

COTTAGE GROVE CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 25, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jeff Gowing called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

ROLL CALL

City Recorder Mindy Roberts called the roll. The following were

PRESENT IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS:	Mayor Gowing, Councilors Candace Solesbee, Chalice Savage, Mike Fleck, Jon Stinnett, Greg Ervin, and Kenneth Michael Roberts
PRESENT VIA GOTOMEETING:	None
COUNCIL ABSENT:	None
YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE	Emma McDonald
STAFF PRESENT IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS:	City Manager Richard Meyers, City Recorder Mindy Roberts, Public Works & Development Director Faye Stewart, Police Chief Scott Shepherd, and Finance Director Roberta Likens
STAFF PRESENT VIA GOTOMEETING:	Assistant to the City Manager Jake Boone, and City Planner Eric Mongan
CITY ATTORNEY:	Carrie Connelly
MEDIA PRESENT:	Damien Sherwood, The Sentinel, Ryleigh Norgrove, The Chronicle and Cameron Reiten, KNND Radio

ITEMS ADDED TO THE AGENDA

None

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Rob Dickinson 31755 Gowdyville Rd, Cottage Grove Oregon urged Council to form a Climate Advisory Committee which would work to formulate a climate action plan for Cottage Grove. He read from a report stating information regarding climate change and the effects on the environment.

Duane Taddei 77561 Hwy 99 S., Cottage Grove Oregon expressed his discontent with the style of the Town Hall and with the City Manager for not answering questions when on the radio program. He urged people to listen to the KNND Facebook page and watch today's on air meeting and he commended Councilor Roberts, Ervin and Solesbee for asking the tough questions.

Kathleen Matteson 1740 Bryant Ave., Cottage Grove Oregon said our City can stay wholesome and good and it is sad to see these things are happening here.

Dick Gilkison 1226 Dublin, Cottage Grove, Oregon said putting the homeless on Hwy 99 South is a bad idea and it would be dangerous for the people walking back and forth and putting it out by the Fairgrounds would be better.

Johanna Zee 1386 Cottonwood Place Cottage Grove, Oregon said she enjoyed the Green Living Fair last week. She said CRT is alive and required in the schools from a funding standpoint and it is called social, emotional learning and equity training among other labels. She spoke about a school based health clinic and said it is not a need in our community rather than an ongoing agenda to integrate our children into the health care system and remove parents from the equation. She said there is a guidebook on how to get the clinics into play and how to remove parents from involvement. She asked Council to consider investigating it further, asked if it really serves our children, and presented a document from the Parent's Rights and Education to the City Recorder for the record.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

CONSENT AGENDA

- (a) Approval of March 28, 2022 City Council Meeting Minutes
- (b) Approval of April 5, 2022 Town Hall Minutes
- (c) Approval of April 8, 2022 Agenda Session Minutes
- (d) Building Safety Month Proclamation
- (e) Mental Health Awareness Month Proclamation
- (f) Bike Month Proclamation
- (g) Municipal Clerk/Recorder Week Proclamation

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR FLECK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR ROBERTS TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Roberts	Councilor Stinnett	Councilor Savage	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Solesbee	Councilor Ervin	Mayor Gowing
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

- (a) First Vote on an Ordinance Annexing 151 Sweet Lane (Map/TL: 20-03-32-41-00900) into the City of Cottage Grove (A 2-21)

City Planner Eric Mongan presented the background information regarding the proposed annexation. He said the purpose is to further develop the property under the City of Cottage Grove jurisdiction and the application meets all criteria for annexation.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR ERVIN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR SOLESBEE TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NUMBER 3157.

Councilor Roberts said he hopes that this will be used to create more housing and said it is a good thing for the community.

Mayor Gowing asked if there was any further discussion.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Roberts	Councilor Stinnett	Councilor Savage	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Solesbee	Councilor Ervin	Mayor Gowing
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

Mayor Gowing announced Ordinance Number 3157 was adopted.

(b) An Ordinance Amending Annual Effective Period of Section 8.12.045 Hazardous Vegetation

City Planner Eric Mongan presented the background information regarding the proposed amendment which would change the annual enforcement period from June 15th through November 1st to May 15th through November 1st each year. He explained that enforcement has been hampered the last two years by mowing and cutting prohibition due to fire danger levels set by South Lane Fire and Rescue and the proposed change would allow Staff additional time to bring properties into compliance before summer temperatures and dry days arrive.

Amy Merryday 205 Adams Ave., Cottage Grove Oregon said fire safety and fuel reduction is important and the limb pick up today was fantastic to watch. She said increasing the amount of time that you can be warned that your grass is too high is not because the City has a Climate Action Plan that has been developed by a Climate Advisory Committee. She said an advisory committee would be advising the city based on the amount of moisture in the grass and the decisions would be based on the best thing for the climate.

Councilor Fleck said most times in May it is raining like crazy and the grass is growing like crazy and that would hamper people's ability to keep the grass short. He said he understands that some years it is hot and fire danger would be early but is worried that people will be able to stay on top of it in May. He asked if a compromise of June 1st would be a way of mitigating by a couple of weeks.

Councilor Roberts said the Fire Marshal is present and asked if he has input on the matter.

Fire Marshal Danny Solesbee said there are some problems with people not mowing their grass in the time window and then the fire danger hits us unexpectedly. He said he thinks the City will use good judgement and not start fining people and that it is just a way to start enforcement earlier if we have to. He added that it is not really about the lawns but more so about the big back yards and empty lots.

Public Works and Development Director Faye Stewart said that this is about people with large pieces of property that do not mow their grass at all. He said there are several properties that do not mow and the City mows it every year. He added that we cannot start the process until June 15th and by the time the City goes through the legal process it can get dry too quickly before we have the approval to do the work and this is to try and protect the citizens.

Councilor Savage asked what the process is once someone receives a letter.

Public Works and Development Director said the preferred process is to place door hangers a couple weeks before the tall grass deadline and then on June 15th the first notice would go out.

City Planner Eric Mongan added that a second notice would go out and be posted ten days after the first notice which gives an additional seven days before the process would begin building affidavits and requests for warrants to the Judge. City Planner said the Judge is only present on Thursdays so sometimes the gaps will be larger and people are always given at least 10 days

after the first letter. He said Staff does take about a week to drive the City and there is also neighbor reporting that happens.

