

# SHERWOOD CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 22560 SW Pine St., Sherwood, Or

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May 18, 2021

# **WORK SESSION**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Mays called the work session to order at 6:00 pm.
- 2. COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Keith Mays, Council President Tim Rosener, Councilors Doug Scott, Kim Young, Sean Garland, Renee Brouse, and Russell Griffin.
- 3. STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Joe Gall, City Attorney Josh Soper, IT Director Brad Crawford, Community Development Director Julia Hajduk, Public Works Director Craig Sheldon, Interim Assistant City Manager Kristen Switzer, Finance Director David Bodway, Economic Development Manager Bruce Coleman, and City Recorder Sylvia Murphy.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Willamette Water Supply Program Director Dave Kraska, Willamette Water Supply Program Engineering and Construction Manager Mike Britch, Washington County Capital Projects Division Manager Joe Younkins, Washington County Land Use Director Stephen Roberts, Washington County Principal Engineer Russ Knoebel, and Washington County Project Manager Matt Meier.

#### 4. TOPICS

# A. Updates on Willamette Water Supply Project and Tualatin Sherwood Rd/Roy Rogers Widening Project

Willamette Water Supply Program Director Dave Kraska presented the "Willamette Water Supply 'Our Reliable Water" PowerPoint presentation (see record, Exhibit A) and reported that the program started in 2011 when TVWD (Tualatin Valley Water District) and Hillsboro were evaluating their long-term water supply options and selected the Willamette River after a multi-year technical study and public input. He recapped the areas TVWD and Hillsboro had focused their technical studies on page 4 of the presentation. He reported that the Willamette River was selected because of the lower cost, excellent water quality, ownership, reliable supply, and fewer environmental impacts. He stated that the Willamette Water Supply Program's mission was to, "Provide a cost-effective, reliable, and resilient water supply system by July 2026, that benefits current and future generations of the communities we serve and supports a vibrant local economy." Council President Rosener asked if the WWSP would sell to individual rate payers in Beaverton? Mr. Kraska replied that the Willamette water supply system would supply water to the owners to distribute, not individuals. He provided an overview of the system map on page 6 of the presentation and reported that there was a river intake located in Wilsonville that they were currently

expanding to meet the future needs of the area as well as seismic improvements. Councilor Scott asked what level of earthquake it would be able to survive? Mr. Kraska replied that it was being built to survive the Cascadia subduction zone event. Willamette Water Supply Program Engineering and Construction Manager Mike Britch clarified that it was designed to withstand a magnitude 9.0 earthquake and reported they had completed a probabilistic seismic hazard analysis to evaluate all of the potential seismic events in the area, including the West Hills fault, and was also based on the level of seismic event that would occur once every 2,500 years. Mr. Kraska stated that for the past five years Washington County and the WWSP had been cooperating and planning their work together and stated it provided numerous benefits of saving money during design and construction because it reduced field investigation and design redundancies and shared mobilization, traffic control, public outreach, and erosion control. It reduced impacts to commuters, businesses and the environment, it enabled additional transportation improvements, and built on the history of successful completion of past projects. He recapped that the WWSP projects occurring around Sherwood were the three separate pipeline projects being completed in Washington County and the new water treatment plant to be located on SW 124th Avenue. He provided background and project overview on the three pipeline projects on pages 11-13 of the presentation. Mayor Mays asked if the pipe on Roy Rogers would reach the bridge? Mr. Kraska replied that the pipe would stop just short of the bridge and bend west and would then go underneath Chicken Creek to the other side. City Manager Joe Gall asked regarding the different project values for the pipeline projects and commented that the second component was significantly more expensive compared to the other portions and asked what was driving the cost. Mr. Kraska replied that the length of the pipeline needed for the project was the largest driving factor for the price. Mr. Britch clarified that the two colors on the map represented the combined road and pipeline work and explained that the vellow color was the pipeline work that went to 124th Avenue and then the pipe turned to connect to an existing pipe, but the road kept going and contributed to the higher total value. Mr. Kraska provided an overview of the Water Treatment Plant project location, water treatment plant facility, and planned roadway improvements on pages 14-16 of the presentation. Council President Rosener asked if Mr. Kraska would factor in the recently passed prevailing wage increase into their cost estimates and asked if they had locked in the rates for any of the necessary contracts yet? Mr. Kraska replied that one of the hazards of doing large projects such as this was that small regulatory changes, such as the prevailing wage change, could have a large impact on the cost of the project and was tracked closely. City Manager Gall asked Mr. Kraska to speak on project timelines and project value. Mr. Kraska replied that the project value was a "squishy" number because there were many different opinions on what the value of the construction project would be and commented that he was comfortable assigning a project value in the range of \$250-300 million. Mr. Kraska outlined that natural resource protection was an important element of the project and would include preservation of the 4.7 acres of the Kolk pond wetland, the Southern natural resource area, and the development would contain more than 43% tree canopy, which exceeded City standards. He explained that there would be some impacts to wetlands but they were following mitigation plans that were approved by the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Division of State Lands, and Clean Water Services. He provided an overview of the water treatment facility's public access features and administration building and explained that there would be a forest platform, interpretive displays, and educational programs offered at the public facility. He provided an overview of the anticipated completed views of the facility from different access points on pages 20-21 of the presentation. He recapped key dates for the water treatment plant facility and stated that construction was anticipated to last from Spring 2022-2025 with the plant being operational in 2026. City Manager Gall remarked that plans for a local tie-in were being worked on. Mr. Kraska replied that they were working on an emergency water supply connection that would go from the finished water pumps to the City's distribution system and commented that they were hoping to make

