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*Minutes are unofficial until approved by Council.
Council approved minutes as presented October 8, 2007.*

1. ROLL CALL:

Mayor Richard Kidd called the regular City Council meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. **ROLL CALL: COUNCIL PRESENT:** Thomas Johnston, Camille Miller, Peter Truax, Ronald Thompson, Elena Uhing, and Mayor Kidd. **COUNCIL ABSENT:** Victoria Lowe, excused. **STAFF PRESENT:** Michael Sykes, City Manager; Cindy Phillips, representing Andy Jordan, City Attorney; Rob Foster, Public Works Director; Jon Holan, Community Development Director; Rob DuValle, Human Resources Manager; Nick Kelsay, Project Engineer; Jeff King, Economic Development Coordinator; and Anna Ruggles, City Recorder.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS:

Rose Buchanan, Forest Grove, addressed Council and requested implementing a City Code, similar to Portland's Code, to allow a person within the City to keep three or fewer chickens, no roosters, without a permit.

Hal Ballard, Beaverton, representing Bicycle Transportation Alliance and Washington County Bicycle Transportation Coalition, presented a flyer promoting "Share the Road", a message to raise motorists' awareness about the increased use of Washington County roadways by bicyclists. Ballard reported the campaign efforts include a life-size cutout of people with their bikes reminding motorists that the bicyclists they are passing on the roadway could be a relative, friend, coworker, or neighbor and gives a message to the motorist to be careful because the bicyclist could be someone they know.

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. ITEM REMOVED, REFER BELOW.

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- B. Approve City Council Work Session (Periodic Review Process) Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2007.
- C. Approve City Council Work Session (Municipal Court Update) Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2007.
- D. Accept Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of July 2, July 16, July 30, and August 6, 2007.
- E. Community Development Department Monthly Building Activity Informational Report for August 2007.

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

3. A. APPROVE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2007

Johnston removed the above item from the Consent Agenda to request an administrative amendment to the minutes to indicate he arrived at 7:50 p.m.

Hearing no further discussion from the Council, Mayor Kidd asked for a motion and vote to approve Consent Agenda Item 3. A. as amended.

MOTION: Councilor Uhing moved, seconded by Councilor Miller, to approve Consent Agenda Item 3. A. as amended. **ABSENT:** Councilor Lowe. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0 by voice vote.**

4. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS: None.

5. PRESENTATION:

Kathryn Harrington, Metro Councilor District 4, presented a PowerPoint presentation outlining her Quarterly District 4 Report, Natural Areas Bond Measure, and other regional topics. Harrington presented a copy of the "Road Map for Making the Greatest Place, 2007-2011" and "The 2040 Match of the Century: Corridors vs. Centers". In addition, Harrington addressed questions pertaining to Metro's recycling program, operations of the Oregon Convention Center, and provided an update on the Metro's plan for new Convention Center hotel.

6. FIRST READING OF RESOLUTION NO. 2007-52 AUTHORIZING THE

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EXECUTION OF A LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF FOREST GROVE AND THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS (IBEW), LOCAL 125, TO BE EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007, AND EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2010

DuValle presented the above-proposed resolution requesting authorization to execute the labor agreement between the City and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), Local 125, effective July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2010. DuValle reported staff met with IBEW and negotiated a new labor agreement, noting modifications to the agreement include a cost of living adjustment of three and half percent per year, establishing a Journeyman Tree Trimmer wage, and other language modifications.

Before proceeding with Council discussion, Mayor Kidd asked for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2007-52.

Phillips read Resolution No. 2007-52 by title for first reading.

MOTION: Councilor Truax moved, seconded by Councilor Johnston, to adopt Resolution No. 2007-52 Authorizing the Execution of a Labor Agreement between the City of Forest Grove and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), Local 125, to be Effective July 1, 2007, and Expiring June 30, 2010.

The second reading of Resolution No. 2007-52 by title and vote will occur at the meeting of October 8, 2007.

7. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-53 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDING FOR THE 2008-2009 PROGRAM PERIOD AND PRIORITIZING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROJECTS

King presented the above-proposed resolution requesting authorization to submit two Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) applications for 2008-2009 program funding. The applications were ranked by priority based on public facilities, infrastructure improvements, and public services. Staff prioritized the projects as follows: 1) Bard Park playground equipment, and 2) A Street sidewalk and street improvements. Total estimated cost is \$377,000, including City match of \$162,000. King noted the City is prepared to contribute funding as specified in the grant application for any awarded

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grants.

Before proceeding with Council discussion, Mayor Kidd asked for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2007-53.

Phillips read Resolution No. 2007-53 by title.

MOTION: Councilor Johnston moved, seconded by Councilor Uhing, to adopt Resolution No. 2007-53 Authorizing the Submission of Applications for Community Development Block Grant Funding for the 2008-2009 Program Period and Prioritizing the Community Development Block Grant Projects.

Council Discussion:

In response to Johnston's inquiry pertaining to the City funding the projects, King confirmed Parks System Development Charges and Street Funds would pay for the City's share. In response to Johnston's inquiry about the street project qualifying for "Safe Routes to School Program", King advised the project may qualify but the program has no funding available.

In response to Miller's inquiry pertaining to the street project chosen, King replied the City received a petition from citizens requesting improvements and the street creates a hazard for students who walk to school. King indicated the project qualifies for CDBG funding because the project is located in a qualifying census tract, which will require conducting a door-to-door income survey as part of the application process.

Sykes noted it is becoming more difficult to find qualifying projects that meet the 51 percent low-moderate income eligibility.

Mayor Kidd noted the CDBG program has moved from a three-year to a one-year funding cycle.

Hearing no further discussion from the Council, Mayor Kidd asked for a vote on the above motion.

VOTE: AYES: Councilors Johnston, Miller, Thompson, Truax, Uhing, and Mayor Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilor Lowe. MOTION CARRIED

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6-0 by voice vote.

8. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-54 APPROPRIATING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY FOR TOWN CENTER IMPROVEMENTS

Foster introduced Kelsay who presented the above-proposed resolution granting the City temporary easement from property owners adjacent to the Town Center Pedestrian Improvements Project to allow work in the right-of-ways phase of the project.

Before proceeding with Council discussion, Mayor Kidd asked for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2007-54.

Phillips read Resolution No. 2007-54 by title.

MOTION: Councilor Miller moved, seconded by Councilor Uhing, to adopt Resolution No. 2007-54 Appropriating Certain Real Property for Town Center Improvements.

Council Discussion:

Hearing no discussion from the Council, Mayor Kidd asked for a vote on the above motion.

VOTE: AYES: Councilors Johnston, Miller, Thompson, Truax, Uhing, and Mayor Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilor Lowe. MOTION CARRIED 6-0 by voice vote.

9. RESOLUTION NO. 2007-55 AUTHORIZING CLEAN WATER SERVICES TO NEGOTIATE TITLE TRANSFER ON BEHALF OF CITY OF FOREST GROVE

Foster presented the above-proposed resolution authorizing Clean Water Services (CWS) to negotiate the Title Transfer Investigation - Memorandum of Agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation on behalf of the City. Foster reported the Joint Water Commission selected CWS to be the agency to work with the Bureau on the Title Transfer Investigation, noting CWS has provided management services on behalf of the Tualatin Basin Water Supply Partners since 2001. Foster noted the Title Transfer Investigation does not bind the City to complete the transfer at this time and no additional cost is anticipated.

Before proceeding with Council discussion, Mayor Kidd asked for a motion to

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adopt Resolution No. 2007-55.

Phillips read Resolution No. 2007-55 by title.

MOTION: Councilor Truax moved, seconded by Councilor Johnston, to adopt Resolution No. 2007-55 Authorizing Clean Water Services to Negotiate Title Transfer on Behalf of City of Forest Grove.

Council Discussion:

In response to Truax's concern pertaining to Resolution No. 2007-55 header title not indicating a Title Transfer "Investigation", Foster confirmed Section 1 clarifies that CWS is to represent the City in the "Title Transfer Investigation".

