

**City of Hood River
City Council Work Session
October 13, 2020**

Council: Mayor Kate McBride, Mark Zanmiller, Megan Saunders, Tim Counihan, Jessica Metta, Erick Haynie, Gladys Rivera

Staff: City Manager Rachael Fuller, Finance Director/ACM Will Norris, City Attorney Dan Kearns, Fire Chief Leonard Damian, Police Chief Neal Holste, Public Works Director Mark Janeck, Senior Project Manager Wade Seaborn, City Recorder Jennifer Gray, GIS Analyst Jonathan Skloven-Gill, Planner Jennifer Kaden

Absent:

I CALL TO ORDER – Cell Phone Reminder – 6:02 p.m.

II BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Brian Towey, Hood River, OR – he addressed his concerns about fee in lieu Resolution 2020-18 that is on the consent agenda for approval. He does not believe the coversheet for this item matches well with what he observed during the parking discussion at the last Council meeting. This resolution should only apply to downtown. Businesses and residents in the Heights and the Waterfront should have been included in the discussion. Ordinance 2056 referenced in the background of the coversheet sites the downtown parking study three times. Ordinance 2056 was obviously considered specifically to address only downtown parking and now it is suddenly background information for Resolution 2020-18. The parking study did not consider the Heights and the Waterfront area. The Heights and Waterfront were not discussed by Council with respect to Ordinance 2056. Council did not direct staff to prepare an ordinance to address the Heights and the Waterfront parking in lieu fee as the coversheet states. He is shocked the way this was presented. Not only was the public not included in the discussion, but it's also presented in a way that appears it has been discussed and indicated by Council. He believes any discussion this evening should be limited to the downtown business district and that residents and businesses in the Heights and Waterfront should be allowed to be part of the discussion.

Bonnie New, Hood River, OR – she is the Head of the housing committee for Aging in the Gorge Alliance (AGA). This committee advocates for the housing needs for the growing number of older adults in the community and especially those with a low income whose voices are often not heard. The housing needs of the lower income with older adults is generally the same as housing needs of other low-income individuals in the community. There is a very large group of low-income individuals in the community who are depending on City Council to make headway on producing some lower income affordable housing in Hood River. AGA is very pleased the City purchased land on Rand Road and understand the Planning Department put out an RFP in July, for a housing development advisory synopsis. The AGA has some concerns. The public has not heard any more about this. She has been watching in the meeting agendas and packet

materials since mid-August but have not seen anything. She asked what is happening on this issue, what has been received, what is currently being done. Their second concern is they want to make sure lower income housing is up to 80% AMI. Is still a high priority for this project? Several observations have raised the question if that is really the case. Lot 700 was going to provide 65 units of low-income housing at 85% AMI. The land RFP states at least 50 housing units for household that are at or below 120% AMI. The RFP states the selected consultant will recommend the optimal type of housing to be pursued by ownership, rental or a combination. What level of income is to be targeted and what is the sale price or rental range? On page 9 of the RFP, it states the consultant is supposed to discern the City's highest priority goals for the site with facilitation and interviews. All these things being passed to the consultant seem to be things that the City should be telling the consultant. For example, housing for families at 85% AMI or less. It is the AGA opinion that the City should state that need as part of the project and make sure it gets placed into the plan. Without that they are very concerned the Council is backing off from that priority. She asked if Council could reassume them on this?

Mayor McBride stated this is a subject that Council has not talked about lately in a meeting, but they will take New's questions under advisement.

She thanked Towey and New for their comments.

WORK SESSION

- III OPEN WORK SESSION – 6:11 p.m.
- IV AGENDA ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS
- V DISCUSSION ITEMS
- VI ADJOURN WORK SESSION – 6:11 p.m.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

- I OPEN REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – 6:11 p.m.
- II AGENDA ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS
- III CONSENT AGENDA
 - 1. Fee in lieu - Resolution 2020-18 - REMOVED, NOT APPROVED
 - 2. Vehicle Purchase – Dump Truck, M. Janeck
 - 3. Change Order Waterfront Storm Sewer Project, M. Janeck
 - 4. OLCC Permit Application Approval – Patco Brands
 - 5. Change Order Third and Industrial Waterline Repairs, W. Seaborn

Councilor Zanmiller asked if Item No. 1 Fee in lieu Resolutoin 2020-18 can be pulled to discuss before approved the consent agenda, for further discussion. He stated Council discussed a lot about in lieu for downtown and talked about leveling it for downtown even though he does not think there will be a rush of development. He thinks there should be a small change to the resolution or a note that states the \$3,000 residential in lieu should be limited to what COunil

talked about, historic downtown buildings. Council can have larger discussion and modify it later when they talk about what it means for other areas in the City. The discussion about in lieu has been about downtown. They should limit the change to be for downtown.