it a two-way connection in order to share water back and forth. He stated that they would handle making sure that the emergency connection was a part of the water treatment plant improvement project and explained that they would work with the City on creating an intergovernmental agreement on how to handle the operation and protocols of that equipment. Mr. Kraska reported that City Attorney Josh Soper had been working with them on creating an IGA regarding the WWSS supplying future build-out areas in Sherwood.

Washington County Principal Engineer Russ Knoebel provided an area overview of the Tualatin-Sherwood/Roy Rogers Road projects on page 24 of the presentation. He reported that the Borchers Drive to Olds Place project would begin to accept bids starting June 2<sup>nd</sup> and pipeline construction would begin in 2023 with substantial completion by Fall 2024. He reviewed the project's five lane cross section on page 26 of the presentation. He reported that the Olds Place to Teton Avenue project was currently undergoing final design and right-of-way and was scheduled to bid in the Spring of 2022 with construction occurring from Summer 2022-Fall 2025. He reviewed the project's five lane cross section on page 28 of the presentation and explained that the design standards had changed which resulted in them removing the bike lanes and creating multi-use pathways. Mayor Mays commented that bicyclists do not necessarily use the multi-use bike paths and asked if the County would install adequate signage to alert cyclists of what path they should use? Mr. Knoebel replied that there would be signage to show the lane delineation. Council President Rosener asked if the streetlights used on page 28 would be what they used in the actual project. Mr. Knoebel replied that was correct and the streetlights used on page 28 was their standard design and commented that there would be different types of lighting for their other projects. Mr. Knoebel reported that the Borchers Drive to Chicken Creek project was currently undergoing final design and right-of-way and construction was scheduled to take place from Winter 2021-Fall 2023. He recapped that in their previous work session with Council, Council had provided their input on ways to improve this specific project. He explained that the County had added roughly \$750,000 worth of improvements to address some of Council's concerns. He reviewed the project's five lane cross section on page 30 of the presentation. Council President Rosener asked how tall the sound walls would be? Washington County Project Manager Matt Meier replied that sound walls were typically 10-12 feet tall. Mr. Knoebel provided an overview of the opportunities for landscaping on page 31 of the presentation and the median, right-of-way, and sound wall landscaping plant examples on pages 32-34. He reported that the sound walls would be constructed out of concrete in the Ashlar stone pattern. Mr. Meier commented that the exact color of the concrete had not yet been decided but they were leaning towards an earth tone. Mayor Mays asked if the sound walls would have an anti-graffiti treatment? Mr. Meier replied that the sound walls would have an anti-graffiti coating which made them easier to clean. Councilor Griffin asked if there would be a texture treatment to the residential side of the sound walls and asked if the County had plans to help alleviate traffic congestion along Tualatin-Sherwood Road during construction of the water treatment facility? Mr. Knoebel replied that the residential side of the sound walls would be the standard treatment. He addressed the question regarding traffic congestion during construction and explained that there would always be open lanes on Tualatin-Sherwood Road during construction. He stated that the pipeline work would occur mostly out of traffic but there would be some impact to traffic as the pipeline crossed intersections. Mayor Mays commented that the more vertical vegetation planted along the sound walls the better. Councilor Garland commented he liked the design changes to the sound walls and additional bike lanes added to the project since the last work session. Discussion regarding cycling laws and signage occurred. Councilor Scott asked why the bike lane facility locations changed through each of the project areas? Mr. Knoebel replied that the Borchers Drive to Olds Place project was older than the other projects and explained that the board, with input from the City, had determined that that bike treatment was appropriate. He explained that as time went on and with

