

**City of Durham**  
**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**July 28, 2019**

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**A. OPEN REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.** Mayor Schirado opened the City Council meeting at 7:34 PM via Zoom.

**B. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS.** *Councilors Present:* Gery Schirado, Chris Hadfield, Leslie Gifford, Chuck Van Meter  
*Councilors Absent:* Keith Jehnke  
*Staff Present:* City Administrator Linda Tate and Administrative Assistant Emily Baker  
*Public Present:* Josh and Sonia Greenhalgh and Laurie Volm

**C. COUNCIL MINUTES.** Councilor Gifford moved to approve the minutes from the June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 meeting. Councilor Hadfield seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous (4-0).

**MO 072820-1**

**D.** Mayor Schirado read the **CALENDAR OF MEETINGS.**

**Tuesday, August 4, 2020,** Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission at 7:30 p.m., via Zoom  
**Tuesday, August 25, 2020,** Regular Meeting of the City Council at 7:30 p.m., via Zoom  
Councilor Gifford moved to cancel the August meeting. Councilor Van Meter seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous (4-0).

**MO 072820-2**

**E. PUBLIC FORUM.** None.

**F. PLANNING COMMISSION UPDATE.** There were no comments from the Councilors.

**G. UPDATE ON REQUEST FOR RAMP AT 8080 PETERS TO BE DECLARED A NUISANCE.**

Tate gave an update on of what has happened since the last Council meeting regarding the ramp. She said the ramp has been moved to the back yard. Greenhalgh said that it has been mostly dismantled and moved to the backyard. He said he does not know what is left that requires abatement. Councilor Gifford asked what Greehalgh plans to do with what is left of the ramp. He replied that it is unusable and most of it has been made into a stack of lumber.

Councilor Hadfield said he does not see an issue anymore because there is no ramp anymore. Tate said they can declare it not a nuisance, but that they need to make a motion either way. Councilor Hadfield moved to not declare this a nuisance. Councilor Van Meter seconded the motion. Councilor Gifford stated that they should make a motion that bicycle ramps should be declared a nuisance, but in the state the current ramp is in, it is not a nuisance. Councilor Hadfield said it is not necessary to single out a single thing due to the open ended nature of the ordinance and they should make their decisions on a case by case basis. Tate added that if they want to change something in the ordinance they have to make a new ordinance. The vote on Councilor Hadfield's motion was unanimous (4-0).

**MO 072820-3**

**H. RESOLUTION 632-20, A RESOLUTION EXTENDING WORKER'S COMPENSATION COVERAGE TO VOLUNTEERS OF THE CITY OF DURHAM.** Councilor Gifford moved to adopt Resolution 632-20, A Resolution extending worker's compensation coverage to volunteers of the City of Durham. Councilor Hadfield seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous (4-0).

**MO 072820-4**

**I. REQUEST FROM LEAGUE OF OREGON CITIES FOR COUNCIL TO DECIDE TOP FOUR ISSUES.** The Councilors gave their top four choices for the LOC to focus on in the upcoming Legislative Session. Councilor Van Meter's top four choices were Expedited Siting for Shelter and Affordable Housing, Housing and Services Investment, Mental Health Service Delivery, and Right of Way/Franchise Fees Authority Preservation. Councilor Gifford's top four were Increased Budgetary Flexibility During Budgetary Emergency, Mental Health Service Delivery, Right of Way/Franchise Fees Authority Preservation, and Municipal Broadband and Municipal Pole Protection. Councilor Hadfield's top four were Digital Equity and Inclusion, Increased Budgetary Flexibility During Budgetary Emergency, Municipal Broadband and Municipal Pole Protection, and Right of Way/Franchise Fees Authority Preservation. Mayor Schirado's top four were Long Term Transportation Infrastructure Funding, Mental Health Service Delivery, Property Tax Reform, Right of Way/Franchise Fees Authority Preservation.

Mayor Schirado discussed why he thinks Property Tax Reform is important and should be considered.

The four topics the Council decided on were Increased Budgetary Flexibility During Budgetary Emergency, Mental Health Service Delivery, Municipal Broadband and Municipal Pole Protection, and Right of Way/ Franchise Fees Authority Preservation.

**J. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT.** Tate said Metro is willing to come speak to the Council about their Transportation Package for the upcoming election. Mayor Schirado added that Metro is open to explaining the package and addressing any comments or concerns from the Council. Councilors Hadfield, Van Meter, and Gifford said they do not need any additional information about the package.

Councilor Gifford said she would like to hear about the plans for an In & Out burger that is being discussed for the location of the current Village Inn. Mayor Schirado said the In & Out Burger that is being discussed is still in the early stages and the impacted cities have not addressed it yet. Councilor Hadfield said that people in the surrounding areas would be in support of an In & Out, but Durham residents will be most impacted because it would cause major traffic disruptions at a major intersection Durham residents use to get in and out of the city.

**K. FINANCIAL REPORTS.**

Councilor Gifford moved to approve payroll checks 591 to 592, vendor checks 16694 to 16716, and electronic fund transfers totaling \$6136.75. Councilor Hadfield seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous (4-0). **MO 072820-5**

**L. COUNCIL COMMENTS & MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.** Mayor Schirado said he saw the protests in Portland on Friday July 24<sup>th</sup> and gave the Council his interpretation of them, stating what he saw was peaceful.

Mayor Schirado said Washington County Board of Commissioners is discussing a new tax to put on the ballot in November. He added that none of the Mayors in the Washington County Mayors Consortium were consulted prior to them discussing it. He added that the Mayors are generally opposed to the amount of the tax they are proposing.

Councilor Hadfield asked about the paving at the railroad tracks on Boones Ferry Rd. Tate said it has been on the ODOT's list of projects for a long time, and it finally got on their budget. Mayor Schirado noted that the pot holes on Boones Ferry have also been fixed.

Mayor Schirado asked about the cable that has been being laid along Upper Boones Ferry Rd. Tate said Century Link has been boring and laying cables.

**M. ADJOURN.** Councilor Gifford moved to adjourn. Councilor Van Meter seconded the motion. Mayor Schirado adjourned the meeting at 8:33 PM.

**Approved:**

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**GERY SCHIRADO, MAYOR**

**Attest:**

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**LINDA TATE, CITY ADMINISTRATOR/RECORDER**