

City of Durham
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
March 23, 2021

- A. OPEN REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.** Mayor Schirado called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. via Zoom.
- B. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS.** *Councilors present:* Mayor Gery Schirado, Council President Chris Hadfield, and Councilor Chuck Van Meter.
Councilors absent: Councilors Gifford and Jehnke
Staff present: City Administrator Linda Tate and Administrative Assistant Emily Baker
Public provided with a link to the meeting: No one requested a Zoom link.
- C. COUNCIL MINUTES.** Councilor Van Meter moves to approve the minutes from the January 26, 2021 council meeting. Mayor Schirado seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous (3-0). **MO 032321-1**
- D. Tate read the CALENDAR OF MEETINGS.**
- **Tuesday, April 6, 2021,** Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission at 7:30 via zoom
 - **Tuesday, April 27, 2021,** Budget Meeting at 6:30 via zoom
 - **Tuesday, April 27, 2021,** Regular Meeting of the City Council at 7:30 via zoom
- E. PUBLIC FORUM.** None.
- F. PLANNING COMMISSION UPDATE.** There were no comments.
- G. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**
- **In-N-Out:** Tate said there is nothing new to report on the possible development of an In-N-Out in Tualatin.
 - **Police Services:** Tate explained the recalibration of the police services IGA with Tualatin and gave background on the cost increase. Councilor Hadfield asked how Chief Steele communicated with the City. Tate said she spoke with the Tualatin City Manager and then Chief Steele sent an email with the details for the police IGA, which she included in the packet. She added that she can ask for more information if the Council provides her with the questions they have.

Councilor Hadfield asked about the comment “the City is getting a good deal.” Mayor Schirado added that he would also like to know what the definition of a “good deal” is and that a better understanding of what the money is going toward would be helpful for him. Councilor Hadfield asked about the rate increase. Tate said the base the City started with was lower than what Tualatin had originally wanted, so the annual 4% increase is to get the City closer to what Tualatin wanted at the previous recalibration five years ago.

Councilor Hadfield asked about the relationship between the Tualatin Police and Durham. Tate said that Chief Steele always says he enjoys working with Durham and Mayor Schirado said that the Tualatin police patrol in Durham is similar to the way they patrol Tualatin. He added that the time officers spend in Durham is based on the need for police to be here. Tate asked if the Councilors would like her to invite Chief Steele to the next meeting. Mayor Schirado and Councilor Hadfield said that

that would be helpful. Mayor Schirado said he would like to have Chief Steele provide more details on what the IGA is providing to the City of Durham.

Councilor Hadfield asked about the cost per capita in Durham versus in Tualatin. Tate said that the police force can't be determined on a per capita basis, because they need to be able to staff police 24 hours a day.

Mayor Schirado discussed the recent election in Tigard regarding their police force.

- **ODOT Grant:** Tate said every year the City applies for a small city allotment grant from ODOT, and that with additional COVID funding, ODOT has decided that they would fund the next project on their list, which is Durham's project to repave Chaucer Court. Tate added that she will provide the Council with more information at future meeting.

Mayor Schirado brought up the federal COVID relief package, which allocates funds to cities. Tate said she saw a breakdown in a recent League of Oregon Cities email and it looks like Durham could have a little less than \$400,000 to be used for making up any budget falls for what the City didn't get through some tax revenues and to help struggling business and homeowners.

- H. FINANCIAL REPORTS.** Councilor Van Meter moved to approve payroll checks 605 to 608, vendor checks 16815 to 16843, and electronic fund transfers totaling \$12,142.93. Councilor Hadfield seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous (3-0). **MO 032321-2**

- I. COUNCIL COMMENTS & MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.** Councilor Van Meter said there are a couple test lights in Heron Grove for people to stop by and take a look at them.

Mayor Schirado told the Councilors that the Tigard-Tualatin School District has released a suggested schedule for reopening schools.

The Councilors discussed the donut truck the City brought in as part of the Community Psyche project.

- J. ADJOURN.** The mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Approved:

GERY SCHIRADO, MAYOR

Attest:

LINDA TATE, CITY ADMINISTRATOR/RECORDER