

Sherwood Special Committee – Regulation of Camping Ordinance – Third Draft

The City of Sherwood ordains as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 9.54 – Regulation of Camping – is hereby added to the Sherwood Municipal Code as follows:

9.54.010 - Purpose.

This Chapter is enacted to promote and protect the health, safety and welfare of the City’s residents as well as property within the City through the regulation of camping on or near areas open to the public as well as on or near vacant lots to address adverse impacts of such activities including littering; public urination; public defecation; public intoxication; theft of water and electricity; verbal and physical assaults; trespass onto adjacent public and private properties; vandalism; property damage; fire hazards; and harassment or intimidation of occupants, employees, and/or customers.

9.54.020 – Definitions

For the purposes of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

A. “Area Open To The Public” means all outdoor areas on private property within the City to which the public has access and includes but is not limited to private streets, alleyways and pedestrian ways, vacant or unimproved lots or parcels and the common areas such as parking lots and picnic areas of schools, medical facilities, apartment houses, office and industrial buildings, service stations, churches and retail shopping centers.

B. “Camp” or “Camping” means ~~for a period of time in excess of four (4) consecutive hours wherein an individual uses an Area Open To The Public as temporary quarters for the purposes of living, sleeping or residing~~ **OR** the use of an Area Open To The Public as temporary quarters for the purposes of living, sleeping or residing ~~between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m.~~. Such activities may include, but need not be limited to *any of the following*: (1) sleeping or making preparations to sleep, including the laying down of bedding for the purpose of sleeping; (2) the parking of any motor vehicle, including a motor home, recreational vehicle or trailer, for the apparent purpose of overnight occupancy; (3) storing personal belongings; (4) making any fire; and (5) carrying on cooking activities.

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9.54.030 – Regulation of Camping

Except as otherwise provided in this Chapter, no person shall Camp in any Area Open To The Public. Nothing in this Chapter prohibits a person from Camping in lawfully existing areas designated for Camping including campgrounds or recreational vehicle parks.

9.54.040 - Enforcement Responsibility and Authority.

The Sherwood Police Department and the City Manager or the Manager's Designee are jointly charged with the enforcement of this Chapter.

9.54.050 - Variances.

A. Any person may apply for:

1. A Class A variance to Camp in an Area Open To The Public for up to fourteen (14) days in duration; or
2. A Class B variance to Camp in an Area Open To The Public for fifteen (15) or more days in duration.

B. Any person, entity or organization may apply for a variance under subsection (A) on behalf of multiple individuals or person(s).

C. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Chapter, the Chief of Police, ~~or~~ City Manager, or their designee may permit a person to Camp in Areas Open To The Public provided: (1) an emergency situation exists necessitating the need to Camp in the Area Open To The Public; (2) the use of the Area Open To The Public for Camping purposes will not, on balance be unduly detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare; and (3) the owner or person or entity legally controlling occupancy of the Area Open To The Public has consented to the Camping.

9.54.060 - Variance Application.

A. An applicant for a variance shall submit the following information on a form approved by the City:

1. A reference to the provision in this Chapter from which the variance is sought;
2. The reason(s) why the variance is necessary;
3. A general description of the physical characteristics of the Area Open To The Public for which a variance is sought;
4. The variance's time period;
5. The signed consent from the owner or person or entity legally controlling occupancy of the Area Open To The Public for which the variance is sought;
6. Any other supporting information the City Manager or City Council may reasonably require to allow consideration of the conditions set forth in Section 9.52.100.

B. The applicant for a Class A variance shall submit the application to the City Manager or the Manager's designee. The applicant for a Class B variance shall submit the application to the City Recorder, who shall place the matter on the agenda for a forthcoming City Council meeting.

9.54.070 - Public Notification for Class B Variance.

The applicant for a Class B variance shall post notice along the nearest public road at the boundaries of the property containing the Area Open To The Public for which the variance is sought so that the notice is visible from the public road and publish notice thereof in a newspaper of general circulation in the city. Posted notice on the property shall be at least seven days prior to the public hearing with published notice completed at least four days prior to the hearing. Notice under this section shall state the date the council will consider the application, the nature and substance of the variance to be considered, and that written comments on the application may be filed with the City Recorder before the meeting at which the application is to be considered.

9.54.080 - Variance Review.

The City Manager or the Manager's designee or City Council may grant a variance, after considering the written application for variance and any written comments submitted when it appears the following conditions exist:

- A. There are unnecessary or unreasonable hardships or practical difficulties which can be most effectively relieved by granting the variance, and;
- B. The granting of the application will not be unduly detrimental to the public health or safety or welfare.

9.54.090 - Variance Decision.

- A. The City Manager or the Manager's designee shall grant or deny a Class A variance within three days of receipt of a complete variance application, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.
- B. The City Council shall grant or deny a Class B variance within thirty (30) days of receipt of the application, and may, on its own motion, hold a public hearing on the application before deciding to grant or deny the variance.
- C. The City Manager or City Council may impose such limitations, conditions and safeguards as deemed appropriate, so that the spirit of the chapter will be observed, and the public safety, health and welfare are secured. A violation of any such condition or limitation shall constitute a violation of this chapter.

D. A decision to grant or deny the variance shall be in writing and shall state the reasons for the decision. The City Council or City Manager shall notify the applicant of the decision and shall make it available to any person who has submitted written comments on the application.

9.54.100 - Review.

The decision of the City Manager or the City Council to grant or deny a variance is final. Such decisions may be reviewed pursuant to ORS 34.010 to 34.100 (writ of review).

9.54.110 – Civil Penalties.

A person who violates any provision of this Chapter is subject to a civil penalty of no more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for each day a violation occurs.

Sherwood Special Committee – Regulation of Business Hours – Third Draft

The City of Sherwood ordains as follows:

Chapter 5.04 of the Sherwood Municipal Code is hereby amended by adding section 5.04.100 to read as follows:

5.04.100 Retail Sales ~~and Personal Services~~ Business Hours

A. Purpose and Findings

1. This section regulating the business hours of retail sales ~~and service~~ businesses in the City of Sherwood is designed to:
 - a. Improve the quality of life for residents of the City particularly during the late night/early morning hours;
 - b. Decrease the incidence of arrests, criminal activity and/or nuisance complaints associated with retail sales ~~and personal service~~ businesses during the late night/early morning hours, ~~which the City believes has individually and collectively an adverse impact on the public health, welfare and safety;~~
 - c. Discourage activities compromising the public safety of City residents during the late night/early morning hours; and
 - d. Provide for efficient, effective and economical provision of scarce government resources in addressing each of the aforementioned purposes.
2. From input provided by City residents and the Sherwood Police Department, the people of Sherwood find uniform closing times for retail sales ~~and personal services~~ businesses located within the City will:
 - a. Permit the City's ~~limited~~ police force on duty during the late night/early morning hours to focus its resources on providing protection to *the City residential neighborhoods rather than responding to shoplifting and other police related calls associated with and that often occur at retail sales and personal service businesses;*
 - b. Protect the health, safety and welfare of employees of retail sales and personal services businesses during times in which there *may be* ~~are~~ limited police resources available;
 - c. Reduce the incidence of loitering, public drinking, disorderly conduct and related criminal activities including littering, drug dealing, noise disturbances and other unlawful acts that *may* occur when retail sales and personal service businesses are permitted to remain open during the late night/early morning hours, ~~leading to a concomitant reduction in the need for police presence at retail sales and personal service businesses;~~
 - d. Discourage crowds from congregating not only on the main streets and thoroughfares but on adjoining residential streets, lots and parking areas which prevents

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neighborhood residents from sleeping, safely walking their streets, and enjoying the peace and quiet of their homes.

