



**MINUTES
FAIRVIEW CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
FAIRVIEW CITY HALL
1300 NE VILLAGE STREET
FAIRVIEW, OREGON 97024**

July 20, 2005 – 7:00 p.m.

- I. CALL TO ORDER/
ROLL CALL** Mayor Weatherby called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- PRESENT:** Mayor Mike Weatherby
Councilor Darrell Cornelius
Councilor Barbara Jones
Councilor Steve Owen
Councilor James Raze
Councilor Ken Quinby
Councilor Jim Trees
- STAFF PRESENT:** Jan Wellman, City Administrator
Paul Elsner, City Attorney
Ken Johnson, Chief of Police
Bob Cochran, Public Works Director
Laura Zentner, Finance Director
Tamara DeRidder, Community
Development Director
Connie Hansen, City of Fairview Secretary
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Mayor Weatherby led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- III. SWEAR IN NEW POLICE
OFFICERS** Mayor Weatherby called for Chief Johnson to come forward.
- Chief Johnson and Officer O'Donnell came forward and sang the National Anthem.
- Chief Johnson introduced the two officers being sworn in tonight: Officers Pooja Singh and Neel O'Donnell.
- Chief Johnson performed the swearing in ceremony and asked that the families of the new officers come forward. Chief Johnson stated that it is important that the families be present and involved in the process. He asked the family members to pin the badges on the new officers.
- Chief Johnson thanked the families and gave the officers a statement about the importance of the duties they were assuming as police officers. He then presented the new officers to the City Council members and the citizens in the audience.
- IV. CANCER SOCIETY
PROCLAMATION** Mayor Weatherby read the proclamation for the Cancer Society Relay for Life and stated that the City Council supports the research and

advocacy that the Cancer Society promotes through this event. Signs have been placed at the City entrances to show this support.

V. BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOGNITION

Mayor Weatherby stated that the City of Fairview recognizes Lisa Barton Mullins for her hard work and dedication to the citizens of the City as part of the Budget Committee. Ms. Barton Mullins received a certificate of appreciation. Mayor Weatherby also thanked the other citizen members of the Budget Committee and stated that their certificates of appreciation will be delivered to them.

Mayor Weatherby also recognized the entire staff of the City of Fairview during the recent issue with the water. The staff responded and mobilized to get the information out to all of the citizens, answered hundreds of phone calls, and worked long hours to resolve this problem. The Public Works Director Bob Cochran came in to work even though he was on vacation. Steve Richards and Derrick Yates did a tremendous job flushing the lines and assuring the additional tests were completed. The City Council expressed their appreciation for the work by the entire staff.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA
A. Minutes – June 15, 2005
B. Townsend LID Liens
C. Surplus Property
D. Homeland Security Grant
E. EMEA Agreement

Mayor Weatherby called for any discussion on the Consent Agenda, as there was none, he called for a motion to approve the consent agenda items.

Councilor Owen moved and Councilor Raze seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

APPROVED: 7
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

The Consent Agenda was approved by the Council.

VII. METRO PRESENTATION
Nature in Neighborhoods: Jack Hoffman
Open Spaces: Rod Park

Mayor Weatherby called for the presentation from the Metro representatives.

Jack Hoffman stated that he is on the Lake Oswego City Council and is the chair of Metro's Nature in Neighborhoods/Open Spaces Policy Advisory Committee, which has representatives from the 25 cities and three counties in the region. Everyone has an important part to play in maintaining a healthy and abundant natural environment. The streams, wetlands, and floodplains that support clean water, fish, birds and other wildlife cross over city and county boundaries. The regional impacts and how to implement this program has been a long-term process. Metro and the Advisory Committee members are addressing city councils and planning commissions in the region to provide information and answer questions on how this program will be implemented.

Mr. Hoffman stated that he is here to talk about the official wildlife plan. The decision was made in November 2004 to move from a more regulatory approach to one that is more incentive based to help in obtaining voluntary cooperation with the plan. The emphasis on incentives includes an educational component to help increase voluntary compliance with the existing protections. In the late 1990's Metro sent scientists and habitat experts out to map the region to determine where the stream corridors, significant tree cover, and wildlife corridors were that needed protection. Note: A map was

displayed showing the results of that inventory. There is a significant amount of important wildlife and fish habitat in the region and each area is part of the whole. With the move to the incentive based approach a proposed ordinance will be presented at a public hearing at the Metro Council meeting on September 22, 2005 at 2:30 p.m.

