

**FOREST GROVE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
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*Minutes are unofficial until approved by Council.  
Council approved minutes as presented November 8, 2010.*

**1. ROLL CALL:**

Mayor Peter Truax called the regular City Council meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. **ROLL CALL: COUNCIL PRESENT:** Thomas BeLusko, Jr., Thomas Johnston, Victoria Lowe, Camille Miller, Ronald Thompson, and Mayor Peter Truax. **COUNCIL ABSENT:** Elena Uhing, excused. **STAFF PRESENT:** Michael Sykes, City Manager; Paul Elsner, City Attorney; Paul Downey, Administrative Services Director; Rob Foster, Public Works Director; Jon Holan, Community Development Director; Colleen Winters, Library Director; Ismoon Hunter-Morton, Adult Services Librarian; Kerry Aleshire, Police Chief (in the audience); Tom Gamble, Parks and Recreation Director (in the audience); Richard Matzke, Interim Light and Power Director (in the audience); and Anna Ruggles, City Recorder.

**2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: None.**

**3. CONSENT AGENDA: Items under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and will be adopted with a single motion, without separate discussion. Council members who wish to remove an item from the Consent Agenda may do so prior to the motion to approve the item(s). Any item(s) removed from the Consent Agenda will be discussed and acted upon following the approval of the Consent Agenda item(s).**

- A. Approve City Council Work Session (Noise Ordinance) Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2010.
- B. Approve City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2010.
- C. Accept Historic Landmarks Board Meeting Minutes of August 24, 2010.
- D. Accept Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of July 19 and September 7, 2010.
- E. Accept Public Arts Commission Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2010.
- F. Community Development Department Monthly Building Activity Informational Report for September 2010.

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G. Accept Resignation on Committee for Citizen Involvement  
(Jennifer Davis, Term Expiring December 31, 2011).

**MOTION:** Councilor Johnston moved, seconded by Councilor Lowe, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. **ABSENT:** Councilor Uhing.  
**MOTION CARRIED 6-0 by voice vote.**

4. **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:**

Council remanded Agenda Item 6 (refer below to Agenda Item 6).

5. **PRESENTATIONS:**

5. A. **Eric G. Stewart History Room Update:**

Winters and Hunter-Morton provided a presentation on the Eric G. Stewart History Room, located at the Forest Grove Library, noting volunteers have been processing the Stewart History Collection since 2009 and will soon be assisting staff in installing and providing access to the materials in the collection. Winters reported the Eric G. Stewart History Collection was gifted to the City in 1996 and contains local Forest Grove historical files and other historical materials collected by Stewart during his lifetime. Hunter-Morton reported the History Room will house permanently as a public archive the Stewart History Collection, as well as the Forest Grove Woman's Club, Forest Grove Gleeman, and the Library's oral history collections. In addition, Winters reported staff is working with the Library Commission to develop a policy regarding use and collection development of the Stewart History Room. In conclusion, Winters distributed a copy of the Summer Reading Stats and Friends of Forest Grove Library Newsletter. Additionally, Mayor Truax publicly recognized and commended members of the Library Commission who were present in the audience.

5. B. **Metro Update**

Holan referenced a copy of his staff report and provided an update on various planning activities occurring at state and regional level, noting Metro's Chief Operating Officer released recommendations on a Community Investment Strategy Plan and reported the two matters that have the most direct impact on the community is the proposed Urban Growth Expansion for large-lot industrial sites and Metro's new Functional Plan Title 6, which gives Metro

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authority to establish requirements for local jurisdictions to receive regional investments. In addition, Holan referenced various handouts, including Attachment 1, which outlined Appendix 5, "Focus on jobs - maintaining a competitive supply of large sites for industrial uses" and Attachment 2, which outlined "Title 6: Centers, Corridors, Station Communities and Main Streets". In conclusion, Holan addressed Council inquiries pertaining to Urban and Rural Reserves and Urban Growth Boundary.

6. CONTINUE PUBLIC HEARING FROM COUNCIL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2010, AND SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2010-09 ADOPTION OF THE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PLAN UPDATE (*Postponed Indefinitely and Remanded to Planning Commission*)

First reading of Ordinance No. 2010-09 and first Public Hearing occurred at the Council meeting of September 27, 2010.

Staff Report:

No staff report was presented; however, Mayor Truax referenced a copy of the staff report in the Council packet, noting the following recommendations are before the Council for consideration:

1. Adopt the City of Forest Grove 2010 Transportation System Plan Update as Presented; or
2. Adopt the Transportation System Plan Update with Changes; or
3. Remand the Transportation System Plan Update back to the Planning Commission; or
4. Reject Adoption of the Transportation System Plan Update and wait for an update associated With Periodic Review.