B. Definitions. For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

1. "Gasoline Filling Station" means establishments primarily engaged in the sale of gasoline, diesel fuel, propane gas or kerosene where the retail sale of other goods or merchandise comprises less than twenty percent (20%) of the establishment's overall annual sales, provided that a gasoline filling station affiliated with a retail sales business may be deemed a separate entity for the purposes of this section.
2. "Personal Service Businesses" means establishments primarily engaged in providing retail services involving the care of a person or his or her goods or apparel including but not limited to movie theaters, laundering, shoe repair, hair and body care, tailoring, travel agents, spas, tanning salons and nutrition/weight loss centers. Direct medical care from establishments such as hospitals, urgent care facilities, nursing homes and long-term care facilities is not a personal service.
3. "Restaurant" means an establishment where the primary activity is the preparation of food and beverages for sale and consumption on or off premises and at which customer tables or counters are typically available. Such an establishment may take phone orders for food and may deliver food to customers off-premises. If such an establishment is also engaged in selling merchandise to the general public for personal or household use or consumption, to qualify as a restaurant at least 80% of the establishment's overall annual sales must be from the sale of prepared food and beverages for consumption on or off premises.
4. "Retail Sales Businesses" means establishments engaged in selling merchandise to the general public for personal or household use or consumption and rendering services incidental to the sale of such merchandise including but not limited to specialty shops and boutiques.

C. All retail sales ~~and personal services~~ businesses located within the City may not be open to the public for business between 1:00 a.m. and [5:00 ~~OR 6:00~~] a.m. daily.

D. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the limitations in this section do not apply to the following:

1. Restaurants;
2. Gasoline Filling Stations;
3. *Personal Service Businesses*; or
4. The sale of prescription or non-prescription (over the counter) medications in drugstores and pharmacies, provided that the sale of other merchandise by a drugstore or pharmacy to the general public for personal or household use or consumption prohibited by subsection (C) is not permitted by this subsection. **OR**

Establishments primarily engaged in the sale of prescription medications where at least 50% of the establishment's annual total retail sales can be attributed to the product class of prescription drugs.

E. Enforcement responsibility and authority. The Sherwood Police Department and the City Manager or designee shall jointly enforce this chapter.

F. Temporary Late Night Business Permits.

1. A retail sales or ~~personal services~~ business may receive a temporary permit to remain open to the public for business between 1:00 a.m. and ~~{5:00 or 6:00}~~ a.m. or any time period between those hours.
2. An applicant for a temporary permit authorized by subsection (F)(1) shall submit to the City Manager or the Manager's designee in writing on a form provided by the City:
 - a. The name and location of the retail sales or ~~personal services~~ business;
 - b. The dates and times for which the permit is sought, provided that the dates need not be consecutive dates;
 - c. The reason or reasons why the permit is necessary;
 - d. The name and contact information of the owner(s), manager(s) or other individual(s) who will be responsible for the business's operations during the time period in which the permit is sought;
 - e. Any other supporting information which the City Manager may reasonably require to allow consideration of the conditions set forth in subsection (F)(3) below.
3. The City Manager or the Manager's designee, after consideration of the written application, shall be responsible for granting or denying a request for temporary permit. The City Manager or the Manager's designee may grant a permit when it appears that the following conditions exist:
 - a. There is a temporary business need, such as extended holiday hour shopping events, black Friday sales, special product releases or opening nights of special movies, that necessitates the business remaining open to the public for business during the hours of 1:00 a.m. and ~~{5:00 or 6:00}~~ a.m.; and
 - b. The granting of the permit will not be unreasonably detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare.
4. The City Manager or the Manager's designee shall grant or deny an application for a temporary late night permit within five days of receipt of a complete application, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.
5. When granting a permit under this section, the City Manager or the Manager's designee may place conditions or limits on the permit that are necessary to protect employees, customers, and members of the public inside or outside the premises from disruptive conduct, criminal activity, or health, safety or fire hazards. Such conditions may include but need not be limited to the creation of a security plan and/or the hiring of private

security guards. A violation of any such condition or limitation shall constitute a violation of this section

6. A decision to grant or deny a permit application shall be in writing and shall state the reasons for such decision. The decision of the City Manager or the Manager's designee is final and may be reviewed only pursuant to a writ filed under ORS Chapter 34.
- ~~7. No permit granted under this section shall exceed thirty (30) days.~~

G. Penalties.

1. Civil Penalties.

- a. Unless specifically limited elsewhere in the Sherwood Municipal Code, the city manager is authorized to seek civil penalties for a violation of this section in amount(s) of up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for each day a violation of this section occurs in either the municipal court or another court of competent jurisdiction. In the event the City Manager seeks enforcement in a court other than the municipal court, the manager may seek recovery of the City's reasonable attorneys' fees.
- b. If the enforcement action is brought in the municipal court, the determination of the municipal court is final and reviewable only as provided by the terms of ORS Chapter 34.010 to 34.100 (writ of review).
- c. When determining the amount of any civil penalty the municipal court or any other court of competent jurisdiction shall consider, at a minimum, the following factors and set out in its determination those believed to apply:
 - i. Prior violations and whether those violations were remedied in a timely manner;
 - ii. The magnitude of the violation;
 - iii. Whether the violation was repeated or continuous; and
 - iv. Whether the violation was intentional.

2. **Injunctive Relief.** The City may seek equitable relief against retail sales or personal services businesses that have failed to comply with this section or violated any provision thereof.

3. **Remedies Not Exclusive.** The remedies provided by this subsection are cumulative and not exclusive and are in addition to other rights, remedies, and penalties available to the City under other provisions of law.

City Council Meeting Date: August 6, 2013

Agenda Item: Public Hearing

TO: Sherwood City Council

FROM: Meerta Meyer, Chairperson on behalf of the Special Committee
Through: Tom Pessemier, Assistant City Manager

SUBJECT: Proposed Ordinance: Regulation of Business Hours

Background: City Council heard comments from the community related to ordinances citizens proposed to establish new business regulations. City Council adopted Resolution 2013-034 on June 18, 2013 creating a special committee to advise City Council on possible referral to voters of ordinances establishing new business regulations. City Council appointed members to the committee on July 2, 2013 per Resolution 2013-035.

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Proposed Ordinance: The Special Committee respectfully submits to City Council, for favorable review, proposed language for a Regulation of Business Hours Ordinance.

Necessity: The regulation of business hours is designed to preserve the quality of life during late night and early morning hours, discourage activities compromising public safety during late night and early morning hours, and to provide for efficient, effective, and economical provision of government resources.

Considerations:

1. To preserve livability; business hours impact such things quiet enjoyment of neighboring residences.
2. Responsible and proactive decision making minimizes negative impacts to people and property.
3. Residential and business growth; as Sherwood grows its residential and business populace, preserving the health, safety, and welfare of employees and residents is instrumental in promoting a healthy community.