additional input from other cities, more protected bike facilities were selected by the board. Councilor Scott asked if there was an opportunity to go back and change the design to make the bike facility match the other sections? Mr. Knoebel replied that if they wished to change where the bike lanes were located it would require a redesign of the majority of the project. Councilor Scott commented he would like to see an overhead diagram of what the bike lane transition looked like. Washington County Land Use Director Stephen Roberts reported that the transition would look very similar to the image on page 36 of the presentation where there was a ramp to allow cyclists to go from street level to the raised cycle track. City Manager Gall asked when the road construction along Roy Rogers near Scholls Ferry would be completed? Mr. Knoebel replied that that project was scheduled to wrap up in the Fall of 2021, if not sooner. Mayor Mays asked where the waterpipe would lay between Chicken Creek and Beef Bend? Mr. Kraska replied the pipeline project would go across Chicken Creek and Tualatin River up to around Beef Bend where the pipeline section would be terminated and was done with the County's road project from Roy Rogers Road up to Scholls. Mr. Britch clarified that when they started at Chicken Creek they would do trenchless construction so they were out of the road and commented that most of the construction would not occur in the roadway and it was unlikely to impact traffic. Council President Rosener asked if there were any plans to widen the two-lane bridge? Mr. Roberts replied that there were currently no funds allocated to improve Roy Rogers up to four lanes north of Sherwood and commented that they were aware that there was a need for those improvements but there was no specific commitment in terms of timelines. He commented that they had recently completed an Urban Reserves Transportation study that tried to assess traffic growth in the corridor along with UGB expansions in the county. Council President Rosener asked Mr. Roberts to share their Urban Reserves Transportation study. Mr. Roberts said he would do so. Mayor Mays thanked them for their work.

#### 5. ADJOURN:

Mayor Mays adjourned the work session at 7:00 pm and convened a regular session.

### REGULAR SESSION

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Mays called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.
- 2. COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Keith Mays, Council President Tim Rosener, Councilors Doug Scott, Kim Young, Sean Garland, Renee Brouse, and Russell Griffin.
- 3. STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Joe Gall, City Attorney Josh Soper, IT Director Brad Crawford, Community Development Director Julia Hajduk, Police Chief Jeff Groth, Finance Director David Bodway, Public Works Director Craig Sheldon, Interim Assistant City Manager Kristen Switzer, Planning Manager Erika Palmer, Police Captain Ty Hanlon, Economic Development Manager Bruce Coleman, Building Official Scott McKie, and City Recorder Sylvia Murphy.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Consultant Elaine Howard with Elaine Howard Solutions and TVF&R Fire Marshal Steve Forster

## 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

City Attorney Josh Soper reported that Consent Agenda item F was to be removed.

MOTION: FROM COUNCILOR YOUNG TO APPROVE THE AGENDA REMOVING RESOLUTION 2021-028 ITEM F. SECONDED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT ROSENER. MOTION PASSED 7:0, ALL MEMBERS VOTED IN FAVOR.

Mayor Mays addressed the next agenda item.