In August letters will go out to those property owners who have been identified as having sensitive lands. In Fairview those properties include the Blue Lake, Interlachen, Fairview Lake, and Fairview Creek areas. Metro will send out notices to all of the property owners and the Mayor. Samples of the notice will be provided to Mayor Weatherby prior to the mailing. The basic concept is to help facilitate choices that are beneficial to the environment such as mitigation, avoiding stream or habitat corridors for development, smaller footprints of development, etc. Metro has a model ordinance and maps that can be used by local jurisdictions for adoption, or the jurisdictions can develop their own. Additionally, district plans can be developed to coordinate efforts for a more cohesive approach to protection of the corridors.

Paul Ketchum, Regional Planner for Metro displayed a map showing the properties that are covered under existing local codes and some areas that are not covered. Regionally about 57% of the identified habitat conservation areas are covered by some ordinances or codes.

Mr. Hoffman and Mr. Ketchum noted this is a multi-pronged program with strong components for education and acquisition. This plan is not saying that development should be prohibited, but to have more habitat friendly development with flexible lot lines, setbacks, density incentives, land transfers, mitigation, pervious surfaces, green streets and other friendly methods. Metro is welcoming a partnership to foster those practices and has some limited staff resources to assist the smaller jurisdictions. Metro's website has maps and data for easy reference for private citizens to access information. The user types in the cross streets and/or address to look up the property to find out if it is in a sensitive zone.

Mr. Ketchum stated that this has been a long-term process over the past few years with public mailings, the inventory, economic and energy factored in. This program meets the state law requirements and all the mailings have consistent materials.

Mayor Weatherby asked if Metro had reviewed Fairview's ordinances and codes to see how those measure up to the requirements. Mr. Ketchum stated that they have not yet reviewed Fairview's codes, but that they will be analyzing and meeting with staff in the region to help determine what has been done and where gaps might be.

Mayor Weatherby asked if Metro made decisions on the sensitive areas based on the aerial maps. Ketchum stated that the aerials were part of the data reviewed, along with local informational documents, flood plain information through FEMA, and extensive research through field studies for determining the areas in need of protection. A revision process is in place and citizens can provide input or documentation that they feel is pertinent to the data collection.

Councilor Quinby asked when Metro would complete the review of the City's pertinent codes and ordinances. Ketchum stated that would be done in the next month. Councilor Quinby asked who would pay staff for this review and any changes that are recommended. Additionally,

Councilor Quinby stated that the City needs to break even on the processing of permits, and if the program requires more staff time on the local level how would that extra time be paid for. Mr. Hoffman stated that this is an issue and one that has already been raised. Ketchum stated that Metro staff would assist in this process, but how much time and resources would be available is not known at this point, but that there would probably be some Metro staff assistance especially in the smaller jurisdictions. In 2002 there was a preliminary review of plans in the region for the degree of protection that was in place, now comparison of the current protections is being done.

Councilor Quinby also asked how this would impact possible Measure 37 claims. Mr. Hoffman stated that is one of the reasons to go toward a more incentive based approach. There is a provision that Metro would handle claims arising out of this program. There is a mechanism in this program to come up with an IGA with the local jurisdiction for Metro to be responsible for those specific claims.

Councilor Quinby noted that this program will take two years to implement and asked how those claims are to be processed during that time. Mr. Hoffman stated that the measures would not be in place until adoption and if a Measure 37 claim were filed a claim would have to be filed for the process to begin. Once Fairview adopts the appropriate code/ordinances then Metro will accept those claims from Fairview for the claims arising out of the adoption of the program.