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4. Public safety; minimizing the incidence of loitering, public drinking, disorderly conduct and other unlawful acts.
5. Special events; this is addressed within the proposed language providing city staff the opportunity to grant a temporary permit for extended late night business permits.
6. The special committee reviewed ordinances from other municipalities including Beaverton, Oregon.
7. Public comment; we received testimony largely favoring the adoption of policy related to regulation of business hours. Public testimony submitted to the special committee, via email, is attached to the general report.
8. Professional experience and guidance from Chief Groth, Chief of Police in the City of Sherwood. The Chief spent nearly 90 minutes with the special committee in a question/answer format and also took time to confirm the following information related specifically to the regulation of business hours:

* The Chief indicates the regulation of business hours could be a preventative measure in limiting behavioral incidents. He also indicates "any business that is open all night has the potential to create calls for service and certain types of self-initiated activities. Just because a business is closed, however, does not eliminate the need for services, as it is still a location that needs protecting and will still have the potential to create certain self-initiated activities".

* The Chief indicates as Sherwood is growing and with additional development they (the police) will need additional resources not available at this time – he said "police can't be everywhere and working in the dark is very different than working during the day". He indicates, "the investment must be maintained and it is not about the name of the business, but about a growing community. The most mundane of activities, like checking a business, is very different at night than it is in full daylight with people around".

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* The Chief indicates community policing/working with Sherwood businesses and residents builds a level of safety.

When asked more about community policing, the Chief agreed with the U.S Department of Justice, with what he says is a textbook definition of community policing, "Community policing is, in essence, a collaboration between the police and the community that identifies and solves community problems. With the police no longer the sole guardians of law and order, all members of the community become active allies in the effort to enhance the safety and quality of neighborhoods. Community policing has far-reaching implications. The expanded outlook on crime control and prevention, the new emphasis on making community members active participants in the process of

problem solving, and the patrol officers' pivotal role in community policing require profound changes within the police organization. The neighborhood patrol officer, backed by the police organization, helps community members mobilize support and resources to solve problems and enhance their quality of life. Community members voice their concerns, contribute advice, and take action to address these concerns. Creating a constructive partnership will require the energy, creativity, understanding, and patience of all involved. Reinvigorating communities is essential if we are to deter crime and create more vital neighborhoods. In some communities, it will take time to break down barriers of apathy and mistrust so that meaningful partnerships can be forged. Trust is the value that underlies and links the components of community partnership and problem solving. A foundation of trust will allow police to form close relationships with the community that will produce solid achievements. Without trust between police and citizens, effective policing is impossible" though he says this textbook definition doesn't really explain what community policing looks like.

The Chief was clear, "the whole philosophy and practice of Community Policing has proven to be successful over the years and through much research. Community Policing, as delivered the last couple of decades (maybe more?) by the Sherwood Police department has driven down the crime rate and what we are doing now keeps it down. A low crime rate, and a high level of self-initiated activity by Sherwood Police, equals safety and people feel it".

Financial Impact: Adoption of this ordinance will have minimal impact on city resources.

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Specifically, public testimony suggested a ban on "big box" or "large retail" 24 hour businesses.

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Proposed Ordinance: The Special Committee respectfully submits to City Council, for favorable review, proposed language for a Regulation of Camping Ordinance.

Necessity: The regulation of camping will promote and protect the health, safety, and welfare of residents and properties within the City of Sherwood.

Considerations:

1. Regulations regarding camping are not clearly defined within the City of Sherwood municipal code.
2. Responsible and proactive decision making minimizes negative impacts to people and property.
3. Special events and emergencies; these items are both addressed within the proposed language providing city staff the opportunity to grant a variance.
4. The special committee reviewed ordinances from other municipalities including Hillsboro, Oregon, Gilroy, California, Flag Staff, Arizona, and Van Horn, Texas.

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5. Public comment; we received testimony in favor of adopting policy related to camping regulations within the city.
6. Staff support; we received testimony from the Chief of Police who is supportive of camping regulations within the city.

Financial Impact: Adoption of this ordinance will have minimal impact on city resources.

City Council Meeting Date: August 6, 2013

Agenda Item: Public Hearing

TO: Sherwood City Council
FROM: Meerta Meyer, Chairperson on behalf of the Special Committee
Through: Tom Pessemier, Assistant City Manager
SUBJECT: Proposed Ordinance: Hazardous Substance Regulations

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Proposed Ordinance: The Special Committee respectfully submits to City Council, for favorable review, proposed language for a city wide Hazardous Substance Regulations ordinance.

Necessity: The release of hazardous substances into the environment may present imminent and substantial threats to public health, safety, and welfare.

Considerations:

1. State and federal agencies do not always have the ability to respond immediately to the release of hazardous substances that threaten public health, safety, and welfare.
2. The City of Sherwood does not currently have language within its municipal code to quickly respond to or take action related to the release of hazardous substances.
3. Sustainability is important in preserving economy, society, and environment.
4. The special committee reviewed ordinances from other municipalities including Eugene, Oregon and Boulder, Colorado.
5. Public comment; we received testimony from Sherwood residents in favor of adopting policy to better safeguard the environment.

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Financial Impact: In the event the City of Sherwood undertakes any action(s) to respond to a hazardous release and/or engages in the removal of such a release, the City will incur an immediate expense. As provided in the proposed ordinance language, the responsible party is jointly, severally, and strictly liable for removal actions incurred by the city.

City Council Meeting Date: August 6, 2013

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TO: Sherwood City Council
FROM: Meerta Meyer, Chairperson on behalf of the Special Committee
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Necessity: Business regulations act as a basic framework supporting the City of Sherwood's goals of providing services and infrastructure to support the highest quality of life for our residents, businesses, and visitors in a fiscally responsible manner.

Considerations: A proactive, community focused approach is necessary to preserve and promote livability, community well being, citizen involvement/civic participation, public healthy, safety, and wellness, local character and prosperity, and environmental sustainability.

The special committee discussed a number of issues, including, but not limited to the following:

1. Overnight camping in areas open to the public
2. Dilapidated vehicles, other nuisances, and general parking concerns
3. Fire arms and ammunition sales and alcohol sales
4. Storage and use of pesticides

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5. Hazardous substances discharge and removal
6. Waste production and removal for businesses within Sherwood
7. How to better promote public safety and livability within Sherwood which led to discussion related to regulating business hours
8. General discussion including, but not limited to, construction of new buildings and developments, traffic concerns, review of new business and development applications
9. How to ensure and encourage living wage jobs within the city related to various wage and benefit ordinances
10. Development of a Sick Leave Ordinance

General Findings of the Special Committee:

1. Overnight camping is an issue we explored at length; ordinance language has been prepared for Council review.
2. Dilapidated vehicles, other nuisances, and general parking concerns are a concern; the special committee collectively encourages City Council to engage the Sherwood Police Department to review and modify current Nuisance Code language to include additional language as it relates to such things as dilapidated vehicles and chronic nuisance properties within the City of Sherwood. Mayor Middleton suggested, due to our limited time in crafting other ordinance language and because the Sherwood Police Department already engages in modifications and improvements to city code, it may be in the public interest to defer this issue to the police department.
3. In regard to the sale of fire arms, ammunition, and alcoholic sales there are both state and federal preemptions that led to the dismissal of these discussions.
4. In regard to the use and storage of pesticides, there are both state and federal preemptions that led to the dismissal of this discussion.
5. Hazardous substance discharge and removal is an issue we explored at length; ordinance language has been prepared for Council review.
6. Waste production and removal for businesses within Sherwood is addressed within the City's current agreement with Pride Disposal; this led to the dismissal of further discussion.
7. The promotion and preservation of public safety and livability in Sherwood is an issue we explored at length; ordinance language regarding regulation of business hours has been prepared for Council review.
8. The committee raised several concerns regarding such issues as construction of new buildings and developments, traffic concerns, review of new business and development applications – all of which fall under Chapter 16 of the City of Sherwood's Municipal Code;

a lengthy discussion related to these items was dismissed because the City's land use regulations require the City to follow a specific process which includes a 35 day notice to the state and hearings before both the Planning Commission and City Council.