Councilor Savage asked if the letter could be modified to be kinder and also add a list of people who provide the service, similar to the one she receives for backflow testing.

Public Works and Development Director said providing a list for backflow testing is easier to do because you have to be a Certified Backflow Tester and we include a list of all testers that are certified and if we were to provide a list of people who do yard care we could inadvertently miss somebody it would look like favoritism.

Councilor Savage said we could put a request out for people who want to be on the list and have requirements on the list.

City Attorney Carrie Connelly said she would be advising Faye to not list individual businesses that would give the weight of the City behind private business and they could make a claim of discrimination and unfavorable treatment. She said Staff will work to accommodate a Council request to tone down the verbiage that is being used, although you do want to get people's attention and make sure they understand the penalties associated with doing nothing.

Mayor Gowing reminded Council that this item is not about the letter that goes out but about the timeline the Ordinance is enforced.

City Attorney addressed the concerns of Council and clarified that this section is about vegetation that constitutes a fire hazard.

Councilor Roberts said he approves the change and the earlier date gives people a chance to get to it before it gets out of hand and keep the fire danger down as soon as possible.

Youth Representative Emma asked how you measure combustibility of the grass.

City Attorney said it is limiting vegetation which constitutes a fire hazard and then it lists types of hazardous vegetation.

Youth Representative Emma said so it is the opinion of the Fire Marshal.

Councilor Fleck said the hillside at Community Sharing is a challenge to mow when it is wet and if it is clear in this meeting that the notice is triggered when it becomes a fire hazard then he is okay with that.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR FLECK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR ROBERTS TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 3158.

Mayor Gowing asked if there was any further discussion.

Councilor Ervin said he is unclear if future Staff and Councilors would know the intent and asked if something needed to be added to the language to make it clear.

City Attorney said the criteria that it constitutes a fire hazard in the opinion of the South Lane County and Fire Rescue District and it lists the items that limits the discretion of the official is not being changed.

Councilor Ervin said the decision of it being combustible is at the time of it being witnessed not expecting it to be combustible by July 1st, how does that help with the timeline.

City Attorney said a notice can be given to a property if it is known that they will not be cutting based on the increase timeline.

Councilor Ervin said he understands the problem but doesn't see how the criteria is that it is combustible at the time would help us unless we have a really dry May.

Public Works and Development Director said the proposal is to give the City the flexibility to address years where it is drier than normal and to be able to manage the dry grass without being shut down and in fire danger.

Councilor Ervin said he believes the proposal is more limiting than it needs to be and it could say discretionally we anticipate it to be a dry year even if in May there is good rainfall.

City Attorney said she advises against doing that and having anticipatory violations.

Councilor Roberts said all it takes is one property to take off with the right wind and we could have a lot of trouble and we should be more cautious.

Mayor Gowing asked if there was any further discussion, seeing none he called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Roberts	Councilor Stinnett	Councilor Savage	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Solesbee	Councilor Ervin	Mayor Gowing
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

Mayor Gowing announced that Ordinance 3158 passed.

BUSINESS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

(a) Budget Committee Appointments

Finance Director Roberta Likens stated that the Council appointed Budget Subcommittee had met and were prepared to make a recommendation.

Councilor Ervin thanked all of the applicants.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR ERVIN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR FLECK TO REAPPOINT AMANDA GILBERT AND APPOINT DANNY SOLESBEE TO THE BUDGET COMMITTEE FOR A THREE YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 2024.

Mayor Gowing asked if there was any discussion, seeing none he called the vote.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Roberts	Councilor Stinnett	Councilor Savage	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Solesbee	Councilor Ervin	Mayor Gowing
AYES	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NAYS							
ABSTAIN							

(b) Homelessness Discussion

City Manager Richard Meyers said this item has been brought back to Council for further discussion. He reminded Council that the Community Center site needs to be closed in June as the Roof Contractor will be needing the space for materials and equipment. He said the new pallet shelters have arrived and could be set up at the Hwy 99 site so that people would not have to be moved from the Warming Shelter site then again to the Hwy 99 site. He said not all of the improvements would be able to be completed at that time but in the meantime the shower trailer could be brought out periodically and as soon as a decision has been made, the City could start requesting RRP's for a contractor to run and manage the site.

Rob Dickinson 31755 Gowdyville Road, Cottage Grove, Oregon encouraged the City to move forward on the proposal for developing transitional housing for the homeless in Cottage Grove on the Hwy 99 site. He thanked the City for the Town Hall and cited a brief summary of the results of the voting results. He urged Council to support the humane, constructive, transitional housing for the homeless.

Dennis Tucker 31857 Emerson Lane, Cottage Grove, Oregon said he has had experience with trying to help people who are homeless and it has not worked out well. He said he has been to Montana and they put up a cook shack, facilities and a place for camping and they still had

people on the street just as bad as it was. He said you are not solving anything by putting a camp where the rest of the people have to put up with it and added that there are a lot of homeless people and there will probably be a lot more.

Kathleen Mattson 1740 Bryant Ave., Cottage Grove, Oregon said the ethical and moral thing to do is to not have amenities for the homeless, most homeless take advantage, and normal people are becoming homeless because of the free amenities. She said her concern about the Hwy 99 site is how close it is to the High School and Bohemia Elementary School. She said the more there is a facility that they can camp out, they will keep on coming, our taxes will go up, and more lawlessness will happen. She said her main concern is the kids and she hopes the City finds another site.

Dan Boustead 1350 Pleasant View Dr., Cottage Grove, Oregon acknowledged that there are various perspectives and plans on how the community should address the problem. He presented statistics regarding fatherless families and the effects on homelessness. He said he is advocating for a Community First model versus an infrastructure plan and said that it will attract those ready for integration and it will be a positive influence to others who are watching from the street.

Bill Christiansen 1337 Elm Ave., Cottage Grove, Oregon said any homeless plan involving the City of Cottage Grove needs to have structure, accountability, and personal responsibility on the part of the person in need. He said that the people of Cottage Grove want a plan that works but they do not embrace the plan that Richard Meyers is has set forth. He said he felt there is a push to push the plan through and that four Councilors voted to wait for a reason. He encouraged Councilors to make sure their motives to push this plan are the right one.

