

**CITY OF SILVERTON  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Silverton High School Library and Zoom Web Conference Platform**

**May 2, 2022 6:30 p.m.**

**I. OPENING CEREMONIES – Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance & Roll Call**

Mayor Palmer called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The City Council and staff were present both in person and through the virtual meeting platform Zoom. Mayor Palmer explained this meeting is being held in a hybrid format, pursuant to House Bill 2560 and City of Silverton Resolution 22-06, adopted March 7, 2022.

<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>	
<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	Mayor Kyle Palmer
<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	Council President Jason Freilinger
<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	Jim Sears
<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	Jess Miller
<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	Dana Smith
<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	Elvi Cuellar Sutton
<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	Crystal Neideigh

**Staff Present:**

City Manager, Ron Chandler; City Engineer, Bart Stepp; Community Development Director, Jason Gottgetreu; Chief of Police, Jim Anglemier; Public Works Director, Travis Sperle; Maintenance Division Supervisor, Mike Dahlberg; Assistant to the City Manager/City Clerk, Traci Nichols.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Councilor Freilinger moved to approve the minutes from the April 4, 2022 Regular Meeting and the April 18, 2022 Special Meeting. Councilor Sutton seconded. Motion passed, minutes approved.

**III. OATHS OF OFFICE/PUBLIC RECOGNITION**

Mayor Palmer read a proclamation, declaring May 15-21, 2022 Public Works Week.

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment received in the City Clerk’s office. No public comment on Zoom.

Bethany and Devon Patterson appeared before the Council regarding connection to City sewer. She requested assistance from the Council, regarding to a solution to connect their property to the City sewer system. This will be added to the June 6, 2022 agenda for further discussion.

**V. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS**

Silverton Chamber Executive Director Stacy Palmer spoke to Council. She indicated there are 4 new Chamber members this month. The business group is every Wednesday at 9am at Silver Falls Brewery. Speakers are scheduled through the beginning of July. The Chamber continues to work with partners in the North Marion communities on the traveling kiosk project, website for the region, and

with Travel Oregon's assistance, production of other deliverables for marketing in this area. Starting this month, the Chamber is working with North Marion partners on an entrepreneurial ecosystem project. This will create a stronger and more coordinated network of support for small businesses. 80 flower baskets are ordered, and they're on track to hang them in mid-May. Parking is a big topic these days. She has had several comments regarding how tight parking is getting. Members were surveyed, and about 40 surveys came in. The responses provided a clear picture of local business sentiment [regarding the parking in town].

## **VI. DISCUSSION/ACTION**

6.1 – SDC Development Credits – City Manager Ron Chandler turned discussion over to City Engineer Bart Stepp. Engineer Stepp indicated that back in October, Council had approved an agreement with Westrend Homes for improvements on Railway Avenue. The amount of SDC credits in that agreement was based on the engineering design that had been approved by Marion County (whose jurisdiction Railway Avenue falls in). Some design issues were found that the original engineering design didn't address, which created additional costs and additional work. He said that staff was asking for approval for additional SDC transportation credits for the upcoming subdivision. Councilor Freilinger motioned to authorize the City Manager to institute a change order adding \$29,324.76 in additional transportation SDC credits to Westrend Homes, LLC, for the Railway Avenue sidewalk improvement project. Councilor Sutton seconded. Motion passed.