Mayor McBride stated her only concern about it only being downtown is do they have a level of playing field for in lieu fee. If they have a in lieu fee that is the same for commercial and residential for downtown, are they going to have a lower in lieu fee for the Heights but a higher one for residential for the Heights? It would not be a level of playing field for everyone.

Councilor Zanmiller stated the intention of this was to facilitate the historic buildings downtown. He suggested the resolution state residential and commercial development in historic buildings downtown.

Councilor Saunders believes the historic exemption is separate from the parking fee lieu. The fee in lieu is really a clean up after the parking study of the fact there is a massive discrepancy between residential, commercial, and industrial uses. It is trying to rectify that; it has nothing to do with historic building aspect.

Nilsen stated there are three amendments that are being proposed tonight in Ordinance 2056. One: They are an exemption for historic buildings, having nothing to do with fee in lieu. They are completely separate. Two: Fee in lieu amendment that would equalize the cost for both new commercial and new residential development that would apply to nonhistorical buildings. Three: changes the metrics to reflect a per unit county. Right now, there are code conflicts with the fee in lieu that have radically different outcomes. This comes from the 2019 downtown study that looked at what are the actual amounts that are being generated, what is the demand being generated. The idea of adjusting the fee in lieu was to address this 13 year failure of the fee in lieu program to actually address this for an interim amount of time, until they made some discussion regarding how the fee in lieu would play into a future study. This is short-term. In the City's code now and in the resolution, there is only one fee in lieu rate amount for downtown, Heights, and the Waterfront. If Council wishes, they can change them to have separate rates. Ordinance 2056 is only for downtown. The resolution is the fee that was suggested for downtown that was a part of the study.

Fuller added a way to proceed here is to direct staff to prepare it for downtown only. This is just a fee resolution as Nilsen stated, there were other issues dealt with at the last meeting that would appear in the ordinance. It is Council's decision. The discussion was around downtown.

Mayor McBride asked if they directed staff to do something different and separate them, would there be a different fee in lieu for the Heights. Fuller confirmed that would be correct. Mayor McBride believes that would be bad for the Heights.

Council Metta stated if Council approves this today for just the downtown, she would like Council to come back and discuss fixing the Heights and Waterfront because it would be unfair, specially for residential.

Council Haynie agreed with Councilor Metta. He also shares Councilor Zanmiller's concerns. He thought Council was acting quickly on eliminating or changing the fee in lieu with concern to historic buildings. If it were up to him, he would say limit it to downtown historic buildings only, not new development downtown. This builds on a number of concerns he would have. There is a parking crisis downtown and it seems to him if they significantly eliminate fee in lieu change by

taking away this fund for at least new development, they would be making the problem worse, not better. He is comfortable with reducing fee in lieu parking for historic buildings, which he thought was the direction they were moving towards. If they do not solve the parking problem, he is not in favor eliminating parking in lieu for new construction downtown. They would be making an excising crisis even worse.

Councilor Zanmiller stated addressing historic buildings is the pressing goal from last meeting discussion.

Councilor Saunders stated they have addressed the historic parking issues with the exemption fee in lieu is for everything. They have had over a decade of this and it's clearly a barrier for new development as well because nothing has been built. They know it is not working. This is a recommendation as a temporary change from the parking expert. This is not going to create affordable housing downtown, but it is going to create mix use and multifamily housing which is housing types needed in commercial zones. STR's will not have any parking so they will not be able to meet the requirements to get a license, so she does not see that being a major issue or barrier. Having a discrepancy between residential and commercial fee in lieu has always been a problem. It does not make sense if they are talking about the rest of their goals and it does not make sense if they trying to make a vibrant area.

Councilor Metta stated she is comfortable with the interim number. She does not believe they talked about in relation to just historic buildings, it was for new development and she was comfortable with that.

Councilor Counihan stated Council did talk about this. He asked staff if it ended up in the resolution because of the matter of timing.

Fuller stated a resolution is needed change the fee. The fees are set by resolution.