Dale Gangl 1386 Cottonwood Place, Cottage Grove, Oregon said the Town Hall was not a Town Hall, the citizens did not get to speak, and safety was not discussed. He said why would the City put people with that many mental health problems right next to a school and asked what is wrong with putting it at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. He added that Councilor Fleck needs to excuse himself from the vote since he makes a living off of the homeless and it is a conflict of interest. He said every question at the Town Hall was manipulated and Richard Meyers should resign over it.

Bernie Donner 204 Quincy Ave., Cottage Grove, Oregon said he was asked to speak about two hours ago and he thinks that homeless need to learn to live economically and have basic work opportunities. He said having individual rooms does not help them at all, they need to bunk-up, live four people in a room and learn to live economically and get a job.

Johanna Zee 1386 Cottonwood Place, Cottage Grove, Oregon said she enjoyed the last marathon Council meeting, it offered each Councilor the opportunity to speak about their thoughts and ideas and got the conversation going. She shared a personal story about seeing a man when she left a meeting, she said he was surrounded by drug paraphernalia and asked if we have become so desensitized that we just let someone live like that until they decide they want help. She said he needed help not because he didn't have a home but because he was in pain and needed detox, cleansing and inpatient services. She asked Councilor Fleck to recuse himself from any

decision making process because of the Conflict of Interest and said if Richard Meyers is unwilling to hear the people of this town he needs to step down.

Debbie Howell 36756 Shoreview Drive, Cottage Grove, Oregon said she thinks the Councilors are compassionate people searching for an answer to the problem. She said she does not want the Homeless Shelter on Hwy 99 S and it is a liability waiting to happen. She said this past weekend she talked to homeless people and none of them were willing to go to the Hwy 99 site and some said it is too far out of town. She said she discovered that homeless fall into three groups; some are down on their luck, some want to be left alone, and the rest are a large group that are mentally troubled. She asked who owns the old hospital and if we could petition the State of Oregon to open a mental health facility where they would be housed.

Venice Mason 28 S. 6th Street, Cottage Grove, Oregon asked for a show of hands of people who have been homeless in the community. Venice thanked Council and Richard Meyers, for their sense of urgency and specifically Councilor Fleck for the services that were received as a homeless member of the community. Venice asked people to stop referring to others as homeless folks, these people, mental, drug addicted, and trafficked women and said these are people of our community. Venice said the Hwy 99 site might not be ideal but it is immediate and we can revisit it later. Venice added that there is a level and order of priorities; women and children first, veterans, and then single adults.

Bonnie Sano 33739 Cea Jac, Cottage Grove, Oregon said she has experienced homelessness and has taken in several homeless individuals over the past 30-40 years. She said the City Manager's plan has intended and unintended consequences, inviting a bigger problem than Cottage Grove is starting out with. She said besides the homeless from other areas within the U.S. we will be having no border to the South with a total drop of Title 42 and may end up inviting many times the homeless population that we have now. She urged Council to postpone the decision, to consider the taxpayers of Cottage Grove and Lane County and put it to a vote.

Jan Ogsbury 1350 Merrill Lane, Cottage Grove, Oregon said she was not duped or manipulated at the Town Hall, is in support of the proposals that were voted for except for disallowing the repair of parked disabled vehicle, and asked Councilor Fleck to not preclude himself.

Steve Aman 585 Sweet Lane, Cottage Grove, Oregon said he has four boys 6 to 14 years of age, he has bought a home here, is the President of the South Lane Youth Football and feels a big responsibility to protect the children. He asked why a City would fund homeless shelters. He said mostly people using these shelters are under the influence of drugs and it creates opportunities for them to continue. He told Council to come up with a better plan and there are better ideas than to put them next to the High School and properties they had to earn. He asked Councilor Fleck how he would feel if the shelter was right across from his house.

Mayor Gowing said the shelter is across from his house and he does not have a problem with it.

Steve Aman said to the Mayor that he probably does not have four children ages 7 to 14.

Councilor Fleck called Point of Order and said that Council will receive the testimony but not conduct conversation.

Steve Aman said he is opposed to the City funding homeless and they are just creating opportunity for more people with drug problems and violence. He said he has compassion for people with problems, has housed people who were homeless and every time it did not end up working out. He added that this needs to be put in front of the majority of people in this town.

Mickey Pattengale Cottage Grove, Oregon said the Town Hall meeting was set up perfectly for Richard Meyers' agenda. He said participants were not able to talk, it was very controlled, and had trick questions. He said if there was not enough time to hear all the people then we need to have more meetings. He said they were brainwashed with the program and the money should have been used in a better way. He said he loves people, wants to give back to the children and that the Council should go home and reflect.

Councilor Fleck declared a Potential Conflict of Interest due to his employment with Community Sharing and that his agency theoretically could apply for the RFP to do the shelter, although they have no intention of doing so.

Councilor Solesbee informed the City Attorney that Councilor Fleck told her that he agrees with a lot of the things that Councilor Ervin and she have been saying but he could not say it publicly because he could lose his job, and asked the City Attorney if that was a conflict of interest.

City Attorney asked Councilor Fleck to speak to the comment.

Councilor Fleck said he denies having said that comment and is not sure where it comes from.

City Attorney said she does not know if that it is an Actual or a Potential Conflict of Interest for Government Ethics it may be considered a bias which actually doesn't play into a Legislative Decision. She reiterated that all the Councilors have a vested interest in the community, come from different perspectives and elected officials are supposed to share their perspectives, educate the rest of the Council and provide a broader, different spectrum of ideas. She added that she has not heard anything that causes a concern and she wants everyone to understand that we are going to have different thoughts based on our positions and our expertise within the City.

Councilor Fleck continued by saying that he works with the unhoused daily and has tried to be clear about his assessment about the risks and benefits of the plans. He said he does not want to see unmanaged camps in our town and Council seems to agree that we do want to see sleeping in the parking strips, trash in the right-of-way, and the negative aspects that we have seen in other communities. He said we are all passionate and he understands that people are worried about their wellbeing and Council is trying to find a solution that meets the needs of everyone in the community. He said this plan is the first step to getting people into affordable housing and it keeps people out of the emergency rooms, out of jails and has less impact on the officers and the least impact on our community. He apologized if he has been passionate and said it is something that he feels strongly about.