The committee encourages Council to promote and encourage staff and existing (or newly appointed) boards and committees to continue discussions and review of existing code language including but not limited to items such as:

- A comprehensive review of the traffic study language and Capacity Allocation Program (CAP) language
 - Consider modifying criteria in the review of new business or new development applications (potentially include such things as economic impact analysis or cost benefit analysis, review of current vacancy rates to determine need of new business/additional development, review of existing business mix before approving like business models/similar uses within the City, etc)
 - Review guidelines related to overall development/new construction to promote and encourage environmentally responsible building practices
 - Fostering economic development within the City of Sherwood
9. In regard to ordinances promoting and producing living wage jobs, there are both state and federal preemptions related to wages and benefits ;this led to dismissal of these discussions.

The committee agrees, in an effort to better promote and produce living wage jobs the City of Sherwood has great opportunity to explore such things as small business development and promotion.

10. As it relates to crafting a sick leave ordinance, the committee agrees crafting such an ordinance would require significantly more time and would require considerable public involvement; this led the committee to dismiss drafting a sick leave ordinance.

Financial Impact: There is limited financial impact to the City of Sherwood should the proposed ordinance language be approved by City Council and adopted by public vote.

Recommendation(s): The Special Committee respectfully submits to City Council the following potential ballot ordinances for favorable review and consideration:

1. Hazardous Substance Regulations Ordinance
2. Regulation of Camping Ordinance
3. Regulation of Business Hours Ordinance

Attachments:

Public written testimony received by Special Committee
Special Committee Meeting Agendas
Sherwood Police Chief Groth, Clarification of Testimony

Public Testimony Received Via Email to Special Committee

**From: Elizabeth Farnum [mailto:bbfarnum@mac.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2013 4:46 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: Large Retailer and Hours- Feedback**

Good Afternoon,

I am writing to ask that you seriously consider the hours that large retailers are open in the city of Sherwood. As this is a family city and promoted that way, I do not believe that any large retailer needs to be open 24 hours. Nobody NEEDS those hours. If they do, there are plenty of other stores that are open 24 hours outside of family friendly Sherwood.

I think reasonable hours for employees and the area surrounding these large stores are as follows.

Monday 8:00 am – 10:00 pm
Tuesday 8:00 am – 10:00 pm
Wednesday 8:00 am – 10:00 pm
Thursday 8:00 am – 10:00 pm
Friday 8:00 am – 10:00 pm
Saturday 8:00 am – 10:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am – 9:00 pm

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter which will affect our city for years to come.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth W. Farnum
16933 SW Cobblestone Dr.
Sherwood, OR 97140

**From: Ty Merlock [mailto:Ty.Merlock@evrazna.com]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 5:09 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: 24 hours**

I don't believe Sherwood needs 24 hour businesses. We have a 24 hour Walgreens in Tigard for prescription issues. In my opinion, that is the only need late at night for anybody. 2am is a good hour for businesses to close in Sherwood.

Ty Merlock
EVRAZ – HSS

From: Stephanie [mailto:ssass12106@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 5:05 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: Business Ordinances

I do not believe the city of Sherwood needs any businesses that are open 24 hours a day. I haven't seen a need or a want, for a business to operate 24 hours a day, here in Sherwood. If there was a need, it would have presented itself prior to the current situation.

If a business NEEDS extended hours, I believe they should be closed between midnight and 6:00am.

Thank you,
Stephanie Sass
97140

Sent from my iPhone

From: Jared Amato [mailto:jared.amato@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 4:55 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: City of Sherwood and large retailers

Good day,

I do not think the City of Sherwood needs to have large retailers open 24 hours. We currently have (3) large retailers (Albertsons, Safeway and Target) that do business in Sherwood and I have found for my needs that these are adequate in the terms of choice and hours of operations. I do not feel that adding a 4th option is going to improve my life or the livability in the city. I think hours of operations from 6 am to 1 am is reasonable.

Thank you fro letting me voice my opinion on this matter. I love living here and the great community we have. I have read so many negative charges against Walmart and the disapproval of so many communities across the nation that it scares me to think of what our wonderful town will be after the dust settles.

Respectfully,
Jared D. Amato

From: Steve Fisher [mailto:fishersdf@me.com]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 4:33 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: The Future of our city

I am writing to you today because I am concerned with the direction the city is headed in regards to large retail development.

I have been a Sherwood resident for 13 years so I am familiar with the politics that allowed developers to pass the laws needed for them to not disclose the tenants of proposed commercial properties. This political action was passed in order to allow property owners amnesty from the old laws. If there wasn't a charter change back in the day the citizens of Sherwood would have been informed and been able to have a voice on the decision to develop properties such as Langer Farms. Back when that law was passed they were telling us that a development similar to Bridgeport Village was on the slate. I don't think you would find the same resistance to such development if that was indeed the case.

Please bring to the table and allow for a public vote weather or not Sherwood should allow 24 hour stores, camping, stores who employ employees and do not provide health care. We voted for a mayor who wants transparency and we expect the same from the rest of the city administration.

Steve Fisher

Please excuse any spelling errors, This e-mail was composed on my iPhone

From: nxtaylo@aol.com [mailto:nxtaylo@aol.com]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 4:22 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: What I think the special committee should focus on for \$60,000 plus dollars.

Meerta Meyer
Chairperson Sherwood Special Committee

Please be sure the special committee knows my opinion.

I am one of the many who signed the Fair Wages Petition. I understand the committee has limited time.

1. Sherwood does not need travelers camping or parking 24 hours a day 7 days a week in any large retail or construction site within the city limits of Sherwood. Period.
2. Sherwood does need to address the hazardous waste issue to be sure our needs meet or exceed the current standards. Sherwood has tolerated dumping long enough. We have better law for dogs in the park leaving a mess! It should not be beyond this committee to use common sense and agree on something.
3. Limits on hours of operation. Special committee this is a No Brainer. Pick a two to four hour window and let the town rest. Even the bible address this! Major religions take a day off, the town will not fall apart with a two hour ban.

In closing, many eyes are on this special committee, please do something. In the many hours everyone of you has spent researching and listen to opinions it would be an out right shame to do

nothing. Make your time count and make our voices heard. We are the voters, we are taxpayers, we shop and we want something for our money.