Council Discussion:

Mayor Truax opened the floor and roundtable discussion ensued pertaining to the above-noted recommendations. After brief discussion, Council made a motion to postpone indefinitely Ordinance No. 2010-09 and remand the TSP Update back to the Planning Commission and directed the Planning Commission to review the TSP Appendixes and review the new oral and written testimony heard and received at the Council hearing of September 27, 2010, including letters submitted by Oregon Department of Transportation regarding signalization of Yew/Adair Street; a letter and map

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submitted by Forest Grove School District regarding realignment of Hartford Drive; and oral and written testimony submitted by a citizen.

**MOTION TO POSTPONE AND REMAND:** Councilor Miller moved, seconded by Councilor BeLusko, Jr., to postpone indefinitely Ordinance No. 2010-09, Adoption of the Transportation System Plan (TSP) Update, and remand the TSP Update back to the Planning Commission and direct the Planning Commission to review the TSP Appendixes and new oral and written testimony heard and received at the Council hearing of September 27, 2010.

**Council Discussion:**

Hearing no further discussion from the Council, Mayor Truax asked for a roll call vote on the above motion to remand Ordinance No. 2010-09.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** AYES: Councilors BeLusko, Jr., Johnston, Lowe, Miller, Thompson, and Mayor Truax. NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilor Uhing.  
MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

**Public Hearing Continuance Denied:**

Mayor Truax denied opening and continuing the Public Hearing from the Council meeting of September 27, 2010, advising members of the public present in the audience that Ordinance No. 2010-09 has been postponed indefinitely and the TSP Update remanded back to the Planning Commission for additional review as noted above.

**7. ANNUAL REVIEW OF CITY'S CURRENT INVESTMENT POLICY**

Downey presented a copy of the City's current Investment Policy, which was adopted May 26, 2009, for Council review, noting the Investment Policy requires the Council to review the policies annually. In conclusion, Downey advised staff has reviewed the current policy with the City's Investment Advisor and staff is recommending no changes at this time to the City's current Investment Policy.

**Council Discussion:**

Mayor Truax opened the floor and roundtable discussion ensued pertaining to the City's invested funds and investment strategies, to which Downey

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addressed. Hearing no further discussion from the Council, Mayor Truax asked for Council consensus to accept staff's recommendation that no changes be made to the City's current Investment Policy. Council consensus carried 6-0 by voice vote (Councilor Uhing absent).

**8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Sykes reported on upcoming events as noted in the Council calendar and reported on other various upcoming local meetings and events. Sykes briefly reported on Law Enforcement Career Day; results of the Public Safety Open House; status of a regional bicycle covered facilities grant; status of an electric vehicle charging station grant; status of City's Sidewalk Improvements Program; and provided an update on David Hill Road extension. In conclusion, Sykes reported on various meetings he attended and provided updates on various City department-related activities and projects.

**9. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS:**

BeLusko reported on the Public Arts Commission meeting, noting discussion focused on placement of the third bench. BeLusko commended the Parks and Recreation Commission (P&R) and staff for the outstanding job and regional coordination they did overseeing the development and completion of B Street Trail. BeLusko referenced a blog posted on *OregonLive.com* pertaining to the Forest Grove Swim Club announcing that they are building a new aquatics facility in Cornelius, noting the article states the City of Forest Grove rejected the Swim Club's offer. BeLusko indicated he is very disappointed with the Swim Club's leadership, noting the comment does not represent all of the facts and is untruthful and a mischaracterization of the City, noting the Swim Club has never made a formal proposal to P&R, City staff or City Council. In addition, BeLusko reported on an upcoming seminar and meetings he was planning to attend.

Johnston reported on various upcoming meeting he was planning to attend.

Lowe briefly reported on Fernhill Wetlands-related projects and upcoming Mayor's Dinner and Auction, which will be held Saturday, October 30, 2010. In addition, Lowe reported on various upcoming meetings and community-related events she was planning to attend.

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Miller commended the Parks and Recreation Commission and staff for the outstanding job and regional coordination they did overseeing the development and completion of B Street Trail. Miller reported on Chamber-related updates. In addition, Miller reported on various upcoming meetings and community-related events she was planning to attend.

Thompson reported the Community Forestry Commission is hosting a Tree Pruning Workshop on Saturday, November 20, 2010, Lincoln Park. Thompson spoke about his volunteer-related participation with Ride Connection, noting he truly enjoyed volunteering. In addition, Thompson reported on various upcoming meetings and community-related events he was planning to attend.

Uhing was absent.

Mayor Truax reported on various local, regional, Metro, and Washington County meetings he attended and reported on various upcoming meetings and community-related events he was planning to attend. Mayor Truax reported the Forest Grove Council Candidate Forum, hosted by the Chamber of Commerce, was held October 20, 2010. Mayor Truax reported Gubernatorial Candidate John Kitzhaber visited Forest Grove early today. Mayor Truax spoke about the importance of voting on the upcoming General Election. In addition, Mayor Truax reported on the upcoming Nyuzen Adult and Student Delegation Visit, noting the delegation consists of 10 students and seven adults who will arrive in Forest Grove on October 27 and depart October 31, 2010.

10. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Truax adjourned the meeting at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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Anna D. Ruggles, CMC, City Recorder