Mayor Gowing apologized to the audience and Mr. Aman. He said Council does not engage when people are speaking, he is human and the topic is passionate for everyone.

Youth Representative Emma said she is a Junior at Cottage Grove High School and this is her second meeting as part of the Youth Advisory Council. She acknowledged that everyone is human and very passionate about the subject and said that it is appalling to see the disrespect. She asked people to reflect on their personal behavior and said the meetings are structured for a reason. She started to address concerns regarding the proximity of the homeless shelter to the High School.

Members of the audience called out negative comments directed towards the Youth Representative and she stop speaking.

Mayor Gowing asked Youth Representative to continue and she declined.

Councilor Roberts said that he met with Carry It Forward and he likes a lot of what he saw and can see where it could probably work. He said he has a problem with a Low Barrier system and said even some of the homeless that he talked to said they will not go there. He said we need a program that will benefit the community, where we change lives and feels we are caging them like in a zoo. He said he wants to help people and wonders whatever happened to tough love. He asked why work is being done on Hwy 99 before we have a total agreement and said it seems backwards to not have the organizations come let us know how they are going to run the program. He said we need a bold program that is different from everybody else.

Mayor Gowing said when the City did the Safe Routes to School project we didn't go ask Wildish, Knife River, and Delta Sand and Gravel how they would do it and then put out an RFP. He said it is not doing it backwards it is doing it the same way, it is just that everyone is so emotional about the topic they don't see it that way.

Councilor Solesbee said she thinks differently and that we need to know how it is going to be managed. She said she does not want to recreate what is being done at other places and continue to throw money at it and she wants to hear a plan. She said she did not get a call from Councilor Fleck to meet with Carry It Forward and did not get a call from Richard like Chalice did and that is frustrating. She said she does not agree with Low Barrier and it will sabotage people wanting to get off the street that are addicted to drugs by putting them with people who are still using. She shared her recent experiences of speaking with the homeless and the responses to the questions that she and her husband asked them and said we need to get out in the community and find out what the individual problems are. She said she knows that even on City property they are all doing drugs in their tents and the leading cause of homelessness in our town is drugs. She added that this solution is not a good one, Councilors do not have enough to make a decision, she does not like lumping all of the decisions together and she cannot vote it through.

Youth Representative Emma said putting people together in a Low Barrier shelter could be a potential setback for those who are recently clean and it is a temporary fix.

Councilor Ervin said he has not changed his mind, it is not the right use of money and it does not have the moral component to be effective. He said it is important that Council move together on things they agree on, be patient and intentional, inspire the community and find practical things that they can do like helping them get a bank account.

Councilor Roberts said the program that he went through helped with things like getting a bank account, identifications, job training, and creating resumes. He said each person that came in, met with a counselor, were evaluated as to why they were homeless and were given a prescription for success. He said all services were under one roof and they did not have to go anywhere. He said he is against Low Barrier because we have to change their lives so that they can benefit the community through working jobs.

Councilor Solesbee said that the homeless couple told her that they cannot get Food Stamps because they do not have an address and they get food by picking up cans.

Councilor Ervin said the Hwy 99 site would have an address and asked if we could come up with a solution that anybody could access whether they are in the site or not.

Councilor Savage said she likes the idea of the Hwy 99 site but does not believe that it should be Low Barrier. She said she agrees that a blanket prescription would not meet everyone's needs. She said she feels the sense of urgency that we need to do something and she would rather get it right than back pedal. She said she wants more information and would like a Work Session.

Councilor Fleck said he does not think Council has thought through the negative side of doing nothing and unmanaged sites. He said it will impact the officers and create an accumulation of stuff and is not an answer. He said he agrees that drugs are a problem with a great number of the unhoused and that being around people who are not in recovery could be a challenge and we could have a sobriety requirement. He asked where the motivation would be for someone to come to the site if they are not ready for that step and added that you need an open door to get people in to start working with them. He said he supports the City Manager's proposal and is open to suggestions.

Councilor Solesbee asked what the motivation would be for them to leave if they can still use drugs and stay there. She said let's give them some hope and help for them if they are willing. She said that we should designate parks that we do not allow sleeping and set up a Dusk to Dawn so that there is no homesteading in any of our parks.

City Attorney Carrie Connelly said if you are not providing alternative shelter, the safest route is to not enforce no sleeping in any park and a Judge will look at the totality of circumstances to the extent that you are doing Dusk to Dawn in some of the parks, where else can people go and is that enough for the 188 unhoused.

Councilor Solesbee said there is not 188 on the street, there is couch surfing and you just have to drive around and find them.

City Attorney said that she does not have knowledge of the facts and she is not going to argue any facts. She said her job is to try and tell Council what the law says and what we know now.

Councilor Solesbee said if we got served with a law suit we could say we are working on it.

City Manager Richard Meyers said if you do a barrier approach you are not satisfying Martin v. Boise because you would be creating a shelter facility that would not be recognized as an alternative location. He said the Low Barrier facility that the City has been talking about is to get people in and start doing the training, which is why the house is important with the rooms for counseling and education. He said it will not work for everyone but if we are going to do anything to prevent people from camping in City Parks it needs to be a Low Barrier alternative shelter facility. He asked how would you enforce Dusk to Dawn in a park, when Dawn comes they will go to other parks and you couldn't say that you cannot sit, sleep, lie, stay warm and dry during the rest of the day, you would have to enforce that on everyone. He added that the City has been working on these little details over the last three years, like getting the Community Center approved by the DMV for people to use as their address so they can get identification, and those are all questions that Councilors should have been asking.

Councilor Roberts said if we pass a low barrier site and there are people who do not want to go, can they stay in the park where they are.

City Manager said they cannot if we have room in the shelter.

Youth Representative Emma asked if there was a Low Barrier shelter, could there be a separation from those that are trying to get help.

City Manager briefly explained the plan that was presented in January and said that the City would still be looking for opportunities to create the next step of Transitional Housing and restated the need for very low income and low income housing.