Hearing no discussion from the Council, Mayor Kidd asked for a vote on the above motion.

VOTE: AYES: Councilors Johnston, Miller, Thompson, Truax, Uhing, and Mayor Kidd. NOES: None. ABSENT: Councilor Lowe. MOTION CARRIED 6-0 by voice vote.

10. **CONTINUE PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2007-11 AMENDING THE FOREST GROVE ZONING MAP TO DESIGNATE FOUR PARCELS AS THE SMITH'S ORCHARD PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, A 13-LOT SUBDIVISION. LOCATED AT 2332 B STREET, 2307, 2311, AND 2333 GALES WAY. (WASHINGTON COUNTY TAX LOT NOS. 1N4 36DA-300, 800, 1000, AND 1001). APPLICANT: DAVE TURNBULL. PROPERTY OWNERS: DAVE TURNBULL AND EDMUND AND BURTON GRAVELLE. FILE NO. PRD-06-05**

The first reading of Ordinance No. 2007-11 by title and motion to adopt occurred at the meeting of August 6, 2007, and second reading of Ordinance No. 2007-11 by title occurred at the meeting of August 20, 2007.

Public Hearing Continued:

Mayor Kidd continued the Public Hearing from the meeting of September 24, 2007.

Staff Report:

Holan clarified the Conditions of Approval for Council consideration is for 11

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units, as recommended by the Planning Commission, and not 13 units, as proposed by the applicant. Holan noted if Council determines to allow 13 unit, as requested by the applicant, the Council would need to adopt an amendment to the Conditions of Approval.

Applicant Testimony:

Matt Newman, NW Engineers, LLC, 19075 NW Tanasbourne Drive, Hillsboro, representing the applicant, and Mike Robinson, Perkins Cole, LLP, 1120 NW Couch Street, Tenth Floor, Portland, OR, representing the applicant, presented a proposed plat showing a total of 11 new units and 2 existing units, noting the proposed plat has been revised in accordance with City Council direction at the August 20, 2007, Public Hearing to include a 5' pedestrian pathway connecting to B Street and indicating the location of the proposed fire hydrant (located between Lots 8 and 10). They noted they had eliminated the pedestrian access at the request of the Planning Commission to prevent cut-through traffic to and from the nearby school. They also showed an alternative 15-lot plat to indicate how the property could be developed without the need of a Planned Residential Development. In addition, they provided a summary of the site's conditions and evolution of the development from the original 16-lot proposal to the 13-lot proposed configuration, pointing out an 11-lot plat does not create any more open space than the proposed 13-lot plat. In conclusion, they requested approval of the 13-lot plat, asserting they have demonstrated compliance with the required findings of the Forest Grove Zoning Ordinance.

Proponents:

No one signed in to testify and no written comments were received.

Opponents:

Mark McDowall, 1723 23rd Avenue, testified in opposition; requested to allow 11 units as recommended by the Planning Commission; questioned the orientation of Lot 3; and requested taking into consideration the people who reside in the area and characteristics of existing homes.

Josh Rohrbach, 2318 Gales Way, testified in opposition; pointed out his home on the map; stated the less number of lots the better; and requested preserving the larger existing trees.

Melissa Moore, 2326 B Street, testified in opposition; stated her recollection

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of the Planning Commission's decision to allow 11-lots; stated she would like to see a different design with better orientation of the units, access points, and preserving the larger existing trees; and stated she opposed of the pedestrian pathway.

Roy Adams, 2326 B Street, testified in opposition; referenced a petition signed by 73 neighbors indicating approval of 11 units; presented his own design plat to improve orientation of the units; and requested taking into consideration the quality of life of the people who reside in the area.

Wayne and Jean Dietzman, PO Box 561, Gaston, testified in opposition; pointed out their home on the map; questioned recreational vehicle parking; type of fence abutting their property; park maintenance responsibility; lower density; and Ms. Dietzman stated she opposed of the pedestrian pathway.