Rod Park and David Braggdon with Metro addressed the Council on the Open Spaces program. Mr. Park stated that Goal 5 is a State goal and everyone is required to have regulations reflecting the goals and requirements of the program. The listing of the species that are being protected under Goal 5 can be found on Metro's website. Mr. Park stated that the Fairview Village development is a good example of restoration for streams, stream protection and flexibility in site plans. Metro had a bond measure that allowed them to purchase over 8,100 acres through the course of several years. Fairview benefited from this through local match and Metro funds to purchase the Salish Ponds Wetlands Park. Metro has also purchased property next to Blue Lake Park, another parcel west of Chinook Landing, into Troutdale and Wood Village to provide more connectivity of corridors. This has been very successful. Events are planned around this program's 10-year anniversary to highlight some of the lands that have been purchased.

Mr. Braggdon stated that program was successful and another round of funding of grants for parks, stream restoration and other similar projects will soon be available again. This is an important matching grant program to help the local jurisdictions meet Goal 5 requirements. Non-profits, cities, and partnering opportunities for such organizations as SOLV will be eligible for the funds this fall.

Councilor Quinby stated that he approves of the new approach for incentive based compliance with the educational component to help that process. This is much better than a heavy handed regulatory approach. Everyone knows voluntary compliance is the best mechanism to achieve compliance from more people. Mr. Braggdon stated that Fairview has done a commendable job in using that cooperative approach to compliance. This works better for everyone and brings a better sense of community when people work on something together. Mr. Park noted that regulations have a place and cited the water and food industry regulations. However, regulations do

not assure compliance, but can help to provide guidelines in doing “the right thing.” Voluntary, cooperative efforts that are goal oriented can be very successful.

Mr. Park stated that there is a resolution before the Metro Council for \$1million in funding for local jurisdictions to help with projects and encouraged Fairview to take advantage of that funding. Restoration projects, illegal dumpsite cleanup, land purchases and other needs that fall under Goal 5 can be addressed with this funding.

Councilor Raze stated that sometimes the dump fees are too expensive for some residents and that can lead to illegal dumpsites. Mr. Park stated that there is a voucher program for hardship cases. He did note that about 80% of the illegal dumpsites have actually been found to be non-franchised haulers, not necessarily people who can’t afford the fees. Those non-franchised haulers want to make higher profits, so try to do so by dumping illegally. Connie Hansen, City of Fairview secretary and Recycling/Solid Waste Coordinator stated that she has been successful in obtaining the vouchers in the past and this has been very easy to access through Metro.

Mayor Weatherby called for any other questions, as there were none the meeting proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

- VIII. COUNCIL BUSINESS
 - A. AWARD OF PHONE SYSTEM BID (WELLMAN)
 - B. BUILDING INSPECTION CONTRACT (WELLMAN)
 - C. FIRE SERVICES RECOMMENDATION (WELLMAN)

Mayor Weatherby called for the staff report on the three agenda items.

A. Award of Phone System Bid:

Administrator Wellman stated that the current phone system is over 13 years old. The system is antiquated by today’s communication systems standards. Tammy Shannon, IT Tech, Michael Petersen, IT Consultant, and Linda Wood, Public Works Dept. researched the needs and systems to determine what system would meet the needs for an appropriate price. The low bid came in at \$35,295.83 with the high bid being \$39,543.65. A copy of the RFP and the low bid from Matrix Networks was provided in the Council packets. The phone system would be purchased with a training component to maximize the use by all departments. The cost savings for line and long distance charges would help offset the hardware and programming costs. This system can also track individual use per phone for long distance and personal calls.

Administrator Wellman stated that he recommends that the Council approve the low bid from Matrix Networks.

Councilor Owen called for any questions, as there were none he called for a vote to approve awarding the contract to Matrix Networks.

Councilor Raze moved and Councilor Quinby seconded the motion to award the contract for a new phone system to Matrix Networks.

AYES: 7
NOS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

The motion to approve the awarding of the phone system contract passed.

B. Building Inspection Contract:

Administrator Wellman stated that the agreement between Troutdale and Fairview for building inspection services has some changes, but is essentially 90% the same as the previous one. The biggest change is the amount of fees that Fairview will pay for services. The last agreement was a straight 80/20% split of fees collected. The new agreement contains a threshold amount, which is \$200,000 for which we pay 75%, after that we would pay 65% and retain 35% of the fees. Another change is it would be for a five-year term with a 180-day cancellation provision. Previously the cancellation provision was 90 days.