Mayor McBride suggested if Council has no issues with the other items listed on the consent agenda, to move forward with a motion to approve those items and to remove Resolution 2020-18 to be approved separately.

Motion: I move to approve the consent agenda without item number one, Parking Fee in lieu Resolution 2020-18.
First: Saunders
Second: Metta
Discussion: None
Vote: Motion passed
Ayes: McBride, Saunders, Zanmiller, Haynie, Metta, Counihan
Nays:
Abstentions: Rivera – did not vote due to computer issues
Excused: None

Motion: I move to approve Parking Fee in lieu Resolution 2020-18.
First: Saunders
Second: Counihan
Discussion: Councilor Zanmiller does not believe this is an emergency. He does not feel like they discussed the Heights when they talked about in lieu. He will be

voting against it today. He agrees the in lieu is broken and needs to be fixed but he rather see this be tailored to the discussions that have been had. Councilor Haynie agreed with Councilor Zanmiller. He has concerns about the figure, it seems to be scientifically below the fair market value. He is concerned about any new development with exciting business owners downtown. He would craft it differently and is open to fixing the broken in lieu system. Councilor Metta agrees with Councilor Zanmiller's heights comments.

Vote: Motion failed
Ayes: McBride, Saunders, Counihan
Nays: Zanmiller, Haynie, Metta
Abstentions: Rivera – did not vote due to computer issues.
Excused: None

Mayor McBride stated Council will have further discussion at a future meeting to determine if there should be different fees for the different areas of the City, or if there is a different number that should be attached to it.

IV REGULAR BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Notice of Appeal Denial of Variance - Irwin; File No. 2020-14/IRWIN, J. Kaden
Mayor McBride read the hearing script. Script has been added to the record. There were no objections or questions to the process from Council. There were not procedural questions by the public. Mayor McBride asked members of Council if they have any disclosures. There were no substantive disclosures by Council members. No one from the public moved to disqualify any member of Council from hearing the appeal.

Kaden presented the staff report. See meeting packet for report and document. The question for Council tonight, does the applicant meet each of the four criteria needed in order to approve a variance request. It is the burden of the applicant to demonstrate they meet the criteria. If the applicant demonstrates to Council they meet all four criteria, Council can modify and reverse the Planning Commission decision, making new findings and issues a decision to approve a variance. If the applicant does not demonstrate they meet the four criteria, Council can affirm the Planning Commission decision with their findings or by modifying the finding that results in a denial of the variance request.

This matter comes to City Council as an appeal of a Planning Commission decision to deny a Variance to the maximum allowed building height to construct a roof over an existing third-story deck. The question before the Council is whether the Planning Commission erred in its decision.

Background: The request to construct a roof over the existing 3rd story deck originally came to the Planning Department for review as a building permit. The subject dwelling is a legal, nonconforming structure, permitted at a time when the maximum allowed building height in residential zones was 35 feet. The height of the proposed roof addition exceeds the current allowed maximum height of 28 feet, and would increase the nonconformity of the existing structure, therefore staff was unable to approve the building permit without first getting approval through a publicly-noticed land use process.

Subsequently, the property owner applied for a variance to the maximum allowed height in order to construct a roof over the deck. The purpose of the roof is to protect the area from continued

damage caused by sun, wind, and rain.

To be approved an applicant must demonstrate the variance meets the following four criteria:

1. There are unique or unusual circumstances which apply to the site which do not typically apply elsewhere.
2. The proposal's benefits will be greater than any negative impacts on the development of the adjacent lawful uses; and will further the purpose and intent of this title and the Comprehensive Plan of the City.
3. The circumstances or conditions have not been willfully or purposely self-imposed.
4. The variance requested is the minimum variance which would alleviate the hardship.

On September 8, 2020, the Planning Commission considered the variance request in a public hearing and voted to deny the request based on a determination that the request did not meet all four criteria required for approval. A Final Order setting forth the Planning Commission findings and decision and a Notice of Decision were issued on September 16, 2020 (Attachments 3 & 4).

On September 28, 2020, the property owner submitted an appeal of the Planning Commission decision (Attachment 2). The reasons for the appeal include an initial Planning Commission motion to approve the variance that failed on a tie vote, a belief that some Planning Commissioners misunderstood the basis for the variance request, and a subsequent conversation between the property owner and a roofing contractor. In short, the property owner believes the Planning Commission erred in its decision.