#### 5. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Approval of May 4, 2021 City Council Meeting Minutes
- B. Resolution 2021-024 Authorizing the City Manager to purchase two vehicles for Sherwood Broadband
- C. Resolution 2021-025 Approving a public building project in the Sherwood 2021 Urban Renewal Plan
- D. Resolution 2021-026 Appointing Emily Campbell to the Sherwood West Community Advisory Committee
- E. Resolution 2021-027, Adopting City Council Goals and Activities for FY2021-22

MOTION: FROM COUNCILOR YOUNG TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA. SECONDED BY COUNCILOR GRIFFIN. MOTION PASSED 7:0, ALL MEMBERS VOTED IN FAVOR.

Mayor Mays addressed the next agenda item.

#### 6. CITIZEN COMMENTS:

No citizen comments had been submitted and Mayor Mays addressed the next agenda item. The City Recorder read the public hearing statement for all three public hearings.

#### 7. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. Ordinance 2021-004 Adopting the 2021 Parks and Recreation Master Plan as a sub-element of the City of Sherwood comprehensive plan, replacing all prior parks and recreation master plans (Second Hearing)

Planning Manager Erika Palmer reported that no additional public comments had been received this week and Mr. Shannon's public comment from the previous week had been included in their packet. She stated that it was staff's recommendation to adopt Ordinance 2021-004. With no further comments, questions or public comments provided, Mayor Mays closed the public hearing portion of the meeting and asked for discussion or a motion from Council. Mayor Mays commented that he and Council were pleased with the work completed by staff, advisory committees, and consultants.

MOTION FROM COUNCILOR YOUNG TO READ CAPTION AND ADOPT ORDINANCE 2021-004 ADOPTING THE 2021 PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN AS A SUB-ELEMENT OF THE CITY OF SHERWOOD COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, REPLACING ALL PRIOR PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLANS. SECONDED BY COUNCILOR GRIFFIN. MOTION PASSED 7:0, ALL MEMBERS VOTED IN FAVOR.

# B. Ordinance 2021-005 Making certain determinations and findings relating to, and approving, the Sherwood 2021 Urban Renewal Plan and directing that notice of approval be published (First Hearing)

Community Development Director Julia Hajduk presented the "2021 Urban Renewal Plan" PowerPoint presentation (see record, Exhibit B) and stated that an adoption of a new Urban Renewal Area (URA) with maximum indebtedness of \$166,600,000 over an estimated 30-year period was being considered. She explained that the URA would help facilitate development through the construction of necessary infrastructure, which would create new jobs and a stronger tax base for the community and was consistent with City Council Economic Development goals. She recapped the review and adoption steps and timeline on page 3 of the presentation. She reviewed the new Urban Renewal Area and project locations map on page 5 of the presentation and explained that the yellow areas were properties that were included in the URA and the red lines were portions of the rights-of-way that were proposed to be in the URA that were intended to facilitate the deployment of Sherwood Broadband. Ms. Hajduk provided an overview of the proposed projects on pages 6-20 of the presentation. She explained that the URA Plan identified the projects to be completed and the maximum indebtedness allowed and stated that the report demonstrated the feasible timing of revenue to complete anticipated projects. She explained that Council and URA were not bound to the specific timing or cost assumptions in the report and the actual order of projects to be completed using URA funds was subject to change and would not prevent private development from constructing improvements sooner, but may provide opportunity and flexibility for the URA to assist with project completion. Ms. Hajduk recapped next steps and explained that if the URA Plan was adopted, it would become effective 30 days after adoption and the plan's legal description would be recorded and submitted to the County tax assessor. She reported that beginning in 2023, tax increment revenues would begin to be routed to the URA. She reported that the Festival Plaza, the Sunset/99W Pedestrian Bridge, and Sherwood Broadband were the projects that were slated to begin development based on Council and URA Board direction. She stated that staff recommended holding a public hearing and consider adoption of Ordinance 2021-005 approving the 2021 URA with the following edits: replacing the blank spaces with "R&O 21-56" on page 2 of Exhibit A and page 4 of Exhibit B. Mayor Mays opened the public hearing to receive testimony and the City Recorder reported that they had received written public comment from Sherwood resident Jim Claus regarding the proposed URA district. The City Recorder read the comment aloud. Mr. Claus provided comments regarding the proposed Urban Renewal District (URD), He commented on the 7% annual growth rate the City had used for their calculations and stated that the City's consultants had stated that a 6% annual growth rate was aggressive, and typically used a 5% growth rate or less when working with other cities. He wrote that he felt that the public was not given adequate opportunity to provide feedback on the proposed URD and reported that draft documents were not uploaded to the City's website for public review until April 14, 2021. He wrote that there should have been a like number of geographically districted citizen members on the URA board to discuss and vote on the new URA. He spoke on the URA project list and asked why the lighted intersection built along Highway 99W between Meinecke Road and Sunset Boulevard was not included in the project list as it would be a necessary part of the Cedar Creek Way road extension project? He referred to Planning Commission meetings that reviewed the proposed URD and commented that the plan was not reviewed by outside professionals for potential deficiencies, only City staff. He commented regarding the turf field project at the high school and the adjustments to the URA boundaries and the URA paying for this project. City Manager Gall indicated that the 4 minutes allowed for comment had expired and the City Recorder stated that the public comments and documents would be a part of the meeting record. Hearing no other public comments Mayor Mays closed the public hearing portion of the meeting and asked for questions or discussion from Council.