Councilor Solesbee asked if we have availability do they have to go to the shelter.

City Attorney said that if you do not have Low Barrier shelter available then you cannot make people leave the parks and having a Low Barrier available is a reasonable alternative shelter.

Councilor Solesbee asked where that is stated in Martin v. Boise.

City Attorney said it is Blake v Grants Pass where it outlines alternative forms of shelter.

Councilor Solesbee asked what it says exactly.

City Attorney said it doesn't include a church affiliated entity and she would consider a mandatory sobriety requirement be like that type of strict rule.

Councilor Solesbee said so you think that it says anything religious means drugs.

City Attorney said she is looking at it as a barrier.

Councilor Solesbee said she does not see it that way and she would like a second Attorney opinion.

City Attorney said it also pointed Federal BLM Land, Josephine County Land, or State Rest Stops which were available but the restrictions placed on those lands making a homeless individuals use of those lands infeasible.

Councilor Solesbee said that sounds very different to her than saying we have to do Low Barrier in order to fit that requirement and she would like a second opinion.

City Attorney said they also look at Warming Shelters and use the rationale that they do not have beds that are available consistently throughout the year and do not have enough capacity to house the homeless population.

Councilor Solesbee said she is still in favor of Dusk to Dawn and it does not say anything in that law about homesteading.

City Attorney asked Councilor Solesbee what she means.

Councilor Solesbee said camping, like making a home. She said this would be temporary until we could get something going, but she does not want our parks to be filled with tents and we could designate the parks that we do not want to allow it. She said we can't go into this without the information and she does not agree with the Low Barrier definition.

City Attorney said that it has been codified and when House Bill 3115 goes into effect all we have to go on, is reasonableness determined by the totality of the circumstances including the impact of the law on the person experiencing homelessness. She said the common understanding is that not allowing pets is a barrier.

Councilor Solesbee said she is referring to drugs and she has heard Richard say that Low Barrier also includes couples and that they can bring their dogs, but drugs is where she would draw the line.

City Attorney emphasized to the Councilors that they are the policy makers and they get to decide how you manage the City in light of very uncertain risks and rules.

Councilor Solesbee said she has to balance the risk to the people experiencing homelessness and not having them in the same position in 20 years compared to expecting our citizens to pay for them for 20 years.

City Attorney said that staff has presented Council with a program and the idea is for Council to craft something else if this doesn't work for them and she said she is not hearing a uniform will behind doing that.

Councilor Stinnett said the legal landscape has changed and we have to do something, we have to provide an alternative or we have little say about our Public Lands. He said if we do not provide a Low Barrier shelter then the Low Barrier shelter will be our parks and he doesn't think that anyone here wants people camping on sidewalks and in the planting strips in front of homes. He said he thought Councilors were going to decide on a site before deciding on the details of how it was going to be managed. He said he has concerns about the Hwy 99 site and people being that far from town and traveling the road on foot or bicycle. He said he likes the Warming Shelter site, there are no residential neighbors, it could be walled off for safety and privacy and it is a closer proximity to basic needs and law enforcement. He asked if there is work being done at the Hwy 99 site.

City Manager said there is work being done but not in preparation for the shelter.

Councilor Stinnett said he continues to hear people say that they do not want to be like Eugene and Portland and it seems that those cities do not have the capacity for their homeless to provide them shelter.

City Manager said yes, there are 4,100 unsheltered individuals in the County and there are only 1,900 shelter beds available and Eugene has 3,000 of the homeless population alone. He said we don't have the capacity and we need to get started with something or our parks are going to be filled with tents.

Youth Representative Emma said high school students are going to see homeless people unless they are completely sheltered from the world, and putting the shelter in the general proximity of the High School is not going to change that. She added that anybody could be homeless and not to think about people who are homeless as dangerous or terrible people.

Councilor Ervin said he does not agree that the City has to do this and we need to band together as a community outside of the municipality and address the issues as they come up. He said he is not convinced that we will be overrun with homeless and that we can put together solutions. He said that Low Barrier is not really helping the homeless population. He added that government is not good at doing stuff in the social realm and is good at Administration, Infrastructure and Public Safety. He said he does not trust government to meddle with social affairs and we need to trust the community to come around.

Mayor Gowing asked if Councilor Ervin is suggesting that we change our code to comply with the law and let the community figure out how to make homelessness go away.

Councilor Ervin said he would want Law Enforcement to handle the violations of the existing code like vandalism, garbage, trash and threatening. He said we should make calls to nonprofits and community groups to rise up and create structured programs with accountability with a vision in mind for reentering society.

Councilor Fleck said gathering the community to raise funds sounds wonderful but as someone who fundraises in town he does not see how our town of 10,000 population could manage that. He said we are going to end up with our Low Barrier shelter in the parks, we are already seeing it

and this is a glimpse of what an unmanaged future is going to be. He added that the laws have changed and we have limited options on what we can do. He said he supports the plan and commended Richard on the amount of work that has been put into it.

Councilor Solesbee compared the expense of a program like Councilor Roberts went through to the cost of paying for a person in a Low Barrier shelter who is not expected to get off drugs and stays for multiple years instead of moving through a program. She said people are at the Community Center and City Hall because we have allowed it, we can tell them to move on and we have created this problem in our town. She asked if there will be a sunset clause, if it will be for a limited time, and how long can people live in the homeless camp. She said a Work Session is needed.

Mayor Gowing asked if we could do a Work Session before the next meeting.

City Manager said yes, and he proceeded to address some of the Councilor's questions. He encouraged Councilor Ervin to look at the information from Carry It Forward and said everything that he described about having and setting up programs is what they have done. He said the City will not be running the facility and shelters, we do not know how. He said the City did not create this problem, these are people who were camping in the community, the City suggested locations so that they were not camping in the parks, and tried to have some management and control. He said if we move them from the Community Center they are free and willing to go anywhere in the parks. He told Council that everything Councilor Solesbee is mentioning would be worked on with the contractor; the time limit on the contract, time limits on people being at the shelter, the type of programs that would be established, and the type of classes, counseling, and education. He said the people with Carry It Forward, Square One and St. Vincent have the certifications and trainings in dealing with those issues and that can be figured out once we have the road map laid out in the proposal and start doing the RFP's. He said he has a list of things that we would be requiring in the contracts; no drugs on site, they can come in under the influence, but they cannot have it on site and no accumulation of property. He said these things are there to help get people out of the street mindset. He said some of the people will drop out and they will still have the opportunity to be in the parks and with some designation we can control which parks. He added that with a Dusk to Dawn operation we would be spending more money in keeping the parks clean and managing the people moving them around.