The City of Fairview would also be required to adopt the Troutdale fee schedule once they have adopted a new one. The fees are based on the IBC or the UBC or on Specialty Codes fee structure. Fairview would have 45 days to adopt the new fee schedule. Troutdale is currently undergoing a fee increase request with the State of Oregon.

Councilor Raze asked if the 8% paid to the State is considered in that percentage. Wellman stated that these are the monies paid to the State and this amount is separate.

Councilor Cornelius asked if the City Attorney had reviewed the contract. Wellman stated that they had reviewed the contract. Councilor Cornelius stated that during the last discussion of the contract the Council thought that 65% would be fair from the first dollar and that it appears with the proposed contract the city would be paying about \$20,000 more than was thought to be fair. It seems that this is too much and that Fairview is funding the Troutdale Building Department in excess of what should be occurring.

Wellman stated that over the past 10 years the program averaged about \$300,000, but that most of the development has been completed. The residential side of the program is almost completed except for in-fill and remodels or redevelopment at some point. Councilor Cornelius stated that he would like to see information on the cost of an hourly building inspection program to compare. Councilor Cornelius stated he has a concern about Fairview's fees being tied to Troutdale's fee structure. Asked why that is part of the agreement and why we could not charge more if we chose or less. Administrator Wellman stated that there is a state maximum that is allowed so no jurisdiction could go over those established amounts. Troutdale has determined that some of their fees are too low for support of the program costs and they are trying to prevent our fees from being too low as well. There is nothing to prevent us from having higher fees, but just not lower ones with the proposed contract. Councilor Cornelius stated he is making a motion to include the option to charge higher fees if the Council determines that would be beneficial to the City. Additionally, if the City so chose to be able to compare prices with other jurisdictions to determine if the fee structure is appropriate. Administrator Wellman stated that would not be a problem with this contract.

City Attorney Elsner stated that it is clear from the conversation that a few changes should be made and then brought back to the Council for approval. Councilor Cornelius stated that he would move to approve the contract based on those changes being made.

Councilor Trees asked that since Troutdale does the inspections and keeps records on those inspections, if we chose not to increase our fees could Troutdale then charge us for additional monies. Administrator Wellman stated that we collect the fees, then tabulate them on a

monthly basis, prepare a report on where the funds go (i.e. the 8% state surcharge and the 75% to Troutdale for the inspection fees), and then disperse the funds to the appropriate agencies. Councilor Trees asked if there is a consideration for a re-inspection program. Wellman stated there is a fee schedule for that as well.

Councilor Owen asked if the agreement is not approved what position does that put the City in for inspections. Administrator Wellman stated that the old agreement in which Fairview pays 80% to Troutdale is an open ended one and would continue to apply. Councilor Owen asked if Troutdale is ready to sign the agreement and Administrator Wellman stated that Troutdale has already signed the IGA.

Councilor Owen asked Councilor Cornelius if his questions had been answered and if he would agree with the proposed contract with the changes suggested. Cornelius agreed he would approve it, even though he still feels that the 65% would be fair, however, the response from Troutdale for 75% is a compromise.

Councilor Raze stated that he does not want to charge more than Troutdale, and that he thinks Troutdale will eventually go to the maximum amount allowed so Fairview would not be able to charge any more.

Councilor Quinby stated that he recalls reviewing the fees a couple of years or so ago and that he thought they were too high and that it would hurt Fairview's development. It would be best to keep a competitive edge with lower fees as an incentive for developers.

Councilor Owen asked what the comparison of the fees between the two cities shows and if Fairview's are significantly lower. Owen stated it would be beneficial to have that information before approving the contract. Councilor Quinby agreed and stated that he would like to know if Fairview meets the financial requirements of funding our part of the program. Administrator Wellman responded that our current fees do not cover Fairview's costs for the program. This fact has been identified as an item that would be brought to the Council for review in the near future.

Councilor Quinby asked if the IGA could be approved without the changes suggested and the building permit fee comparison. Attorney Elsner stated that a conditional approval could not be done, that the contract as it stands has to be approved or not approved. Elsner stated that his sense is that the Council wants more information before this can be approved. Councilors Quinby and Owen asked if this would have to be brought back to Council. Administrator Wellman stated that the revisions and a fee schedule comparison could be brought back to the Council for the August 3, 2005 meeting.