Rebuttal:

Matt Newman, NW Engineers, LLC, 19075 NW Tanasbourne Drive, Hillsboro, representing the applicant, and Mike Robinson, Perkins Cole, LLP, 1120 NW Couch Street, Tenth Floor, Portland, OR, representing the applicant, reiterated earlier testimony pertaining to their request to approve a 13-lot plat, asserting they have demonstrated compliance with the requirements for a PRD. In addition, they addressed density requirements, recreational vehicle parking, orientation of the lots, preserving larger trees, and type of fencing, stating that Council could impose Conditions, as they deemed necessary, to address additional requirements.

Council Discussion:

In response to Truax's inquiry pertaining to the Planning Commission's Finding (Exhibit A) to reduce the plat from 13-lots to 11-lots, Robinson asserted the Planning Commission's finding was based on compatibility and not a valid criterion. Truax concurred the Planning Commission's Finding for an 11-lot plat was not sustained by criterion.

In response to Mayor Kidd's inquiry pertaining to providing additional parking, Robinson advised they could improve Smith Court to a 32' street with parking on both sides.

Johnston opposed widening Smith Court due to parking on both sides would

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reduce the clearance of travel. Johnston suggested adding a Condition to identify which units would need to be equipped with a fire suppression system and adding a Condition to the Homeowners' Association Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions prohibiting recreational vehicle parking. In addition, Johnston opposed a pedestrian pathway near a school because the pathway would tempt students to use the pathway as a shortcut or as a location to congregate.

Miller commented that Metro sets the density requirements and reiterated her concern that Homeowners' Association Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions do not provide enforcement provisions.

Thompson concurred the Finding for an 11-lot plat was not sustained by criterion and concurred a pedestrian pathway would create additional pedestrian traffic but a pathway would also increase property values and benefit the community. In addition, Thompson suggested adding a Condition to address pedestrian pathway lighting, fencing, identifying and preserving existing trees, and adding a Condition to the Homeowners' Association Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions prohibiting recreational vehicle parking.

Uhing concurred the Finding for an 11-lot plat was not sustained by criterion and concurred having a pedestrian pathway is ideal but the community consensus opposes a pedestrian pathway.

Mayor Kidd concurred with Johnston pertaining to widening Smith Court and pointed out the importance of having a pedestrian pathway is to provide connective within a community.

Hearing no further discussion from the Council, Mayor Kidd asked for a motion to amend Ordinance No. 2007-11, Smith's Orchard Planned Residential Development, as follows:

- Amend Condition 4, Final Plat, to allow no more than 11 new lots and 2 existing lots (13-lot plat);
- Allow applicant to submit to the Community Development Director for approval a revised design to improve access for Lots 3 and 13;
- Add a new Condition requiring applicant to submit to the

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- Community Development Director for approval a pedestrian pathway design, including pedestrian lighting;
- Add a new Condition requiring the applicant to notify and invite neighbors to the pre-construction meeting;
 - Amend Condition 10, Homeowners' Association Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions, to prohibit recreational vehicle within the development and establish a park maintenance fund;
 - Amend Condition 37, Fire Suppression System, to include, but not limited to, Lot 2, 3, 6, 12 and 13; and
 - Amend Condition 54, Trees, to identify and preserve three Walnut trees.

MOTION TO AMEND: Councilor Thompson moved, seconded by Councilor Uhing, to amend Ordinance No. 2007-11, Smith's Orchard Planned Residential Development, Amend Condition 4, Final Plat, to allow no more than 11 new lots and 2 existing lots (13-lot plat); Allow applicant to submit to the Community Development Director for approval a revised design to improve access for Lots 3, 4 and 13; Add a new Condition requiring applicant to submit to the Community Development Director for approval a pedestrian pathway design, including pedestrian lighting; Add a new Condition requiring the applicant to notify and invite neighbors to the pre-construction meeting; Amend Condition 10, Homeowners' Association Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions, to prohibit recreational vehicle parking and establish a park maintenance fund; Amend Condition 37, Fire Suppression System, to include, but not limited to, Lot 2, 3, 6, 12 and 13; and Amend Condition 54, Trees, to identify and preserve three Walnut trees.