6.2 – Coolidge McClaine Pathway Construction – Public Works Director Travis Sperle spoke, regarding this construction, which was budgeted for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year. He said that what type of pathway wasn't clear, as there was discussion regarding both asphalt and concrete. Maintenance Division Supervisor Mike Dahlberg spoke to Council regarding the 2 options for this project. He indicated that one option would involve Staff, and the second option would call upon an outside vendor. Councilor Smith inquired as to whether staff had looked at permeable options for paving. City staff and Councilor Smith engaged in a robust conversation over different types of paving material. Mayor Palmer had questions on some of the raised areas within the park, and how that would be addressed. Councilor Sears said that the asphalt wasn't ADA compliant from his perspective, and wanted to know what the longevity of asphalt would be – and how smooth the surface would be for someone who had ADA concerns. PW Director Sperle further discussed the different options, and the fact that staff was concerned with not damaging the trees surrounding the walkways. Councilor Freilinger asked about concrete/ADA primary paths, and then permeable surfaces outside that. Councilor Neideigh wondered how far down you would have to dig down to use a permeable surface. PW Director Sperle said the construction was basically the same. Councilor Sutton suggested doing main parts of the pathways, and budgeting for the others [next year]. She suggested pathways bringing ADA access to bathrooms, playgrounds and the pavilion. Mayor Palmer would like to see concrete over asphalt, but wouldn't like to see differing materials across the pathways. He's in favor of putting in what's there now [asphalt]. Councilor Sears thought concrete was a better option. He also liked Councilor Sutton's approach – do a little at a time. Mayor Palmer said it would look lovely to have concrete, but he would be voting against concrete (or for asphalt). Councilor Neideigh was concerned about the cost – she'd rather do it all at once. Councilor Sutton wondered what the longevity of asphalt would be. PW Director Sperle said the pathways had been there 30 years, but he can't tell how long asphalt would last. Councilor Smith motioned to replace all the pathways with new asphalt [and get a bandstand down there too!]. Councilor Sutton seconded. Councilor Sears voted against the motion. Motion passed.

6.3 – Resolution 22-11 – Public Contracting Purchasing Policy – City Manager Ron Chandler explained the changes in the policy, and the incorporation of several updates and existing policies. Councilor Freilinger motioned to approve and adopt Resolution 22-11, seconded by Councilor Sears. Motion passed.

6.4 – Old Mill Park Fencing – Councilor Smith moved to instruct staff to put in new field or no-climb fencing behind the existing manicured landscape from somewhere near the end of the black chain-link fence to the point described earlier by City Manager [in the slide presentation], roughly

where manicured landscape ends. Councilor Sutton seconded. .

**VII. CONSENT**

7.1 – Spacesaver Storage Solutions for Civic Center – Councilor Smith wished to pull this information from Consent for consideration. Councilor Miller motioned to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Spacesaver Specialties, Inc. to provide and install the lockers and storage systems for the Civic Center project, for \$317,422.00. Councilor Neideigh seconded. Motion passed.

**VIII. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

8.1 – Councilor Freilinger moved to appoint Susan Carter to the Environmental Management Committee for the term expiring February 6, 2024, and to appoint Elyce Hues to the Environmental Management Committee for the term expiring May 1, 2024. Councilor Sutton seconded. Motion passed.

**IX. CITY MANAGER UPDATE**

City Manager Ron Chandler brought up the upcoming Public Works Fair. The Pet Parade is May 21<sup>st</sup>. The candy has been purchased, and staff is adding balloons (300) with paw prints on them. Budget Committee had approved budget, which comes to Council in June for adoption. In addition to all the other day to day things staff does, 44 projects are being tracked by CM. There will be a projects tracker now, in addition to the issues tracker.

**X. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilor Sears had nothing. Councilor Smith said the manager of the Saturday Farmers Market had asked about reserving space for the summer market. After attending Solarize Silverton, she was excited to learn about work done by Seeds for the Sol, a non-profit out of Corvallis, and learn about their relationship with Sustainable Silverton. Councilor Miller is excited about the revitalization of the EMC, and being able to meet a quorum. He would like to take on the solarization project, and discuss options with the committee. He readdressed the Chamber's parking statements from earlier in the meeting. He would like to put on the EMC agenda a look at public transportation, and how it can be updated or revised to make predictable commutes more accessible. Councilor Neideigh cannot make the Pet Parade, as it falls on a work day. Councilor Sutton had nothing. Councilor Freilinger will be at the Pet Parade with his good dog, Chance, who will be sporting a new outfit. Also, remember to vote!! Mayor Palmer said he would be at the Pet Parade, with his bad dog, Piper.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

Councilor Sutton made a motion to adjourn, and Mayor Palmer adjourned the meeting at 8:29pm.

  
Respectfully submitted by \_\_\_\_\_

/s/Traci Nichols, Assistant to the City Manager/City Clerk