **Mayor Batey** voting "aye." [5:0]

## **7. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**A. None Scheduled.**

## **8. PUBLIC HEARING**

**A. None Scheduled.**

## **9. COUNCIL REPORTS**

**Councilor Khosroabadi** reported on a meeting with Clackamas County Water Environment Services (WES) staff regarding their work to revise WES' system development charges (SDC) methodology. **Khosroabadi** suggested the city revisit its SDCs and construction excise tax (CET) program. The group noted that WES' SDCs would be considered by the Clackamas Board of County Commissioners (BCC) soon and commented on WES' proposed budget.

**Ober** and **Passarelli** noted the city's recent work to adopt a tiered SDC rate structure for wastewater and were looking at a similar approach for water SDCs. **Passarelli** reported that the city's budget considered WES' costs.

**Council President Nicodemus** and **Ober** reported that Ben Johnson, the city's representative to the NCPRD District Advisory Committee (DAC), had resigned due to a

work-related conflict of interest. **Nicodemus** noted that NCPRD was looking at referring a ballot measure to voters regarding the creation of an independent NCPRD Board.

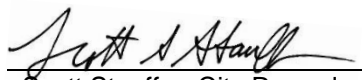
**10. ADJOURNMENT**

**Mayor Batey** announced that after the meeting Council would meet in executive session pursuant to Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 192.660 (2)(h) to consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.

**It was moved by Council President Nicodemus and seconded by Councilor Khosroabadi to adjourn the Regular Session. Motion passed with the following vote: Councilors Khosroabadi, Massey, Nicodemus, and Stavenjord and Mayor Batey voting “aye.” [5:0]**

**Mayor Batey** adjourned the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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Scott Stauffer, City Recorder