Council Discussion:

Johnston reiterated concern that a pedestrian pathway near a school would tempt students to use the pathway as a shortcut or as a location to congregate.

Hearing no further discussion from the Council, Mayor Kidd asked for a roll call vote on the above motion to amend Ordinance No. 2007-11.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Councilors Miller, Thompson, Uhing, and Mayor Kidd. NOES: Councilor Johnston and Truax. ABSENT: Councilor Lowe.

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MOTION CARRIED 4-2.

Council Discussion:

Hearing no further discussion from the Council, Mayor Kidd asked for a roll call vote to adopt Ordinance No. 2007-11 as amended.

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

11. CONTINUE PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2007-12 AMENDING THE FOREST GROVE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MAP TO RE-DESIGNATE A 8.13 ACRE PORTION OF A 12.27 ACRE PARCEL FROM SEMI-PUBLIC/INSTITUTIONAL - COLLEGE DESIGNATION TO HIGH-DENSITY RESIDENTIAL. LOCATED AT 2311 CEDAR STREET, CANNERY FIELD. (WASHINGTON COUNTY TAX LOT NO. 1N3-31CA-3500). OWNER/APPLICANT: PACIFIC UNIVERSITY. FILE NO. CPA-07-03

The first reading of Ordinance No. 2007-12 by title and motion to adopt occurred at the meeting of September 10, 2007.

Staff Report:

Holan referenced a letter dated September 20, 2007, submitted by Josh Reynolds, Executive Vice President, Gray and Company (refer to written testimony).

Public Hearing Continued:

Mayor Kidd continued the Public Hearing from the meeting of September 10, 2007.

Written Testimony:

Josh Reynolds, Executive Vice President, Gray and Company, 2331 23rd Avenue, submitted a letter dated September 20, 2007, citing that a General Industrial site that has historically engaged in food processing simply cannot avoid affecting the livability of immediate adjacent residencies. Gray and Company requested addressing core issues pertaining to its location and restricting its ability to conduct business. Gray and Company suggested the following compromises in regards to the development of Cannery Field to include:

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- A substantial buffer between Gray and Company's property and the southern end of Cannery Field, over and above the General Landscape Standards, and ideally a public road.
- Preventing the development of single-family homes on any parcels along this same buffer. If housing is developed on these parcels (as opposed to a green space), it is Gray and Company's view that multi-family rental housing is far less likely to result in nuisance suits, given the turnover of rental tenants and the absence of owners who believe Gray and Company's operations impede upon their lifestyles or home equity.
- Adequate disclosure by the developer to prospective buyers of Gray and Company's rights to continue operating in its current manner.

Proponents:

No one signed in to testify and no written comments were received.

Opponents:

Robert Cox, 2409 Cedar Street, testified in opposition and stated he preferred lower density, requiring adequate storm drainage, and minimizing lighting effects.

Council Discussion:

In response to Truax's inquiry pertaining to Gray and Company's letter, Holan advised that a representative from Gray and Company testified to the Planning Commission citing similar concerns.

Hearing no further discussion from the Council, Mayor Kidd asked for a roll call vote on the motion made at the meeting of September 10, 2007.

Phillips read Ordinance No. 2007-12 by title for second reading.

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

12. **SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2007-13 AND ORDINANCE NO. 2007-**

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14, LOCATED AT 1548 19TH AVENUE (WASHINGTON COUNTY TAX LOT NOS. 1S4-1-400 AND 1S4 1AA-7200). APPLICANT: GALES CREEK TERRACE, LLC. PROPERTY OWNERS: RONALD AND WANDA RAU. FILE NO. CPA-06-01 AND ZC-07-01:

The first reading of Ordinance No. 2007-13 and Ordinance No. 2007-14 by title and motion to adopt occurred at the meeting of September 10, 2007.

Staff Report:

Holan had nothing further to report.

Public Hearing Closed:

Mayor Kidd closed the Public Hearing for both ordinances at the meeting of September 10, 2007.