Councilor Young asked what the difference was between the maximum indebtedness of \$166.6 million and the projected \$184.4 million cited on page 3 of the staff report? Ms. Julia Hajduk explained that those figures had to do with revenues and financing versus what was available to use for projects. Consultant Elaine Howard clarified that by statute, maximum indebtedness did not include interest paid on debt, so the \$166.6 million was not the interest amount and the \$184.4 was the projected total amount including interest on debt. Council President Rosener clarified that maximum indebtedness was something that could not be changed during the life of the URA, and it did not mean that that amount would be spent on projects and stated that URAs had no impact on residential property taxes. Mayor Mays thanked those involved with the new URA for their hard work. He reported that the existing URA that was scheduled to be sunset-ed within the next 24 months had brought many of the improvements to Old Town including street, utility, and Cannery area improvements and the proposed new URA would bring additional funding to the pedestrian bridge between the YMCA and new high school area and the undercrossing on Highway 99W. He spoke on the benefits that the new URA would bring to Sherwood and Sherwood residents. Mayor Mays spoke on the potential cost of delay for holding a second public hearing on the proposed URA in two weeks and asked if Council should consider adopting the proposed ordinance at this meeting? He asked Economic Development Manager Bruce Coleman to speak on the potential cost of delay given current market rates. Mr. Coleman commented that there could be some changes in market interest rates. but no one knew for certain when that could happen and commented that if an inflationary period were to begin, it could affect interest rates and could be a very meaningful factor in terms of borrowing money. Mayor Mays spoke on the cost of delay and commented that if there was an inflationary period, it would have an impact on projects due to the rising cost of materials. Mayor Mays stated he was very happy with the plan and the review process it had been through. Mayor Mays asked Finance Director David Bodway to explain his prior email to Council regarding bonding interest rates (see record, Exhibit C). Mr. Bodway gave the example of a \$40 million loan over a 30-year term going from a 2% interest rate to a 2.25% interest rate over the life of the loan and stated that that change would add an additional \$1.9 million in costs to the City. He voiced that there was inflationary talk happening on the federal level and interest rates were fluctuating and commented that in terms of the City taking advantage of current interest rates the sooner the City could act to take advantage of a low rate, the better it would be. Council President Rosener commented he was in favor of taking advantage of lower interest rates in order to be able to complete more projects, and stated he was in favor of voting on the new URA at this meeting. Councilor Young commented that the process for the new URA had begun in July of 2020 and the URA Plan had been through numerous Council work sessions, URA Advisory Committee meetings, Planning Commission meetings, virtual open houses, and public hearings with the Sherwood School District. TVF&R, and Washington County. She commented that given the interest rate volatility and the potential increased costs to the City over the life of the loan, she was in favor of voting on the ordinance at this meeting. Councilor Griffin commented that he was initially hesitant to pass the ordinance at the first reading, but there had been other occasions that items had been adopted in one reading if Council believed it to be prudent to do so on behalf of the City. He commented that he agreed with Councilor Young in that the new URA Plan had been through a thorough review process and the City had provided many opportunities for the public to provide their comments and feedback on the proposed plan and spoke on the importance of the guidance the new URA Plan would provide for the City's development. He stated that given the interest rate volatility and the potential increased costs to the City over the life of the loan, he was in favor of voting on the ordinance at this meeting. Mayor Mays explained that the intention of an Urban Renewal District was to make investments to facilitate development that may not occur otherwise or that quickly. Councilor Garland commented that the new URA would benefit the entire Sherwood community and commented that there had been many opportunities for citizens to provide their feedback on the proposed URA Plan and stated he was in favor of voting on the ordinance at this meeting.