Nancy Taylor
Sherwood, OR
97140

From: Tina Silver [mailto:silvercam96@frontier.com]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 4:15 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: Opinions from SCAC

1. Do you think the City of Sherwood needs to have large retailers open 24 hours? (this would NOT include restaurants, pharmacies, medical providers, and gas stations) **No**
2. If you do not think we need 24 hour retailers open, what do you think are reasonable opening hours and closing hours? Do you think closing at 1am is reasonable? Do you think opening at 5am or 6am is reasonable? (which one?) If you have a different preference, please let them know. **Curfew hours would be a good start. Midnight to 6:00 AM closure. I have lived in Sherwood for 13 years, and never needed anything (retail or not) after midnight. If I needed a pharmacy, I would go to Tigard Walgreens. Yeah, it's a little drive, but not enough to make me want something to stay open in Sherwood.**

From: Michelle Thomas [mailto:mrsthomas67@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 4:11 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Cc: Michelle Thomas
Subject: 24 Hour Stores within Sherwood city limits

Hello,

1. **Do you think the City of Sherwood needs to have large retailers open 24 hours?** No
2. **If you do not think we need 24 hour retailers open, what do you think are reasonable opening hours and closing hours?** I think the following are more than reasonable opening and closing hours for a retailer:

Monday	8:00 am – 10:00 pm
Tuesday	8:00 am – 10:00 pm
Wednesday	8:00 am – 10:00 pm
Thursday	8:00 am – 10:00 pm
Friday	8:00 am – 10:00 pm
Saturday	8:00 am – 10:00 pm
Sunday	8:00 am – 9:00 pm

These are the operating hours for Target in Sherwood and seem to be more than reasonable.

Thank you and let me know if you have any questions.

Michelle Thomas
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503.610.1615

From: Julie Fairman [mailto:julesverne2000@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 2:51 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: 24 hour stores

Hi Sylvia,

Just wanted to weigh in on the topic of large 24 hour retailers.

No, I do not think Sherwood needs 24 hour retailers.

I think retailers closing by midnight and re-opening at 6AM seems perfectly appropriate.

Thanks for gathering opinions!

Julie Fairman
Sherwood Resident

From: Karin Calde [mailto:karin@calde.us]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 2:50 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: City ordinances

Regarding the city ordinances, Sherwood does not need to have retailers open 24 hours. It is more than reasonable to limit retailer store hours to 6am-11pm. This gives most people with alternative work schedules and late-night travelers access to the store, but limits traffic moving through Sherwood at night time.

I also think it is of paramount importance to enact laws that safeguard our environment, so hazardous waste disposal laws need to be put to voter approval.

Thank you,
Karin Calde

From: Skye Boughey [mailto:skyeboughey@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 2:47 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: Ordinance input for tonight's meeting

Hello Sylvia,

Please see my thoughts in blue on the below questions:

1. Do you think the City of Sherwood needs to have large retailers open 24 hours? (this would NOT include restaurants, pharmacies, medical providers, and gas stations)

In short, NO. As long as we have gas stations and medical treatment available, I don't believe there is a good reason to have large retailers open 24 hours. Sherwood does not need to be a hub of activity during the overnight hours. We do not want to become a town like Beaverton. (At least I don't.) I also don't believe our police and fire infrastructure is adequately funded or prepared to support this.

2. If you do not think we need 24 hour retailers open, what do you think are reasonable opening hours and closing hours? Do you think closing at 1am is reasonable? Do you think opening at 5am or 6am is reasonable? (which one?) If you have a different preference, please let them know.

My preference for hours of operation for any retailers (other than restaurants, gas stations, and medical) would be either 12pm - 5am, or 1am - 6am. I would also like to see a limited time frame on when large retailers can accept shipments (especially those near neighborhoods). I can't imagine what it's like to try and sleep with the noise of huge tractor trailers making deliveries at all hours of the night.

I am also in support of a ban on any type of overnight camping in business parking lots. Special permits could be issued for special events, i.e. Robin Hood Festival, Crusin Sherwood, etc., or even written into the ordinance. Overnight camping opens us up to the possibility for more trouble with crime and etc .

Thanks for receiving my input.

Best Regards,

Skye Boughey

From: Kelly Freuler [mailto:kellyfreuler@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 2:33 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: Committee questions

Hi,

1. Do you think the City of Sherwood needs to have large retailers open 24 hours? (this would NOT include restaurants, pharmacies, medical providers, and gas stations)

No.

2. If you do not think we need 24 hour retailers open, what do you think are reasonable opening hours and closing hours? Do you think closing at 1am is reasonable? Do you think opening at 5am or 6am is reasonable? (which one?) If you have a different preference, please let them know.

Depending on the noise level and the type of business, 6am should be reasonable for opening. Given the nature of our town there is no reason retail needs to stay open past 11 pm.

Thanks!

From: Pamela Gotham [mailto:gotham.pamela@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 1:24 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: Wal Mart

Dear Ms. Murphy,

Sherwood is a dynamic community with a wide variety of business. We have Target, Costco, Home Depot, Safeway, Fred Meyer and Albertsons close to us. There are 100's of small businesses that will gain more profit in or close to Sherwood if we have an opportunity to attract more potential buyers. I fail to see what the issue is with Wal Mart. It is a business, willing to pay taxes and employ people. Our economy is not strong. People need jobs. How can employment be a problem. McDonalds does not hire 40 hour a week staff and we are not upset about that. If we allow any of these ordinances to take affect Wal Mart will not be damaged. The damage will occur to our local companies like Shari's, Roses Deli, Copper Creek, Denv and Chevron. Some of the health care requirements mentioned are not legal as PACCA regulations over ride anything I have read here. I love Sherwood, but growth is going to occur. We should embrace it and support it. I moved here for a reason, and even if it was to enjoy a more relaxed atmosphere, I do not have a right to tell anyone else they can't move here because I am already here.

Pamela Gotham

From: Amy Miller Juve [mailto:juvea@ohsu.edu]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 1:09 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: request for special committee

Hi,

I am responding to the request posted on the Sherwood Community Action Page:

- 1) The city does not need large retailers open 24 hours a day
- 2) If the retailer is carrying groceries I think it is reasonable to have them open until midnight and open back up again at 5 am.

Thanks,
Amy

From: Dave Emmons [mailto:prodispatchservice@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 12:53 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: 24 hour

Hi Sylvia:

I am not opposed to a 24 hour business. Albertsons and Safeway both started out as 24 hour businesses. Walmart will start as a 24 hour business and see that it is not practical, and scale back their hours.

Thanks,

Dave

From: Karen Cherry [mailto:orblonde@msn.com]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 12:24 PM
To: committee special
Cc: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: 24 hour retailers

I am e-mailing you today in response to the following Facebook post by the Sherwood Community Action Committee:

CALL TO ACTION!

Please email: murphys@sherwoodoregon.gov today (before 5pm) and let the special committee know how you feel about the following questions:

1. Do you think the City of Sherwood needs to have large retailers open 24 hours? (this would NOT include restaurants, pharmacies, medical providers, and gas stations)
2. If you do not think we need 24 hour retailers open, what do you think are reasonable opening hours and closing hours? Do you think closing at 1am is reasonable? Do you think opening at 5am or 6am is reasonable? (which one?) If you have a different preference, please let them know.