Council Discussion:

Hearing no further discussion from the Council, Mayor Kidd asked for a roll call vote on the motions made at the meeting of September 10, 2007.

12. A. ORDINANCE NO. 2007-13 AMENDING THE FOREST GROVE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MAP TO RE-DESIGNATE AND RE-ZONE A 4.2 ACRE PORTION OF A 19.55 ACRE PARCEL FROM EXCLUSIVE FARM USE (EFU) TO LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL - MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (LDR-B). LOCATED AT 1548 19TH AVENUE (WASHINGTON COUNTY TAX LOT NOS. 1S4-1-400 AND 1S4 1AA-7200). APPLICANT: GALES CREEK TERRACE, LLC. PROPERTY OWNERS: RONALD AND WANDA RAU. FILE NO. CPA-06-01

Phillips read Ordinance No. 2007-13 by title for second reading.

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

12. B. ORDINANCE NO. 2007-14 AMENDING THE FOREST GROVE ZONING MAP TO RE-ZONE A 4.2 ACRE PORTION OF A 19.55 ACRE PARCEL FROM EXCLUSIVE FARM USE (EFU) TO SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (R-5). LOCATED AT 1548 19TH AVENUE (WASHINGTON COUNTY TAX LOT NOS. 1S4-1-400 AND 1S4 1AA-7200). APPLICANT: GALES CREEK TERRACE, LLC. PROPERTY OWNERS: RONALD AND WANDA RAU. FILE NO. ZC-07-01

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Phillips read Ordinance No. 2007-14 by title for second reading.

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

13. **PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2007-15 ADOPTING TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, MUNICIPAL CODE, AND ZONE AND LAND DIVISION ORDINANCES TO COMPLY WITH METRO'S NATURE IN NEIGHBORHOOD FUNCTIONAL PLAN REQUIREMENTS (OTHERWISE REFERRED TO AS GOAL 5). FILE NO. CPA-06-03, FILE NO. ZA-06-03; AND FILE NO. LDO-06-02**

Staff Report:

Holan requested Council consider continuing the above matter until the meeting of November 13, 2007, due to the hour.

Public Hearing:

At the consensus of Council, Mayor Kidd continued the Public Hearing to the meeting of November 13, 2007, at which time, Mayor Kidd advised public testimony would be accepted.

14. **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 presented various handouts pertaining to a letter received from the U.S. Department of Justice responding to Mr. Buchholz's concern pertaining to the Forest Grove Post Office not complying with the American Disability Act requirements; a letter received from the Forest Grove Market Center Office citing parking issues in the downtown area; a letter received from Senator Gordon Smith looking forward to meeting with elected officials at the upcoming League of Oregon Cities Conference; and several news article pertaining to Washington County refusing urban planning and Forest Grove's business district.

15. **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS:**

Johnston provided an update on the levy campaign, noting Woodfold-Marco Manufacturing is lending a building and signs promoting the levy will be

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displayed before the ballots are mailed on October 19, 2007.

Miller reported on the Committee for Citizen Involvement Periodic Review process, the Sisters Cities upcoming Sushi Class, and other various upcoming community events.

Thompson reported on a grant Ride Connection received.

Truax reported on the dedication celebration of the completion of the first portion of the facilities at Lincoln Park and Library grand opening and fundraiser, noting both events were a great success.

Uhing had nothing to report.

Mayor Kidd reported on various Metro and Washington County meetings and tours he attended and upcoming meetings and events he was planning to attend. Mayor Kidd reported on various community events, noting the Mayor's Ball and Sidewalk Chalk Art Fest were well-attended and successful events. In addition, Mayor Kidd reported on the upcoming League of Oregon Cities Conference, noting the City is hosting a meet-and-greet highlighting various businesses in Forest Grove. In conclusion, Mayor Kidd recognized Teri Koerner, Forest Grove Chamber of Commerce Director, who was present in the audience.

16. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Kidd adjourned the meeting at 10:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Anna D. Ruggles, CMC, City Recorder