Councilor Stinnett said we are the stewards and management of our Public Lands and the law is clear in that we have to provide an alternative or our Public Lands will be open to camping.

Councilor Savage said she appreciates the solutions that the audience has been providing. She addressed the City Manager in saying that the Councilors are here and they are asking questions because they do not understand.

City Manager said the County is getting ready to start providing a County Mental Health facility and they are putting around 10 to 15 million dollars of their ARPA funds into the development. He added that it is a part of the puzzle and where the City will see a big benefit. He said this is

not a Cottage Grove issue and we are trying to collaborate with the County and other communities in the County.

Councilor Solesbee said she feels that we need a Work Session and asked what \$200,000 a year get us.

City Manager said you are not approving \$200,000 and that amount is an estimate for the contract services to run a 24 hours, 7 day a week facility that is staffed with 3 to 4 full time professionals that can address the crises that occur.

Councilor Solesbee said she wants to see a breakdown.

City Manager said you will not see a breakdown until you do the RFP, first you set the plan up and then you go out for RFP's, then you can see the breakdown. He said this motion is to let us start soliciting proposals.

Councilor Fleck said that he applies for RFP's every 3 to 4 years and explained the process to Council.

Councilor Solesbee said she understands the process but we are starting something brand new, and if she was going to a bank to start her business she would need to have a business plan.

Public Works and Development Director explained that if you go to a bank to get a loan to start your business you would probably have a location where you are starting your business so that you can put some parameters around the business. He said what is being asked of Council, if they want to support a Low Barrier entry place to house people, is to decide a location. He said there have been two suggestions, the current Warming Shelter site and Hwy 99. He said if the Council would say they want to move forward with one of the two sites or another site that they propose, that allows the City Manager to put together an RFP and the RFP would be different based on the location. He added that you cannot build something without a location because there are different requirements for each site.

Councilor Solesbee said even if she has a location in mind she would still need a business plan.

City Manager said that is what is being mapped out with the proposal and the specifics are not a part of the business plan, they are the details and the RFP would be coming back to Council.

Councilor Roberts said if Council approves the Hwy 99 site and the City spends time and money on it, what happens if Council cannot agree on the RFP. He asked if we could have two sites, a Low Barrier like North Regional Park and then use the Hwy 99 site for a better program.

City Manager said yes, you could but then you would probably be tripling your costs because there is nothing in North Regional Park to create a managed site.

Councilor Savage said you have a quote for \$175 to \$200 thousand, and asked what kind of a quote it was.

City Manager said it was an informal bid from Carry It Forward based on the basic program they are running for the City of Springfield for 25 people and they increased the estimate to include up to 40 people.

Councilor Savage asked how many people Springfield is helping.

City Manager said their initial contract was for 25 people.

Councilor Savage asked what the statistics of Springfield are.

City Manager said based on the Homeless By Name list they are around 400.

Councilor Roberts asked if we could hear from the people of Springfield about what they are doing if we cannot hear from the RFP until we are ready to negotiate. He said the people that he is talking to want to know how we are going to run it and he said if you want a yes vote from him he wants to be able to answer those questions.

City Manager said that is how Springfield is running it with Carry It Forward and it could be a different contractor.

Mayor Gowing said you will not know that until you get the RFP.

Councilor Fleck said all of the shelters are going to run basically the same.

Councilor Roberts asked how we educate our taxpayers as to how the camps are run.

Councilor Fleck encouraged a Work Session for the providers to come and give comments on what they do.

Councilor Solesbee said she is trying to ask the questions and that she is not getting the answers that she needs and she needs more information.

Councilor Stinnett said we need to decide where, before we decide how. He said of course we would need a lot more information. He said he does not think the Councilors agree that we need to build a Low Barrier shelter and that is the sticking point, not how it is going to run. He said if we don't agree on that, we will spend all night getting nowhere and asked can we decide if there is a majority that does not want to build a shelter.

Councilor Solesbee said she wants to know statistics on Low Barrier versus High Barrier with success rates, how long people are homeless and how many people we help.

City Manager said you are going to have a hard time comparing statistics from a Low Barrier and a High Barrier as they serve two different purposes for those types of facilities. He said if we are going to have contractors come talk to Council we need basic information for them to know what they are going to talk to you about.

Councilor Savage asked if you could hold the Hwy 99 site contingent on choosing the RFP.

City Manager said you could, however improving and developing the site could take up to twelve weeks and the question would be, where and what do we do in the meantime.

City Attorney said if you issue an RFP it does not mean that you have to award a contract, you can cancel it and return all of the proposals.

Youth Representative Emma asked if putting money into the site would raise the property value.

City Manager said some of the improvements would not carryover to somebody wanting to buy the site.

Councilor Ervin asked what the number of Low Barrier shelters needed to satisfy the current interpretation of being able to move people out of parks.

City Attorney said there is not a set number.

Councilor Ervin said, so it could be one.

City Attorney said yes.

City Manager said we already know that one would not be enough.

City Attorney asked when you say one, do you mean one site that would take multiple individuals.

Councilor Ervin said he is trying to work backwards from not being able to move people out of the parks.

City Manager said in order to prevent people from being in the parks we know right now we are close to 20 and approaching 30 that we would have in sites.

Councilor Ervin said we already have Low Barrier shelters available for people and we still can't get people out of the parks.

City Manager said we have no Low Barrier shelters other than their own tents and of those people in tents right now, if we were going to move them into an alternative shelter, a Low Barrier facility we would need at least twenty.

Councilor Ervin asked if we create a Low Barrier shelter and it fills up or people get kicked out and then they go to the parks, what we have gained.

City Manager said you will have 33 campers that are not in the parks and we have to do something so that we have space to move them.

Councilor Ervin said why is it always “we”.

City Manager said because that is what the law says.

