

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF REDMOND WAS HELD JULY 18, 2023, IN CIVIC ROOMS 207/208.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Tobias Colvin – Clifford Evelyn – Ed Fitch – John Nielsen – Kathryn Osborne – Shannon Wedding – Cat Zwicker

RCAPP MEMBERS PRESENT: Khrisma Carter, Scott Larson, Jennifer Palmer, Jackie Petrovic, KC Snider, Bruce Taylor, Tabitha Young

RCAPP MEMBERS ABSENT: Darleen Veenhuizen, Joanne Wheeler

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Keith Witcosky – Deputy City Manager John Roberts – Deputy City Manager & Chief Financial Officer Jason Neff – City Attorney Keith Leitz – Police Chief Devin Lewis – Communications Director Heather Cassaro – Public Works Director & City Engineer Jessica MacClanahan – Deputy City Recorder Kayla Duddy

MEDIA PRESENT: None

Mayor Fitch called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

The Council proceeded to Item A, Presentations & Discussions.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Systems Commissioning contract to Systems West Engineers for the Public Safety Facility: \$121,100

Police Chief Devin Lewis requested approval of a contract with Systems West Engineers in a not to exceed amount of \$121,100 for Commissioning Services. The City's Owner's Representative, Cumming, issued a Request for Proposal and five proposals were received. After a committee review, Systems West Engineers was selected based on their experience with similar projects, local knowledge, ability to meet the schedule, and financial considerations.

Councilor Evelyn moved, seconded by Councilor Osborne, to award a contract for Public Service Safety Facility [Public Safety Facility] Commissioning Service to Systems West Engineer[s] in the amount of and not to exceed \$121,100 and authorize the City Manager to sign the contract, motion passed. (Colvin-yes, Evelyn-yes, Fitch-yes, Nielsen-yes, Osborne-yes, Wedding-yes, Zwicker-yes)

B. Ground Lease of approximately 12-acres from Deschutes County, located at 1002 NE 17th, for the East Redmond Homeless Campus.

City Manager Keith Witcosky provided an overview of terms for a ground lease which secures 12 acres of County-owned land for the East Redmond Homeless Campus.

Mayor Fitch explained in more detail the discussions that have occurred regarding the planned use of the leased land and described future steps.

Staff address questions from the Council.

Councilor Zwicker moved, seconded by Councilor Colvin, to approve a ground lease with Deschutes County for approximately 12 acres located at 1002 NE 17th Street and authorize the City Manager to sign the lease and make the non-substantive changes if they are required by the County for approval, motion passed. (Colvin-yes, Evelyn-yes, Fitch-yes, Nielsen-yes, Osborne-yes, Wedding-yes, Zwicker-yes)

Council proceeded to Item B, Presentations & Discussions.

PRESENTATIONS & DISCUSSIONS

A. Joint Workshop with Redmond Commission for Art in Public Places

Deputy City Manager John Roberts introduced the topics for the joint discussion with the Redmond Commission for Art in Public Places (RCAPP) which include new initiatives, ongoing initiatives, and goals for the year.

RCAPP Chair Bruce Taylor shared the concept of the Percent for Public Art Program and what it can offer to the community. The program directs a percentage of capital improvement construction costs to public art located at the project site. Mr. Taylor shared art program percentages for Oregon cities with varying populations, potential outcomes for Redmond, and examples of opportunities where creativity could have been added to projects within Redmond.

RCAPP Vice Chair Khrista Carter expanded upon RCAPP's history noting that since it's creation, RCAPP has received 52 pieces of permanent art. Ms. Carter discussed RCAPP's ongoing programs, such as Art Around the Clock, and three goals for the upcoming year, which consist of identifying grant sources, increasing awareness and appreciation of public art, and expanding forms of public art such as the performing arts and an art festival.

Staff and RCAPP Members addressed questions from Council throughout the presentation.

The Council stated that they would need more details to consider the program and asked for additional information on other cities' budgets, where the program has been done, and what the process looked like.

After a short break, Mayor Fitch reconvened the meeting and a quorum of the Council was established.

The Council proceeded to the Consent Agenda.

B. Northpoint Mixed-Income Neighborhood Project

Mr. Roberts and Elden and Co. Co-Founder Jill Sherman, provided updates on the Northpoint Mixed-Income Neighborhood Project, reviewing the process to date, the Exclusive Negotiating Agreement, infrastructure improvements and funding, next steps, and timelines.

Staff and Ms. Sherman addressed questions from Council throughout the presentation.

There being no further business for open session and no motions expected as a result of Executive Session, Mayor Fitch adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Fitch convened the Council into Executive Session at 7:37 p.m. in accordance with ORS 192.660(2)(e) which authorizes executive session "to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions."

Mayor Fitch adjourned Executive Session at 7:38 p.m.

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APPROVED by the City Council and SIGNED by the Mayor this 22nd day of August 2023.

/s/ Ed Fitch
Ed Fitch, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Kayla Duddy
Kayla Duddy, Deputy City Recorder