Record note: Staff emailed Council a list of public outreach dates they had completed in order to allow for public comment on the proposed new URA (see record, Exhibit D).

MOTION FROM COUNCILOR YOUNG TO READ CAPTION AND ADOPT ORDINANCE 2021-005 MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND FINDINGS RELATING TO, AND APPROVING, THE SHERWOOD 2021 URBAN RENEWAL PLAN AND DIRECTING THAT NOTICE OF APPROVAL BE PUBLISHED. SECONDED BY COUNCILOR SCOTT. MOTION PASSED 7:0, ALL MEMBERS VOTED IN FAVOR.

Mayor Mays addressed the next business item.

C. Ordinance 2021-006 amending Chapter 15.04 of the Sherwood Municipal Code to reflect the 2021 Oregon Building Code updates and Chapter 8.12 of the Sherwood Municipal Code to reflect the 2020 updates to Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue's Fire Code (First Hearing)

City Building Official Scott McKie explained that the proposed ordinance was to amend the Sherwood Municipal Code to reflect updates that were made to three of the State Building Codes as well as an update to the TVF&R Fire Code. He reported that the State had adopted a new 2021 Oregon Residential Code, Oregon Plumbing Code, and Oregon Electrical Code. He explained that any jurisdiction that had a building permitting and inspection program was required by law to locally adopt the changes to the specific codes. Mayor Mays confirmed that no public comments had been submitted regarding the proposed ordinance. The City Recorder replied that was correct. Mayor Mays closed the public hearing portion of the hearing and asked for questions or discussion from Council. Councilor Young commented it did not look like any major changes had been made. Mr. McKie replied that was correct and explained that codes had been updated to reflect the current year, so the City needed to update its municipal code to reflect the current year of edition of code the state had adopted. TVF&R Fire Marshal Steve Forster reported that their code update was also minor changes and was the first ordinance update since 2014. Mayor Mays stated that the proposed ordinance would be back for a second hearing at the June 1st City Council meeting.

Mayor Mays addressed the next agenda item.

#### 8. CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mayor Mays reported that this meeting was the last City Council meeting that City Manager Joe Gall would attend before his departure. He stated that he greatly appreciated Mr. Gall's tenure for the past nine years and stated that there would be a proclamation for Mr. Gall to recognize his many contributions to the City of Sherwood. Mayor Mays read the proclamation aloud and stated that Mr. Gall had served the City of Sherwood with distinction since 2012 and had deep connections to the Sherwood community that would continue long after his departure. He stated that Mr. Gall had successfully executed on the vision of city leadership and helped to bring many goals, priorities, and projects to life and the community of Sherwood was a better, stronger place for all residents to live, work, and play because of Mr. Gall's efforts. He stated that the Sherwood City Council was grateful for Mr. Gall's passion, commitment, and drive through the years and wished him the best in his new ventures. Councilor Young stated it had been an absolute pleasure to work with Mr. Gall the past four years and thanked him for the calmness he brought to the City and responsiveness to Councilors and citizens. Councilor Griffin thanked Mr. Gall for