Appeal Hearing Procedure: Pursuant to HRMC 17.09.070.G.2, appeals of quasi-judicial actions by the Planning Commission are heard on the established record before City Council. The scope of the appeal is limited to the grounds on which the appeal is made and limited to the record created during the proceedings prior to appeal to the City Council. This means that Council and the applicant cannot ask for or provide new information, but rather the Council must make its decision on the materials already submitted as part of the Planning Commission decision.

Staff Recommendation: The Council shall make findings, conclusions, and decide whether Planning Commission erred in its decision based on the materials and information already in the application record. Staff recommendation and findings (Attachment 6) along with the Planning Commission findings (Attachment 4) in the meeting packet.

Council asked the applicant and staff questions.

Councilor Coughlin asked Kaden during the Planning Commission discussions was there an indication that some other roofing material would stop the damage to the structure.

Kaden stated that some of the Planning Commissioners felt like that might be the case and they didn't feel they had enough information to determine there wasn't another solution to the problem, which is why there was not consensus that the applicant met criteria number 4.

Mayor McBride closed the hearing and opened it up for Council deliberations.

Councilor Metta stated she read the materials and recognized and understood they could not make non-conforming use more so by increasing the volume that is non-conforming. With the

variance, while she symmetrized with the problems with the initial design, standard change and the money that has been spend on the design, she does not feel like it's been proven this is a unique or unusual circumstance, so she is unsure if Criterial 1 or 4 have been met. She agrees with the Planning Commission's decision.

Councilor Rivera stated she is also in agreement with the Planning Commission's decision but feels the property owner needs to look at other options.

Councilor Counihan stated the problem looks "gut wrenching" and very difficult. He wants to empathize and sympathize this is a hard situation. These are difficult hearing and decisions to make. He agrees with the Planning Commission. It is hard for him to believe there is not some other type of material that will work.

Councilor Zanmiller is empathetic to the applicant but looking at the criteria he will grant number one because even through it is not unique, other people have south facing decks. It is unusual that it continues to fail, and he trusts that it is not from something they are doing wrong. There is a mix of situations happening. He will grant criteria number 1, 2 and 3. On number 4, even the applicant said she has recommendations from contractors to do it one more time with an over deck to prevent the damage. He thinks that a seasonal sunshade with a lighter footprint rather than a heavy roof could be an option.

Councilor Saunders believes the Planning Commission is correct on criteria 2 and 3. She does not believe criteria 1 is a unique situation, others have experienced this issue. On criteria number 4, it goes into the burden of proof not being there. The hardship is there is potential water damage to the structure and there are solutions that do not involve increasing the height of the structure. She believes there could be potential options that have not been proved completely impossible. The burden of proof has not been fully met.

Councilor Haynie stated he agrees with his colleagues on Council. He would look past the first factor because it states unique or unusual. It does strike him unusual to have unfortunate combination of a bad deck, coupled with the zoning laws shortly after construction and a leaking water. He would not overturn the Planning Commission on criterial 1. Criterial 2 there is not enough to disrupt the Planning Commission finding. He has nothing for criteria 3. Criteria 4 is where it comes down to him, is this the minimum variance necessarily. He feels an effort was made by the applicant to look into this, but he heard things like no warranties for the new floor which seemed a little less than saying it cannot be redone. There might be other ways to get this done and still respect the zoning ordinance. He votes to sustain the decision of the Planning Commission.

Mayor McBride agrees with the Planning Commission's decision on criteria 2 and 3. Criteria 1 she is not sure. She believes there are other solutions for criteria 4 that could be pursued.

Motion: I move to affirm the Planning Commission decision and deny the appeal.
First: Metta
Second: Rivera
Discussion: None
Vote: Motion passed (roll called)
Ayes: McBride, Zanmiller, Saunders, Counihan, Metta, Haynie
Nays: None
Abstentions: None

Excused: None

5 Minutes Recess

2. ODOT Cascade/Rand Presentation and Resolution 2020-17, M. Janeck, W. Seaborn
Seaborn presented the staff report.

In July 2017 the City entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) for the design and construction of Cascade and Rand intersection improvements. This project is an important component of the City's planned transportation capital improvements. It will realign the Rand/Cascade intersection, provide a true pedestrian crossing and signalize the intersection. The City is funding its portion of the project through the Road SDC Fund – Capital Outlay. A more detailed discussion of the project budget is included in tonight's presentation.