Please share this information with anyone you think might have an opinion.

Regarding #1: I do not feel that our community requires any retailers (large or small) to be open 24 hours. I can see an exception made for pharmacies, medical providers, and possibly gas stations. I suppose restaurants could fall in there as a general rule, however I don't really see a need for a 24 hour restaurant in Sherwood. But, that's my opinion, and I do not have an opposition to any of those categories being excluded from the 24-hour rule.

I definitely do not see a reason for retailers to be open 24 hours. There is nothing anyone needs in the wee hours of the morning that can't wait. Being open during those hours of the morning is just asking for trouble. We are hardly a city that doesn't sleep. Most of Oregon is in bed near the 2:00 hour as the liquor laws of our state require bars to close at that hour. With Sherwood being, largely, a "family town" most of its residents are asleep even earlier.

Regarding #2: By closing retail doors at 1:00 AM (at the latest), and opening at 6:00 AM, the vast majority of our community will not be inconvenienced, and this is perfectly reasonable. Additionally, the local people who work at those retailers will enjoy a better quality of life by being able to sleep during a "normal" sleeping time for this area. The opportunity for retail crime will be removed, which will reduce prices that typically go up when a store has "free" merchandise leaving its stores, and police can focus on actual crimes around the area instead of responding to petty theft in a retailer.

Additional thoughts: I would caution the Special Committee to allow for "special circumstances" to be made to this rule. Not a permanent rule or exemption for any retailer... but for special events. For example: Black Friday. Some retailers are open earlier and/or later than normal business hours for this date. I think certain dates should be able to be either noted in the rule and/or applied for as a single event exception by the retailer.

I would also be wary of leaving "loophole" verbiage in the rule. Could a retail establishment remain open 24 hours if there is a pharmacy inside? What if there's a restaurant inside? The verbiage needs to be clear enough to ensure that retailers cannot be open 24 hours, even if the categories contained within are allowed. I would hope that, because of their inclusion in the retailer, that they would be subject to the retailer rule.

Thank you for considering public opinion on this issue.

Karen Cherry
Sherwood Resident

From: Dawn Pastores [mailto:dawn@pastoresfamily.com]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 12:08 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: Hours of operation

Hello.

I do not believe Sherwood needs a 24 hour store. Reasonable operating hours to me is 7a-11pm. Second would be 6a-11pm.

Dawn Pastores
Sent from my iPhone

From: Sean Garland [mailto:seanrgarland@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 12:04 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: Special Committee questions

Hello Sylvia - In response to the request from the SCAC, I am providing my opinion on the following questions.

1. I do not believe that Sherwood needs, or would benefit from having 24-hour "big box" stores.
2. I believe that a 1am closing time is reasonable for retailers, and would be amenable to even looking at an 11pm closing time.

I do not see Sherwood as a "24 hour" town, and therefore do not see the need to have establishments open throughout the evening. Having Shari's, convenience stores and gas stations open make sense, but retail establishments do not need to be open during the night.

Thanks for your consideration.

Sean Garland
14711 SW Brooke Ct.
Sherwood OR 97140

From: Robert Lake [mailto:rrlake@comcast.net]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 10:34 AM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: City of Sherwood

Sylvia,

In regards to the 24 hr. issue that is currently being reviewed by the special commission I feel it is mandatory to have restricted hrs of operation for big box retailers (excluding restaurants, pharmacy's , gas stations and medical providers.)

In my opinion the hours of operation should be anytime after 5 or 6 am to no later than 10 pm .

Thanks
Bob Lake

Food Concept Consultants LLC
Sherwood, Oregon 97140

Robert Lake
President
rrlake@comcast.net

From: Debbie Price [mailto:pf6@comcast.net]
Sent: Sunday, July 28, 2013 4:35 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: hours of store operations--Walmart

Hello, I am writing you to let you know I do not like the idea of ANY store being open 24 hours here in Sherwood. We have a few and I feel that is enough. Regarding Walmart coming in, I feel they should have the same hours of operation that Target, Safeway, Home Depot and Albertson's have. If they want to open a little earlier.. maybe on that end. Closing super late into the morning hours only allows kids to hang out and get in trouble... or troubled people to come and start something. I also detest the idea of motor homes being able to park over night in that lot. We are sickened about how this whole process was done, and I am glad to see that residents have joined forces to make sure Sherwood's future is protected and consisitent.

I am also a huge fan of the fair wages ordinance that is on the table. We teach our children all men are created equal... well all business owners and employers should be equal in how their employees are treated...

Thank you for your time,

~Debbie Price

From: Tyson Thomas [mailto:tysonathomas@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 3:53 PM
To: Sylvia Murphy
Subject: 24 Hour Stores within Sherwood city limits

Hello,

1. Do you think the City of Sherwood needs to have large retailers open 24 hours? No

2. If you do not think we need 24 hour retailers open, what do you think are reasonable opening hours and closing hours? I think the following are more than reasonable opening and closing hours for a retailer:

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These are the operating hours for Target in Sherwood and seem to be more than reasonable.

Thank you and let me know if you have any questions.

Note: Two additional letters were received via email from: Arcadia Security and The Springs Living (see attached)



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July 24, 2013

Special Committee
c/o Sylvia Murphy & Meerta Meyer
22560 SW Pine Street
Sherwood, Oregon 97140

Dear Sylvia & Meerta,

It is my understanding that an effort is being made to help ensure that the City of Sherwood remains that of a quaint and peaceful community, desirable for families to live and raise children in without the worries and problems that many of the other nearby cities struggle with and that the two of you are heading a committee in the effort of creating new ordinances to help preserve what those who currently live in Sherwood love about their city.

I have been in the security industry for about 15 years and during this time my company has and does provide security services to a wide variety of businesses and industries, leaving me uniquely qualified to address some of your committee's concerns.

I know that one of your concerns is to address the operating hours of retail and service industries operating within the city and this is a concern that I would like to specifically address. Arcadia Security & Patrol services clients in almost every city in the Portland Metro Area and because of this we have a good deal of understanding when it comes to what kind of issues are to be expected when adding a new client property based off where this property is located, what kind of business it is and what other kinds of businesses are nearby.

When servicing a client property, even though our client may have designated business hours that calls for that business to close at (let's say) 7pm, should that client have a neighboring business that stays open (let's say) 24 hours we tend to find this will have an effect not only on our client property but those other businesses and properties also within the immediate area and beyond. The first problem we see with businesses that have long or continual operating hours is that of loitering. We find that homeless people, street kids and those just "looking for something to do" will congregate to these businesses. In addition to having continual vehicle and foot traffic coming and going from the business you will also see a rise in crime that is directly connected to the fact that the business is there and open.

Often times we find people camping and even "living" in the parking lots of businesses such as these. We do find some businesses will make an effort to try and drive the loiterers and campers off their property. However, this doesn't solve the problem... In fact doing this often only makes things worse for the community as the loiterers, campers and homeless don't leave the area or city. They just move throughout the city, loitering in new areas and finding new places to camp or set up backwoods homes. Knowing that there is a business with late or 24 hour activity will provide a constant source of panhandling, theft, dumpster diving and an assortment of other unwanted and illegal activity all because there is a constant source of commerce and opportunity. This is not a problem that the residents of Sherwood should have to deal with and limiting operating hours for businesses will help prevent or limit this kind of activity.