his fairness in his assessments of situations and stated that Sherwood was a better place because of his help and guidance for the past nine years and wished Mr. Gall the best of luck in his new venture. Council President Rosener stated he appreciated working with Mr. Gall and had learned a great deal from him as a first time City Councilor and thanked him for keeping Council up to date on important issues so they could make informed decisions. He commented that that was one of the reasons why Sherwood was a city that has, and will continue to be known as, a city that thinks outside the box. Councilor Garland thanked Mr. Gall for his measured perspective that helped Council make informed decisions that would benefit the most people in the community. He commented that the City was a better place thanks to Mr. Gall's tenure as City Manager. Councilor Brouse stated it had been an honor and a privilege to serve alongside Mr. Gall both at the City of Sherwood level but also through the Sherwood Rotary and Sherwood YMCA. She commented he was a great leader and she looked forward to watching what he did in his new career. Councilor Scott stated that Mr. Gall's creation and administration of the Citizens University program was an incredible asset to both Councilors and residents, and commented he hoped that the program would continue after Mr. Gall's departure. He thanked Mr. Gall for his time, information, and energy in getting him up to speed as a new Councilor and thanked him for his responsiveness and availability as a City Manager.

City Manager Joe Gall thanked Council for their comments and voiced that he had been a City Manager for the past 16 years and had been in local government for the past 35 years. He said that he entered the profession to cause a positive change in the community he worked in and expressed that what Council had stated at this meeting had reassured him that he had made a positive impact on this community with the assistance of a great team behind him. He stated he was proud of the work that he had been able to lead and accomplish the past nine years and commented it had been the highlight of a 30-plus year career in local government. He voiced that he would still live in the community because he loved the community. He expressed that working in local government was not always easy, but it was work that could get things accomplished and the work accomplished "really means something." He commented that he had loved working with elected officials and thanked them for volunteering their time and explained that the reason he spent so much time with councilors was to help them do a good job giving back to the community. He thanked Council for all the work that they had completed and all of the work they will continue to do. He spoke on the long-term impacts of the work that Council was completing and stated they should be proud of the work they have accomplished. Mr. Gall stated that his job was easy in many ways because of the great staff that he worked with, including the senior leadership team and staff throughout the organization. He remarked that he knew that the new city manager would be a great one because this was a great community with great opportunities for someone else to follow in his footsteps, as he had followed in those who went before him. Mayor Mays stated that Mr. Gall's next chapter was an exciting one and Council was happy for him.

City Manager Gall reported that the Budget Committee meeting would be held on May 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm and would be a virtual meeting. He reported that the City Manager position had been posted and was accepting applicants.

Mayor Mays addressed the next agenda item.

#### 9. COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Mays spoke on the Sherwood School Board elections and commented it was likely that there would be new School Board members. Discussion regarding voter turnout and voting counties occurred. Mayor

Mays reported that Council would soon discuss their priorities to advocate for transportation projects with Washington County. He reported that Washington County had exceeded the 65% vaccination rate determined by Governor Brown and the County would now be moved to "low risk" status for COVID restrictions on May 21st.

Councilor Scott reported that the Planning Commission would not hold a public hearing next Tuesday, but they would hold a work session where they would discuss the first draft of the proposed Residential Design Standards and a review of the public input they had received on the same topic.

Councilor Griffin reported that the Robin Hood Festival Association had chosen to hold the Robin Hood Festival on September 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>.

#### 10. ADJOURN:

Mayor Mays adjourned the regular session at 8:18 pm and convened an executive session.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Mays called the executive session to order at 8:23 pm.
- 2. COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Keith Mays, Council President Tim Rosener, Councilors Doug Scott, Kim Young, Sean Garland, Renee Brouse, and Russell Griffin.
- 3. STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Joe Gall, City Attorney Josh Soper, IT Director Brad Crawford, Public Works Director Craig Sheldon, Interim Assistant City Manager Kristen Switzer, and consultant Ross Schultz.

#### 4. TOPICS

A. ORS 192.660(2)(f), Exempt Public Records

#### 5. ADJOURN:

Mayor Mays adjourned the executive session at 9:20 pm.

Attest:

Sylvia Murphy, MMC, City Recorder

Keith Mays Mayor