Councilor Ervin said the law doesn’t really say that.

City Manager said it is now the Community’s responsibility that if you are going to tell people that they cannot be in your parks, using your public spaces, you have to provide alternative shelter.

Councilor Ervin asked does the municipality have to pay for it.

City Manager replied yes.

City Attorney said if you want to move people out of the park. She said she wants to be clear that you do not have to do anything, and added that these are policy choices that are being made in order be able to manage.

Councilor Ervin said that is an important piece that maybe he missed.

Mayor Gowing said we have to change our code at a minimum and if all we do is change our code then people can camp where they want in public spaces.

Councilor Ervin said he understands that point and asked if that means that you cannot enforce any of the other regulations surrounding that like littering and drug use.

City Manager said you can still enforce the other regulations but when House Bill 3115 goes into effect the enforcement of those will be tied to the totality of impact on the homeless. He said if we are going to start enforcing littering or smoking in the parks it has to be enforced on every individual not just the homeless.

Councilor Ervin said he is not advocating that we don’t enforce the laws on everybody.

City Manager said then we would be enforcing those just like we would for anyone else.

Councilor Ervin asked if we are doing that now.

City Manager said we are supposed to be, we have been citing people and trespassing them off sites for violation of those rules.

Councilor Ervin asked about the bathroom situation in the parks and if we are fining people. City Manager said you have to catch them in order to enforce it.

City Manager said by having a managed site at the Community Center we have been able to catch people and hold them accountable for their crimes and we would not have been able to do so if they were not there.

Councilor Fleck said 33 shelters is not enough for everybody but it is a great start. He said there is not any one answer that will solve the problem, it will take a lot of little answers to help the big picture. He said have a Work Session and asked if we could get something scheduled in the next couple weeks or less.

Mayor Gowing asked if we would need a weekday or weekend.

City Manager said it depends on what you want in the Work Session.

Councilor Fleck asked the other Councilors if they want a shelter or not, otherwise the Work Session is a waste of time.

Councilor Stinnett said that is exactly what he was about to say.

Councilor Ervin said he does not think that the City should be building housing.

Mayor Gowing asked of Councilor Ervin if he thinks that we should only change the code.

Councilor Ervin said yes.

Councilor Solesbee said she would support that too.

Mayor Gowing ask Council what they wanted to do.

Councilor Fleck said it is time to get off the soap box and we need to put our cards on the table.

Councilor Stinnett said our parks are not made for camping and he does not want to see that and if we have to build shelters to make it happen then he would do that. He said go out to any campsite that hasn't been cleaned up, it is terrible, and asked if they want that in the middle of town and invite people to a town that has that.

Councilor Solesbee said she would like to be sold on a shelter and wants to hear all that it entails. She said she wants to see how the money is being spent and the parameters. She added that she does not like the thought of building a shelter and still having people camp in our parks and that it is very likely to happen.

Mayor Gowing said the only way to change that is to change the legislation.

City Attorney said the proposal is a multi-tier approach that is not just the City providing alternative shelter, it is also tailoring the parking regulations and prioritizing the public spaces and parks. She said it is the totality of circumstances that is trying to be built.

Youth Representative Emma said she thinks the shelter is a solution for the legal aspects and a short term solution for the overall issue, something needs to happen soon, and a Work Session is needed.

Councilor Fleck said he would support reaching out to providers and putting something together quickly for the Councilors to hear.

Councilor Ervin said he is concerned about what a barrier is considered. He said when he listened to the Boise case everything that he thought was reasonable was considered a barrier and he doesn't think we are going to get anywhere that we want to be and that is why he is so adamant against it. He said the interpretation has gone too far and it does not care about people.

City Attorney explained the statues that attempt to set up a framework for Transitional Housing and what constitutes reasonable alternative shelter.

Councilor Ervin asked if what she was describing is low barrier.

City Attorney said yes, it is low barrier. She said one statutory provision deals with opening up parking lots for vehicles, providing sanitation facilities and the ability to set some minimum standards and the other is Transitional Housing accommodations.

Councilor Ervin asked how we arrived at the shelter solution that seems like it is above the minimum.

City Attorney said the statue includes all different types of housing including yurts, tents, huts, cabins, and similar accommodations.

Mayor Gowing said Sutherlin has done that with tents.

City Manager said over the course of the last three years the Stake Holders discussed the various options and when we received the pallet shelters from Lane County it prompted them to look that direction for sheltering.

Councilor Stinnett asked what the cost comparison would be to put a trailer on the Warming Shelter site compared to the improvements needed at the Hwy 99 site.

City Manager said it would be more expensive because you would have to secure a trailer. He said we could move the Shower Trailer over for restrooms and showers but we would need to find something for the administrative functions.

Councilor Stinnett asked what the basic need for administration would be.

City Manager said the need is to have the opportunity for a counseling and training site.

Mayor Gowing asked if a Work Session is needed.

City Manager asked if it would do any good.

Mayor Gowing said if we do a Work Session at the next meeting he wants a decision to be made one way or the other.

Councilor Stinnett asked if there are four Councilors in support of a Low Barrier shelter.

Councilor Fleck repeated the question because he did not think everyone heard it.

Mayor Gowing said if there are four people that are willing to look at a Low Barrier then a Work Session would be beneficial.

Councilor Roberts asked if we could table this until we have a Work Session.

Mayor Gowing said we are not tabling it.

Councilor Ervin asked if there was support for a minimal cost to the City, Low Barrier Transitional Housing approach.

Councilor Savage said that is the same thing.

Councilor Ervin said what is being proposed is putting in infrastructure and staffing it full time.

City Manager said you could have a location to send people to for sheltering, do absolutely no improvements on the site, no maintenance or management and you will end up with a Washington Park problem and spending hundreds of thousands of dollars cleaning it up.

Councilor Ervin said it is not required to have 24/7.

City Manager said you cannot catch anybody unless you see them do it.

Councilor Ervin said that is how people get caught.

City Manager said you have to be there to see them do it.

Mayor Gowing said moving forward with just policy changes is going to allow them do what they want until they get caught, which will have our Police being full time homeless camp police.

Councilor Ervin said people keep saying stop talking about them that way they are not different, but then we say we are afraid they are going to trash everything.