Councilor Raze stated that since there is a 180-day opt out clause Fairview can get out of the contract if needed. Raze stated that the fees are as they are and does not think changing them somewhat will make a big difference.

Councilor Raze moved to approve the IGA with Troutdale for the Building Inspection Program. Mayor Weatherby called for a second, as there was no second the motion failed. Mayor Weatherby stated that the item is being pulled tonight and would be brought back to Council on August 3, 2005 with a fee comparison and the few changes discussed

tonight.

C. Fire Services Recommendation:

Mayor Weatherby called for discussion on the Fire Services program. Administrator Wellman stated there is a revised staff report for the Council. Wellman stated that the Ad Hoc Fire Service Study Committee has been meeting since last December to find options for the three cities of Wood Village, Troutdale and Fairview. Mayor Weatherby and Councilor Cornelius have been the City's representatives on that committee. On Monday, July 18, 2005 a joint three-city meeting was held to deliver the Ad Hoc Committee's recommendation for fire services. The recommendation is now being brought before the councils of the three cities.

Administrator Wellman stated the recommendation is to go with the option to contract with the Gresham Fire Department. The proposed contract is for 10 years, with a two-year ramp up and a 12% opener if costs outside of Gresham's control increase beyond that percentage. Councilor Cornelius stated that it is important to point out the particulars of this proposed contract. Administrator Wellman clarified those points. The costs would increase annually for years three through five by 3.5% and 4% for years six through ten, there would be a quarterly payment schedule, a user board would be created with representatives from the three cities, an arbitration clause would be in place to resolve disputes, and a two year notification if one or all three cities decide to end the contract agreement. There is also a mandatory level of service for this contract. This proposed agreement is the result of a number of meetings of the Ad Hoc Fire Committee, correspondence with the City of Gresham and review by attorneys. The councils of the three cities need to now ratify the recommendation of the Committee, then it would be sent to Gresham for approval and then the City Attorney from Troutdale would help finalize the agreement.

Councilor Raze asked for clarification on what would constitute implementing the "opener" because he is concerned that Fairview not be charged for things that would normally be part of the City of Gresham's costs. Administrator Wellman stated that the language for the opener is specific in that the increased costs would be for things that are beyond the control of Gresham, such as unfunded state and federal mandates. If that occurs it means that the contract would be renegotiated. Councilor Cornelius stated that requirements to increase the number of firefighters on an engine or if a change in the way the staff is compensated would also be things that could trigger renegotiation. Councilor Raze stated he is concerned that Fairview not be billed for such things as the City Administrator's time, or other administrative costs for the program.

As there was no other discussion Mayor Weatherby called for a motion to approve the recommendation. Councilor Jones thanked the Committee and the councilors for their work on this important issue.

Councilor Owen moved and Councilor Raze seconded the motion to approve the Ad Hoc Fire Service Study Committee's recommendation for a contract with Gresham Fire Department for fire services.

AYES: 7
NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

The motion to approve the recommendation passed unanimously.

IX. STAFF REPORTS

Mayor Weatherby called for the staff reports.

Ken Johnson, Chief of Police, announced that Fairview has successfully recruited a new police officer, Gary Kirby who is from Colorado. Kirby is a master police officer with impressive credentials. He will be replacing Officer Aden who resigned.

Chief Johnson stated that July 4th was very successful and peaceful. The gang task force was helpful in this and they have been doing a great job. The police responded to a knife fight and were able to turn it over to the task force thereby freeing up Fairview's resources for the July 4th events. The statistics for the task force for June are: 108 mission driven complaints, the police contacted 139 gang members and identified 122 new ones plus a new gang from California. There were 24 felony arrests, and 19 cases that went to the District Attorney. This is a very successful project and the cooperation level is very commendable.

