

City of Durham
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
October 25, 2022

- A. OPEN REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.** Mayor Schirado opened the meeting at 7:34 PM via Zoom.
- B. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS.** *Councilors present:* Mayor Gery Schirado, Council President Chris Hadfield, Leslie Gifford, Chuck Van Meter and Keith Jehnke
Staff present: City Administrator Linda Tate and Administrative Assistant Becky Morinishi
Visitors via Zoom: Chief Greg Pickering, Tualatin Police Department; Sara Kirby, Metro; Kristin Leichner, Pride Disposal.
- C. COUNCIL MINUTES.** Councilor Gifford moved to approve the minutes from the September 27, 2022 City Council meeting. Mayor Schirado seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous (5-0). **MO 102522-01**
- D. Mayor Schirado read the CALENDAR OF MEETINGS.**
- **Tuesday, November 1, 2022**, Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission at 7:30 PM via Zoom
 - **Friday, November 11, 2022**, City Hall will be closed in observance of Veterans Day
 - **Tuesday, November 22, 2022**, Regular Meeting of the City Council at 7:30 PM via Zoom
 - **Thursday and Friday, November 24-25, 2022**, City Hall will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday
- E. PUBLIC FORUM.** No members of the public were present.
- F. PLANNING COMMISSION UPDATE.** No comments from Council.
- G. INTRODUCTION OF POLICE CHIEF GREG PICKERING.** Mayor Schirado welcomed Chief Greg Pickering from the Tualatin Police Department. Pickering was appointed to the position of Chief on October 3, 2022, but has been serving in the position since June 11, 2022 when the previous Chief retired. Pickering introduced himself to the Council, noting that he was raised in Tualatin and became a Tualatin Police Explorer at the age of 17. He was then Tualatin's first Reserve Officer. After working in Tigard, Pickering returned to the Tualatin Police Department in 2005 as a Student Resource Officer at Tualatin High School. He worked his way up the ranks to become Chief, and is happy to be serving his home town. Pickering is also a football coach at Tualatin High School. He thanked the Council for the warm welcome and said that he is happy to serve the people of Durham. The Councilors each introduced themselves and stated that they are also looking forward to continuing the good relationship between the Police Department and the City. Pickering noted that he will return to next month's Durham City Council meeting to present the Annual Report from the Chief. Schirado asked if there has been a change in the liaison and Pickering answered that the liaison is the same.
- H. ORDINANCE 267-22, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DURHAM AMENDING EXHIBIT 'A' OF ORDINANCE 184-96, THE CITY OF DURHAM SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE.** Mayor Schirado welcomed Sarah Kirby from Metro and Kristin Leichner from Pride Disposal to the meeting. Schirado noted that this is the first reading of Ordinance 267-22 and asked City Administrator Tate for more information. Tate responded that Metro has new multi-family regional service standards and education provisions that need to be implemented by the end of June 2023. While Tate was creating the amending ordinance, she noticed two other items which did not match the current status of Durham's collection process. Tate addressed these in the amending ordinance as well. Tate noted that the ordinance has been pre-approved by both Pride and Metro.

Kirby explained that, for the first time in about 30 years, Metro has updated its service standard for multi-family housing. This change sets a minimum per unit volume for each of the three streams (garbage, recycling, glass), a minimum collection frequency of weekly, requires the use of a regional decal and sets a color standard for the bins for each of the three streams. Metro worked with cities and counties, including the Washington County Cooperative, to address issues with multi-family garbage and recycling collection. In 2015 to 2017, Metro did waste-characterization studies and address-level analysis of service levels at different multi-family sites. The new standards should help ease those issues.

Mayor Schirado then asked Leichner to explain how this ordinance will affect Pride Disposal and Durham residents. Leichner explained that it will have little effect on Durham residents because there are few multi-family housing units in the city. Pride's garbage containers already meet the color standard. The recycling bins have always been brown, but Pride is switching over to blue as they reorder and paint bins. This should be an easy transition, as Pride has been given seven years to comply with the new standards. They feel that they are already

meeting the minimum volume and minimum frequency requirements, so it is just a matter of documenting the changes to hold them accountable. Leichner added that the changes are pretty standard for them moving forward and they do not have any concerns about it. Leichner addressed the two items in the ordinance that were not mandated by Metro. First, Pride has already increased its glass pick up frequency to every other week instead of once per month. Also, Pride's common practice has been to start residential service right at 6 am, but Durham's current ordinance says that garbage pickup is not supposed to start until 7 am. Making these two changes in the ordinance will reflect the current conditions in the collection process.

Mayor Schirado added that the pickup time is different from the noise ordinance. He thanked Leichner for the clarification and Administrator Tate for catching those two items. Schirado opened the floor to questions or comments from the Council. Councilor Jehnke asked for clarification on section 13 of the ordinance, "Annually provide comprehensive education and assistance for waste recycling and reuse services to all customers, including single-family, multifamily and business customers." Leichner responded that Washington County Cooperative sends out a mailer to residents twice a year, and Pride sends newsletters with their regular billings. Those are in-line with state-wide DEQ requirements in terms of recycling and waste-reduction education efforts, so those meet the minimum standard. In addition, Washington County has outreach staff that can provide on-site assistance for commercial and multi-family properties, so they are well-covered. Schirado said he assumed that the monthly billing newsletter was part of their public education efforts.

Mayor Schirado noted that the second reading of this ordinance is on the November 22, 2022 City Council agenda. Gifford moved to approve Ordinance 267-22, an ordinance amending Exhibit 'A' of Ordinance 184-96, the City of Durham Solid Waste Management Ordinance by title only for the first reading. Van Meter seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous (5-0).

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I. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- Tate said that Tualatin has nothing new to report on In-N-Out.
- Tate proposed the meeting calendar for 2023. The Councilors approved.
- Will need to update second check signer in January, as Council President Hadfield is retiring. Councilor Gifford said she would do it.

J. FINANCIAL REPORTS.

- Councilor Gifford moved to approve payroll checks 639-640, vendor checks 17175-17192, and electronic fund transfers totaling \$6,069.87. Councilor Van Meter seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous (5-0).

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K. COUNCIL COMMENTS & MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- None

L. ADJOURN. Mayor Schirado adjourned the meeting at 8:10 PM

Approved:

GERY SCHIRADO, MAYOR

Attest:

LINDA TATE, CITY ADMINISTRATOR/RECORDER