As a resident of Sherwood you would need to ask yourself, "do I want increased vehicle traffic driving through my community at all hours of the day and night...?" Business with extended or 24 hour service will inevitably drive up 3 very specific problems. One being the amount of traffic driving the streets at all hours of the day and night. Two being the amount of parking that will be required to handle the increased vehicle traffic

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caused by the extended operating hours. And the third and what I feel is the most important, the increased amount of crime that police and security will be faced with due to the increased amount of business and other undesirable activity due to follow.

We find that communities that regulate operating hours to specific times and days of the week tend to have fewer problems and unwanted activity as those who would be involved in such things tend to move to other areas that allow for this activity. In an effort to help preserve Sherwood I would encourage an ordinance detailing hours of operation for businesses as well as a no camping, loitering or long term perking ordinance to help drive any potential problems away from the city and back in to the more urban areas of the metro area.

Should you have any additional questions or would like any follow up I may be reached at my office.

Thank You,

Don Clot
Managing Director
Badge # 13361
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July 25, 2013

Meerta Meyer
Chairperson, Sherwood Special Committee
Sherwood City Hall
22560 SW Pine St
Sherwood, OR 97140



Re: Proposed Sherwood City Ordinances

Dear Chairperson Meyer:

Thank you for the opportunity to join the public Sherwood Special Committee meeting Wednesday, July 24, 2013. I was appreciative of the opportunity to provide a public statement regarding The Springs at Sherwood. In follow-up to my verbal statement on Wednesday evening, I would like to provide a short written statement for the record and for the Special Committee's consideration.

The Springs Living is a locally-owned and operated business, with a home office in McMinnville, Oregon. The Springs Living operates 10 retirement communities, with 8 falling within the greater-Portland/Salem/The Dalles area. One of these communities is The Springs at Sherwood, located off of Oregon Street, which has been serving the senior residents of Sherwood since 2002.

The Special Committee's consideration of employee benefits and sick time is a very important one, which has very real effects on Sherwood's businesses like The Springs. While The Springs at Sherwood is considered a small retirement community, our employees there are part of a larger management company, The Springs Living. Therefore, while we operate a small business within the City of Sherwood, legally, when considering all of our employees under one central management company, we become classified as a large corporation.

In our segment of the healthcare service industry, like many other industries, we have significant challenges placed upon us. As you may know, we are entrusted with the important work of supporting and caring for the needs of the senior segment of our community – this is an important undertaking and we take this stewardship very seriously. As the vast majority of our business expense comes in the form of employee-related expenses, we are very sensitive to any change to our labor-related expense – no matter how small. The impacts of such changes are magnified in our business and can have severe consequences in our ability to operate and provide the important services we do to our residents and their families, and to our direct-care staff. We are already significantly impacted by a) continual tightening of Medicaid and Medicare reimbursement rates, b) the significant cost burdens associated with the preparation and roll-out of the Affordable Care Act given the labor-intensive nature of our business, c) general operating cost increases (especially in the food and medical supply categories) and d) the second-highest minimum wage rate in the country.

Unlike retail "big box" stores, we do not have the ability to absorb additional labor-related costs easily without passing the expenses to our seniors. We do not have the convenient opportunity to raise our rents to compensate for any labor-related, local mandates. The State of Oregon or U.S. Federal reimbursements stay the same, regardless of the City of Sherwood's local wage and benefit mandates. We serve seniors that are on fixed budgets – these budgets and their resources are typically limited and tight, especially in light of the low investment returns the elderly have experienced throughout this most recent economic slowdown. Mandated, local jurisdiction, labor-related expense increases require us to go to the seniors that pay privately and increase their already tight rates, putting further stress on their fixed budgets.

As a company, we pride ourselves on offering competitive wages and benefits. Our company provides full-time (30 hours per week or more) hourly workers benefit options such as healthcare, dental care, vision, long-term

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We offer these employee benefits not because we are required to, but because it is the right thing to do to support them. We believe it is important to allow businesses to offer employee benefits as employee retention and happiness. I believe this is a decision for the business to make, based on their industry, their financial capability and their unique industry workforce characteristics. I am deeply concerned that the Special Committee would consider mandating broad employee wage and/or benefits to businesses operating in Sherwood, especially given the financial implications on businesses that the Special Committee may not understand or anticipate.

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In summary, I would respectfully encourage the Special Committee to deny or decline any ordinance regarding employee benefits or wage. At the very least, I would respectfully request the Special Committee to table this particular ordinance discussion for the foreseeable future due to the extreme complexity of the subject matter.

Thank you for your consideration of this statement. It is a pleasure to be a member of the City of Sherwood.

Sincerely,



Jay R. Leo
Director of Operations
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AGENDA

SHERWOOD SPECIAL COMMITTEE July 10, 2013

6:30pm Meeting

**Sherwood City Hall
22560 SW Pine Street
Sherwood, OR 97140**

MEETING PREPARATION

- 1. INTRODUCTIONS**
- 2. REVIEW RESOLUTIONS AND PROCESS TO FORM COMMITTEE (TOM PESSEMIER)**
- 3. TRAINING ON CITY COMMITTEE RULES AND PUBLIC MEETING LAWS (CHRIS CREAM)**
- 4. REVIEW REFERRAL PROCESS AND TIMELINES (SYLVIA MURPHY)**
- 5. SELECTION OF CHAIR (TOM PESSEMIER)**

REGULAR MEETING

- 1. CALL TO ORDER (CHAIR)**
- 2. ROLL CALL (CHAIR/STAFF)**
- 3. RATIFY SELECTION OF CHAIR (CHAIR/STAFF)**
- 4. SELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR (CHAIR)**
- 5. DISCUSSION AND VOTE ON REMAINING AGENDA (CHAIR)**
- 6. *DISCUSSION ON TYPES OF ORDINANCES THAT COMMITTEE WANTS TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDING TO CITY COUNCIL FOR REFERRAL TO THE NOVEMBER BALLOT (CHAIR)**
- 7. *DISCUSSION ON HOW ORDINANCES WILL BE DRAFTED AND WHAT COMMITTEE WILL NEED FROM STAFF AND CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE (CHAIR)**
- 8. *DECISION ON UPCOMING MEETING SCHEDULE (ALL)**
- 9. *SPECIFIC ORDINANCES THAT MEMBERS WANT TO DISCUSS (CHAIR) As time permits**
- 10. ADJOURN**

Notes: Names in parentheses () indicate person leading the agenda item
* Items marked with and asterisks are suggested agenda items.