Bob Cochran, Public Works Director, stated that, as the Council is well aware, the department has focused on water quality. Recently there was a problem with three out of ten water samples that showed e-coli. The staff immediately contacted Mr. Cochran, the State was notified, an action plan was developed and the staff mobilized. For safety the new reservoir was taken off line since that was the only new variable to the system. Staff also immediately re-sampled, but there is a 24-hour turn around on those results. The city staff prepared a notice, with the assistance of the State, copies were made and notices placed on all residences in the city. Staff continued to take samples and two crews spent 18 hours flushing the lines. No other samples showed the presence of e-coli. Two million gallons were flushed through the system, 56 additional samples were taken, the city staff received several hundred phone calls and there was 81 hours of overtime. The lessons learned were that the emergency strategies that were used worked very, very well so no changes in those strategies would be made. The information on the notices would be changed to some degree to help answer some of the common questions that came up.

Director Cochran stated that it is unknown what the source of the e-coli was, but noted that when the City of Wilsonville brought on a new reservoir they had a similar issue. Fairview followed the State guidelines for new reservoirs and the tank was sterilized per those guidelines.

Director Cochran commended the entire staff for their help. He noted that Administrator Wellman handled all of the media and press releases and calls; that Steve Richards and Derrick Yates were instrumental in flushing the lines and worked the entire weekend. Steve Bennett and Ralph Horn worked the night shift to continue the flushing.

Councilor Quinby stated he was concerned that the new reservoir had been online for a month, but no testing had been done. Quinby suggested that if the city builds another reservoir to have it tested several times during that first month.

Councilor Jones stated she appreciated the quick response by the city

staff and how well the whole notification process was handled. Jones suggested that the lessons learned, about what information should be included, are important. Director Cochran stated that the informational sheet that was developed was from a template from the State, but he agreed there are some things that should be included.

Councilor Owen stated that his neighbors were very impressed with the Public Works staff and the city staff for the quick response in notifying the citizens and resolving the problem. It was impressive that the staff went door to door to deliver the notices. Councilor Owen thanked Director Cochran for coming in during his vacation to help with this problem. It was commendable.

Tamara DeRidder, Community Development Director, stated that the planning staff was very busy with building permits and staff has been processing 57 land use applications. The Knight Transportation development at the Townsend Business Park is underway. Two new possibilities for the Townsend property are in the pre-application phase at this time. The Planning Commission hearing scheduled for August 9th has a 31-unit apartment complex being presented for approval, that property is off 205th Avenue just off of Sandy Blvd.

Director DeRidder stated that Eric Underwood, Economic Development Specialist for Fairview is now working eight hours a week for Troutdale to help them with their industrial lands inventory. He will also be working 12 hours a week for EMEA – this is an increase from the original contract of eight hours. This means that Eric will only be working 20 hours a week for Fairview.

Director DeRidder stated that Community Development has also been working on a variety of code enforcement issues. One of the biggest issues is the house on 207th and Halsey St. The Fire Marshal, Building Inspector, and Community Development staff gained access through the property owner. The house has significant fire/life/safety and building code violations. It will be difficult and expensive to bring it up to code for someone to rent it. Zafar Haq, property owner, was present during the inspections and was instructed to board the building up with boards that cross over the plywood to secure it. The city will be sending a letter of abatement of a dangerous building.

Councilor Owen asked about the code enforcement issues at Eastwinds Industrial Park and how that is going at this time. He asked if the site would be closed down or if they are complying with the notices. DeRidder stated that this has taken a significant amount of staff time and coordination with the Fire Marshal and Building Inspectors. Each unit has been catalogued for code violations and letters are going out to the individual unit tenants who are in violation as well as to the property owner. This has been somewhat complex due to the wide variety of the types of businesses and the fact that some violations are building related and thereby the owner has to make those repairs. There has been a tight deadline for compliance and part of that is to obtain the permits and to be sure that the inspections are being performed in a timely manner.

Councilor Owen asked about the road into the Townsend Park and how the turn lane would be designed. Specifically he asked about a turn lane and light. Director DeRidder stated that would come in phase two of the project and would be called Townsend Way and is part of the LID reapportionment that the Council just approved tonight and is

part of those road improvements. Truck traffic could head east or west along Sandy Blvd. to access that road as well as turning onto Sandy Blvd. from Townsend Way. At this point Multnomah County is in the process of developing a design for turn lanes and/or signals for the 223rd and Sandy Blvd. intersection and the Townsend Way/Sandy Blvd. intersection.