City Attorney said if you have a high concentration of low functioning individuals you can expect issues are going to arise. She said if you have high concentration of any of us, like at a concert you have to have maintenance and sanitation. She said one of the liability issues that is being raised is that some places want to open up a parking lot and only provide sanitation and a toilet but not anything else, and the argument that is being raised by CIS the insurer is that when damage of injury happens the City could be liable.

Councilor Ervin asked why not the people doing the damage.

City Attorney said they were directed to the location in order to protect the public spaces. She said these are all things that you can do and are allowed by law, but there is a risk management side of it.

Councilor Stinnett said he does not want to spend time in a Work Session and come back here and do this again and that is what is about to happen.

Councilor Solesbee said it was explained to her last time that we cannot funnel people into a couple different parks but we could state which parks that we did not want people to camp in. She asked what is meant by the City being held liable, she said she was told last time that it is funneling them if we just say the parks that they cannot camp in.

City Attorney said this is not an unmanaged alternative shelter, it is setting up transitional housing in a parking lot that we are funneling people to, which is why she advocates for it. She said if you are going to protect certain parks, you prioritize which one you want to protect.

Councilor Fleck said there are four people on the Council who have made it very clear where they are at and there are three that have not and it is time to start taking a position. He said the waffling is not working and we need to decide if we are going forward or not.

IT WAS MOVED BY COUNCILOR FLECK THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE A PLAN TO HELP ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS IN COTTAGE GROVE BY AUTHORIZING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY'S PROPERTY AT 2205 HWY 99 AS A LOW BARRIER SHELTER LOCATION TO ASSIST IN ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS IN THE COMMUNITY WHICH WILL INCLUDE THE REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE PROPERTY TO THE STREET SDC FUND; SOLICITING PROPOSALS FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND OPERATION OF THE LOW BARRIER SHELTER; SUPPORTING THE CONTINUED TEMPORARY LOCATION OF THE 8 CAMPSITES AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER AND THE 5 CAMP SITES AT CITY HALL UNTIL THE COMPLETION OF BASIC IMPROVEMENT AT THE LOW BARRIER SITE IN EARLY JUNE; AND WORKING WITH HOMES FOR GOOD TO PURSUE THE DEVELOPMENT OF LOW INCOME HOUSING AT THE CITY'S PROPERTY AT 443 NORTH DOUGLAS.

Councilor Stinnett said he cannot support the motion in its entirety and would support a motion to develop the Hwy 99 site.

Councilor Fleck said that he would accept that as a friendly amendment.

Mayor Gowing stated that there is a motion with a second and called for any further discussion.

Councilor Stinnett said that he did not second the motion and asked if a friendly amendment means that he will second the motion if you change the motion.

City Attorney clarified that Councilor Fleck has amended his motion to match what Councilor Stinnett is saying that he would support, and asked if he wants to second it.

THE ORIGINAL MOTION WAS AMENDED WITH A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT BY COUNCILOR FLECK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILOR STINNETT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SHELTER AT THE HWY 99 SITE.

Mayor Gowing stated there is a motion with a second and called for further discussion.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

VOTE	Councilor Roberts	Councilor Stinnett	Councilor Savage	Councilor Fleck	Councilor Solesbee	Councilor Ervin	Mayor Gowing
AYES		X	X	X			X
NAYS	X				X	X	
ABSTAIN							

City Manager said that City staff will start working on the Hwy 99 site and preparing an RFP that will be brought back to Council on May 9th. He said Council could talk more about the RFP process and managing the site.

Councilor Roberts said he would listen to that.

Councilor Savage asked the City Manager to repeat the last comment.

City Manager said with the motion that passed Staff will start developing the Hwy 99 site and putting in the infrastructure and at the May 9th Council meeting Staff will present a draft RFP with the points that have been brought up.

City Attorney said she wants to make sure that Council understands that when you are reviewing a draft RFP you can modify the scope of work, the evaluation process, and everything is on the table to provide staff with feedback.

(c) Concerns from Council

Councilor Ervin said he would like to have information from the City regarding the tracking of housing needs. He said he also wants to continue the discussion about the Skate Park and believes that it is still important to the community and he would like to have a well-lit, covered, bathroom accessible, redesigned Skate Park. He added that the Lane County Work Force Board has changed the interim Executive Director position to an Annual Contract position with evaluations.

Councilor Roberts said he agrees that we should not forget the Skate Park and recalled the study that was presented to Council. He mentioned the Annual Clean-up at the McFarland Cemetery Saturday at 10:00 am and the Downtown Clean-up and flower planting on May 7th. He thanked Jon Stinnett and Downtown Cottage Grove for their donation for the upcoming Goose mural.

Youth Representative Emma thanked the Councilors for their interest in the Skate Park and said she knows the importance that it has to a lot of youth and suggested involving the youth for their opinions

Councilor Solesbee announced that today is her birthday and that she will be running for Mayor.

Public Works and Development Director Faye Stewart addressed Councilor Ervin by saying that Staff is in the process of creating the Affordable Housing Implementation Plan and that it will be addressing information regarding the different housing needs, including MUPTE. He said that the first Committee Meeting will be in June and he believes Councilor Ervin is on that Committee. He encouraged Councilor Ervin to revisit the information that was presented in the Skate Park study. He said that he is trying to fix some of the smaller things and he believes that there were several recommendations in the Study, one of which was to have a working committee that could be made of Councilors, members of the community, and a youth advisory member. He said the bathrooms at Coiner Park have had severe damage due to vandalism, and added that the new doors have arrived and we are coordinating with a locksmith to install the doors and put in a timed locking system.

Councilor Ervin asked if there is something that he needs to do regarding having working committee.

Public Works and Development Director Faye Stewart said he would meet with him to discuss it.

Mayor Gowing wished Councilor Solesbee a Happy Birthday.

BUSINESS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

- (a) Report from City Manager

There was nothing to report at this time.

BUSINESS FROM CITY ATTORNEY

- (a) Report from City Attorney

There was nothing to report at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Gowing adjourned the regular meeting of the City Council at 11:18 pm.

The next regular City Council Meeting will be held May 9, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Mindy Roberts, City Recorder

Jeffrey D. Gowing, Mayor