REGULAR MEETING

1. Call to order and confirmation of quorum (chair)
2. Roll call (chair)
3. Approval of July 10, 2013 Meeting Minutes (chair)
4. Brief review of upcoming meeting schedule (chair)

Monday, July 15, 2013 - 6:30pm

Thursday, July 18, 2013 - **5:30pm** (please note change in time on this date only)

Monday, July 22, 2013 - 6:30pm

Thursday, July 25, 2013 - 6:30pm

Monday, July 29, 2013 - 6:30pm

Thursday, August 1, 2013 - 6:30pm

Monday, August 5, 2013 - 6:30pm

NEW BUSINESS:

5. Brief discussion related to providing opportunities for public comment (chair)
6. Review of example ordinances related to overnight camping, overnight parking of vehicles and rv's/motor-homes, and dilapidated vehicles (city attorney)
7. Discussion of ordinances listed in #6 (chair)
8. Review of example ordinances related to use and storage of pesticides and other chemicals (city attorney)
9. Discussion of #8 (chair)
10. Discussion of waste removal for businesses within Sherwood (chair)
11. Closing comments (all)
12. Adjourn (chair)

AGENDA

SHERWOOD SPECIAL COMMITTEE July 12, 2013

6:30pm Meeting

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AGENDA

**SHERWOOD SPECIAL COMMITTEE
July 15, 2013**

6:30pm Meeting

**Sherwood City Hall
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REGULAR MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM (CHAIR)
2. ROLL CALL (CHAIR)
3. APPROVAL OF JULY 10, 2013 MEETING MINUTES (CHAIR)
APPROVAL OF JULY 12, 2013 MEETING MINUTES (CHAIR)
4. PUBLIC COMMENT - THIS WILL BE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF 40 MINUTES

NEW BUSINESS:

5. REVIEW ON WHETHER OR NOT SPECIAL COMMITTEE MAY WORK TOWARD DRAFTING AN ORDINANCE RELATED TO CONSTRUCTION OF NEW BUILDINGS AND DEVELOPMENTS (TOM PESSEMIER)
6. DISCUSSION RELATED TO #5
7. DISCUSSION RELATED TO CRAFTING AN ORDINANCE THAT WOULD EFFECTIVELY PROMOTE AND PRODUCE FAMILY WAGE JOBS WITHIN THE CITY OF SHERWOOD (CHAIR)
8. CLOSING COMMENTS (ALL)
9. ADJOURN (CHAIR)



AGENDA

**SHERWOOD SPECIAL COMMITTEE
July 18, 2013**

5:30pm Meeting

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REGULAR MEETING

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- 2. ROLL CALL (CHAIR)**
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APPROVAL OF JULY 12, 2013 MEETING MINUTES
APPROVAL OF JULY 15, 2013 MEETING MINUTES**
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT - THIS WILL BE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF 40 MINUTES**

NEW BUSINESS:

- 5. UPDATE ON PROGRESS OF 1ST DRAFT LANGUAGE OF ORDINANCES REQUESTED
BY COMMITTEE (CITY ATTORNEY)**
- 6. BRIEF DISCUSSION OF UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS BASED ON #5 (CHAIR)**
- 7. DISCUSSION RELATED TO CRAFTING AN ORDINANCE THAT WOULD CREATE A
SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT FOR SMALL RETAIL BUSINESSES WITHIN
SHERWOOD (CHAIR)**
- 8. CLOSING COMMENTS (ALL)**
- 9. ADJOURN (CHAIR)**



AGENDA

**SHERWOOD SPECIAL COMMITTEE
July 24, 2013**

6:30pm Meeting

**Sherwood City Hall
22560 SW Pine Street
Sherwood, OR 97140**

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Potential

1. PURSUANT TO ORS 192.660(2)(F), INFORMATION AND RECORDS EXEMPT FROM PUBLIC INSPECTION

REGULAR MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM (CHAIR)
2. ROLL CALL (CHAIR)
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:

July 10, 2013
July 12, 2013
July 15, 2013
July 18, 2013

4. PUBLIC COMMENT - THIS WILL BE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF 40 MINUTES

NEW BUSINESS:

5. UPDATE ON EMPLOYEE BENEFIT ISSUES (CITY ATTORNEY)
6. DISCUSSION REGARDING #5 (CHAIR)
7. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF 1ST DRAFT ORDINANCE LANGUAGE (CHAIR)
8. CLOSING COMMENTS (ALL)
9. ADJOURN (CHAIR)



EXECUTIVE SESSION-POTENTIAL

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REGULAR MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM (CHAIR)
2. ROLL CALL (CHAIR)
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (CHAIR)

July 12, 2013
July 15, 2013
July 18, 2013
July 24, 2013

4. PUBLIC COMMENT - THIS WILL BE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF 40 MINUTES

NEW BUSINESS:

5. CONTINUED REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF 1ST DRAFT ORDINANCE LANGUAGE (CHAIR)
6. CLOSING COMMENTS (ALL)
7. ADJOURN (CHAIR)

AGENDA

**SHERWOOD SPECIAL COMMITTEE
July 25, 2013**

6:30pm Meeting

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AGENDA

**SHERWOOD SPECIAL COMMITTEE
July 29, 2013**

6:30pm Meeting

**Sherwood City Hall
22560 SW Pine Street
Sherwood, OR 97140**

REGULAR MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM (CHAIR)
2. ROLL CALL (CITY RECORDER)
3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES (CHAIR)

July 12, 2013
July 15, 2013
July 18, 2013
July 24, 2013
July 25, 2013

4. PUBLIC COMMENT - THIS WILL BE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF 40 MINUTES

NEW BUSINESS:

5. SPECIAL COMMITTEE QUESTION AND ANSWER DISCUSSION WITH CHIEF GROTH, SHERWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT (CHAIR)
6. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF **REVISED** 1ST DRAFT LANGUAGE REGARDING BUSINESS HOURS ORDINANCE (CHAIR)
7. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF **REVISED** 1ST DRAFT LANGUAGE REGARDING CAMPING ORDINANCE (CHAIR)
8. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF REPORT(S)/ RECOMMENDATION(S) TO CITY COUNCIL RELATED TO ESTABLISHING NEW BUSINESS REGULATIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF SHERWOOD (CHAIR)
9. CLOSING COMMENTS (ALL)
10. ADJOURN (CHAIR)



AGENDA
SHERWOOD SPECIAL COMMITTEE
August 1, 2013

6:30pm Meeting

**Sherwood City Hall
22560 SW Pine Street
Sherwood, OR 97140**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(f), Exempt Public Records

REGULAR MEETING

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2. ROLL CALL (CITY RECORDER)
3. APPROVAL OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (CHAIR)

JULY 12, 2013

JULY 15, 2013

4. PUBLIC COMMENT - THIS WILL BE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF 40 MINUTES

NEW BUSINESS:

5. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF REGULATION OF CAMPING ORDINANCE - 3RD DRAFT LANGUAGE (CHAIR)
6. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF REGULATION OF BUSINESS HOURS - 3RD DRAFT LANGUAGE (CHAIR)
7. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF GENERAL REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL - 2ND DRAFT LANGUAGE (CHAIR)
8. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF REPORTS TO CITY COUNCIL FOR EACH OF THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES: (CHAIR)

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES REGULATIONS
REGULATION OF CAMPING ORDINANCE
REGULATION OF BUSINESS HOURS

9. CLOSING COMMENTS (ALL)
10. ADJOURN (CHAIR)



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Cc: Sylvia Murphy <murphys@sherwoodoregon.gov>, Tom Pessemier <pessemiart@sherwoodoregon.gov>

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