The purpose of tonight's presentation is two-fold. First off, ODOT staff will provide an overview and update of the project status. Secondly, City staff will be requesting the passage of Resolution 2020-17. Resolution 2020-17 authorizes ODOT to use the power of eminent domain, if necessary, to acquire certain parcels of land described in Exhibit A to the resolution on behalf of the City. Eminent domain exists to protect both the property owner and the Agency. It is only exercised upon the failure to reach an agreement through all other negotiations. Eminent domain, or condemnation, ensures the property is transferred at a fair market value.

The Cascade and Rand intersection improvement project is just entering the right-of-way phase. Legal descriptions have been written for the parcels of land required to be obtained for the construction of the project. These legal descriptions, along with sketches depicting the areas, are included as Exhibit A to Resolution 2020-17. The purchases include fee title, permanent easements and temporary construction easements.

The next step in the process is property appraisals and negotiating purchase prices with the property owners. While ODOT has had preliminary contact with all affected property owners, they cannot begin the negotiation process without first being authorized to use the power of eminent domain, if necessary, through the passage of Resolution 2020-17.

Seaborn introduced Paul Scarlett Region 1 Manager, Cari Charlton Region 4 Consultant Project Manager, Caleb Stephens Region 4 Senior Right of Way Agent, Russ Norton Quincey Engineering Project Manager. Scarlett was unable to attend.

Get PowerPoint presentation from Wade

Charlton presented a PowerPoint presentation. The PowerPoint was added to the record.

Councilor Zanmiller stated he is excited about this intersection project. He has been on Council for eight years and it has been the City's number one intersection the entire time. He expressed his frustration in the amount of time it has taken, and the cost added to the City (\$1 million increased to \$3 million in the road fund). He wants the City and ODOT to be collaborative and work together on other intersections. The Mt Adams intersection is a huge entrance into the City, and it would be a great place for a traffic circle. He hopes they can find clever and collaborative opportunities to work together. He would like to see the public comments received.

Charlton will provide the public comments to Seaborn when they have been combined.

Motion: I move that on tonight's agenda we approve Resolution 2020-17, authorizing ODOT to use the power of eminent domain for the certain properties described in Exhibit A to Resolution 2020-17 on behalf of the City, if necessary.

First: Rivera

Second: Saunders

Discussion: None

Vote: Motion passed (roll called)
Ayes: McBride, Zammiller, Saunders, Counihan, Metta, Haynie
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
Excused: None

3. Waterfront Stormwater Line Financing – Resolution 2020-16, W. Norris, W. Seaborn
Norris provided the staff report.

A seasonal sinkhole has developed over a collapsed section of stormwater pipeline in the waterfront area that must be replaced. The failing corrugated metal pipeline was installed by the Army Corps of Engineers in the early 1960s. The City Council authorized Phase I Construction of the stormwater line replacement project at a special meeting on August 31st. This initial phase is necessary to stabilize the Hood River Distillers property ahead of the wet season. The following phases of the construction will occur over the next two to three years and are still undergoing final design and permitting.

The City Council received a financial report on the project at their April 13th meeting. The focus of that report was studying a Local Improvement District (LID). The meeting concluded without specific action on the LID because the Waterfront District Urban Renewal Funds were anticipated to be sufficient to pay the full funding gap.

The purpose of tonight's City Council Item is to approve an initial financing resolution authorizing partially forgivable Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and United State Department of Agriculture (USDA) project loans. This staff report also updates the City Council on the financial status of stormwater line replacement project in general.

Significant financial events since the last City Council update include:

Loss of Lottery Revenue Bond (\$1,700,000)

Hood River's legislative delegation obtained language in HB 5030 (2019) that authorized the State Treasurer "to issue lottery bonds in an amount that produces \$1.7 million in net proceeds [...] for distribution to the City of Hood River for replacement of the Hood River Waterfront storm line." The Oregon State Treasury notified the City in July that lottery revenues had declined to a point that the underlying bonds could no longer be sold to investors (see Exhibit A). While it is possible there may be a future bond sale, the City can no longer rely on this \$1.7 million in project funding.

Increased Project Costs (\$1,378,697)

The estimated public portion of the project costs increased from \$4.0M to \$5.4M. The largest upward cost revision is due to the addition of downtown stormwater pretreatment facilities and

construction of a maintenance road to access the facilities. This project component is required by environmental regulatory agencies as a condition of approval. It is possible this cost may be reduced by approximately \$500,000 if Union Pacific grants the City an access easement.

Administrative Delays

Project financing is typically in place prior to beginning construction. However, administrative processes have been moving abnormally slow due to COVID19. This meant that construction on the emergency project had to move forward while still undergoing State Historic Preservation Office review and subsequent public comment periods that are a precondition to DEQ financing. Because of this, only construction activities occurring after the public comment period is concluded may be financed. To accommodate this situation, Phase 1 construction was separated into a Phase 1A and Phase 1B components to delineate activities that cannot be DEQ financed. The City will need to finance Phase 1A construction activities locally, estimated at \$856,971. The Waterfront Urban Renewal District or a City interfund loan are two available options.

The updated project costs and available funding sources are included in Exhibit B. The exhibit shows the Phase 1A and Phase 1B construction cost breakdowns as well.

Current Status and Funding Resolution 2020-16:

The waterline replacement project funding gap stands at \$4,230,160. City staff understands from prior City Council discussion that Urban Renewal Dollars should be used to close the project funding gap first. However, the project funding gap now exceeds the approximately \$2.7 million in available waterfront urban renewal dollars by \$1.7 million. This means that the City must eventually identify funding from other local sources. Local revenue sources that the City has direct control of are stormwater rates, creation of a LID, or direct General Fund appropriations. The City may also pursue an increase to the Waterfront Urban Renewal District's authorized maximum indebtedness, but this will require the consent of a critical number of overlapping taxing districts.

The financing resolution is secured by the Full Faith and Credit of the City in the absence of an identified repayment source. This resolution allows the City to begin a 60-day published public comment period. At the conclusion of the comment period, additional financing resolutions specific to the DEQ and USDA will come before City Council.

Motion: I move to adopt Resolution 2020-16, authorizing financing through the Department of Environmental Quality and United States Department of Agriculture.
First: Sanders
Second: Zanmiller
Discussion: None
Vote: Motion passed (roll called)
Ayes: McBride, Zanmiller, Saunders, Counihan, Metta, Haynie
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
Excused: None

4. Bi-State Working Group Memorandum of Understanding, R. Fuller
Fuller stated this MOU outlines the work that the Mayor along with six other entities have

been doing for the replacement of the Hood River and White Salmon bridge. This is an interim step that outlines how they will work together, until legislature can form an official group.

Motion: I move to authorize the Mayor to sign the MOU on behalf of the City.
First: Metta
Second: Haynie
Discussion: None
Vote: Motion passed (roll called)
Ayes: McBride, Zanmiller, Saunders, Counihan, Metta, Haynie
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
Excused: None

V REPORT OF OFFICERS

A. Department Heads

1. Planning Commission Vacancy and Recruitment, D. Nilsen

Nilsen informed Council staff will be advertising two Planning Commissions positions. There was discussion on the process that will be used to interview and selection of candidates. Fuller noted staff will place in the next Council meeting packet the proposed plan for interview process and appointments based on the pilot program. Deadline to submit applications is December 1, 5pm.

B. City Recorder

1. Reading – Ordinance

Motion: To read Ordinance 2056 (Historic Buildings) for the first time by title only.
First: Saunders
Second: Metta
Discussion: None
Vote: Motion passed (roll called)
Ayes: McBride, Zanmiller, Saunders, Counihan, Metta, Haynie
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
Excused: None

Gray read the ordinance by title only. The Mayor announced that Ordinance 2056 had passed its first reading and would be read for the second and final time at the next regular meeting.

VI MAYOR

1. Indigenous Peoples Day - Resolution 2020-19

Resolution was approved by Council and read by the Mayor.

2. Letter of Support for Historic Highway Project

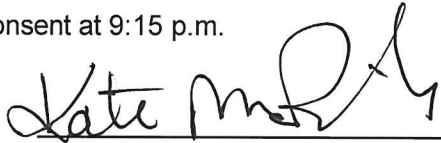
Former City Councilor Becky Brun is working on the project to finish the last part of the Historic Highway west of Hood River. Brun asked the Mayor if she would sign a letter of support for the completion of the project. Mayor and Council agreed to sign the letter of support.

Mayor McBride spoke about ODOT's No Drive Challenge – Get There Oregon.

VII COUNCIL CALL

Councilor Counihan spoke about the Tree Committee meeting held on October 6. There was good discussion and facilitation during the meeting.

VIII ADJOURN – Adjourned by unanimous consent at 9:15 p.m.



Kate McBride, Mayor



Jennifer Gray, City Recorder

Approved by City Council on 10/26/2020