Councilor Owen noted that during rush hour 223rd to Sandy and on Sandy Blvd. Traffic is quite extensive. The addition of truck traffic from the Townsend property could make an already difficult situation into a dangerous one. Owen asked what the provision is for that traffic. Director DeRidder stated that she would research that plan and let the Council know. She was not involved in the formulation of the plan, but has not read anything that determines the traffic should go just down Sandy Blvd. Owen stated he would like to have more information about this, as a left turn onto 223rd from the Townsend property would be a major traffic concern to everyone using that road. DeRidder stated that there is a signal planned for 223rd and Sandy Blvd, but is not sure one is being planned for Townsend Way. Mayor Weatherby stated that he was also under the impression that turn lanes and a light are being planned at 223rd and Sandy Blvd. and asked Director DeRidder to report back on those plans. DeRidder noted that perhaps the Public Works Director could answer that question.

Director Cochran stated that Multnomah County is in the process of finalizing the plans and there are issues with moving a sewer line, a fire hydrant, and other infrastructure issues to deal with. Administrator Wellman stated that this is scheduled for fall. The Council will be kept informed on the process and progress.

Administrator Wellman stated that the Finance Department Director is on vacation and would give her report in September.

City Attorney Elsner stated that his office has been working on a dangerous building code, reviewing the RFP for the new phone system, the EMEA contract, Troutdale building inspection contract, city raffles, nuisance codes, and insurance issues. Councilor Cornelius asked about the medical benefits for retirees. Elsner stated that retirees are eligible for COBRA insurance for a full 18 months at the group coverage rate. Another federal statute is the Portability Act for COBRA to continue coverage to the age of 65 when former employees become eligible for Medicare. After 18 months they are not eligible for insurance under the Teamsters insurance plan. Cornelius asked if this was a win for the retirees and Elsner responded that it was.

**X. MAYOR/COMMITTEE
REPORTS & COUNCIL
CONCERNS**

Mayor Weatherby called for Committee Reports and/or Council concerns.

Councilor Cornelius stated the Ad Hoc Fire Committee report was discussed earlier in the meeting and he had nothing further.

Councilor Jones stated that the Summer on the Green community event is coming up on July 30th and it is shaping up to be a great event with a classic car show, arts and crafts vendors, wonderful food with a beer and wine garden and the music that is lined up should be really great with “Elvis” making an appearance and culminates with Nokie Edwards, formerly of the Ventures who still has a large following for his virtuosos guitar playing. Councilor Jones invited everyone to come out and enjoy the festivities. It is on Saturday, July 30th from 11:00 a.m.

to 8:00 p.m.

Councilor Owen had no concerns other than those already discussed.

Mayor Weatherby stated that there would be a City Council meeting on the first Wednesday of August, but not the regularly scheduled one on the third Wednesday of the month. Mayor Weatherby stated that he testified in Salem on the local and county roads transfer agreement between Gresham and Multnomah County. He also talked with Rep. Minnis and her staff about the intermodal rail that is being discussed for the Alcoa property. The city is opposed to that type of development even though it could be a possibility.

Councilor Raze thanked everyone for the hard work on the Summer on the Green Festival and commended Councilor Jones for her role in the event.

Councilor Raze stated that the soccer field, at the Woodland Elementary School that Fairview has partnered with Reynolds School District to make a reality, is well underway. Raze noted that there will be needs that surface as this becomes a reality for the community. Netting would probably be needed along the Glisan side of the field and he suggested that golf courses have to replace their nets and they might be a resource for used netting.

Councilor Quinby stated that he received in his packet some information on the Farmer's Market and a letter from two merchants on Village Street that indicated they would like to have more oversight on the Market such as was done last year. Additionally, Quinby asked what kind of insurance coverage the Market has in place. Quinby asked that staff look into the Market and suggested that perhaps a workshop on it would be beneficial. The other Councilors suggested that staff provide information to Councilor Quinby to see if some of the concerns could be addressed that way.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Weatherby called for a motion to adjourn.

Councilor Owen moved and Councilor Raze seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. There was a consensus to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Mayor Mike Weatherby

Dated:

Jan Wellman
City Recorder

Dated: