



MINUTES

Wednesday, October 23, 2024
Meeting
Council Chambers, City Hall
Approved: November 20, 2024

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Alex Johnson II called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The mayor led the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call

Councilors present: Mayor Alex Johnson II and Councilors Matilda Novak, Steph Newton-Azorr, Ray Kopczynski, Jackie Montague, Marilyn Smith, and Ramycia McGhee (virtual)

Councilors absent: None

Public Hearing

6:01 p.m.

a. Proposed renaming of public street

OPEN: Mayor Alex Johnson II opened the public hearing at 6:01 p.m.

City Engineer Staci Belcastro said that when a new development is proposed, the applicant submits street names to the fire marshal for review. The new subdivision Thornton Place was platted with a street named Thornton Place and one named Thornton Lake Place. This could be confusing to residents and emergency services. The first homes will be occupied within a month. To avoid new residents having to change their addresses, the city engineer and fire marshal recommend changing the name of Thornton Lake Place to Charming Place immediately.

No one from the public wished to speak.

CLOSE: Johnson II closed the public hearing at 6:06 p.m.

City Attorney Sean Kidd read the ordinance for the first time in title only.

MOTION: Councilor Steph Newton-Azorr moved to have the ordinance read a second time in title only. Councilor Jackie Montague seconded the motion, which passed 6-0.

Kidd read the ordinance a second time in title only.

MOTION: Newton-Azorr moved to adopt the ordinance. Montague seconded the motion, which passed 6-0, and was designated Ordinance No. 6051.

Business from the Public

There was none.

Second reading of ordinances

6:08 p.m.

a. Renewing franchise agreements

1) Lightspeed Networks, Inc, dba LS Networks

This ordinance was read for the first time at the council meeting on October 9, 2024. Kidd read the ordinance for a second time in title only.

MOTION: Councilor Marilyn Smith moved to adopt the ordinance.

Councilor Matilda Novak said she's concerned about hazardous substances associated with underground utilities and cell towers. She cannot vote in favor.

Finance Director Jeanna Yeager said the ordinance is a franchise agreement. It is not an agreement to build anything.

City Manager Peter Troedsson said the mention of hazardous substances is in a paragraph that protects the City from litigation. It doesn't mean there are or will be any hazardous substances.



Councilor Ray Kopczynski seconded Smith's motion and it passed 5-1, with Novak voting against. It was designated Ordinance No. 6052.

2) Astound Broadband, LLC

This ordinance was read for the first time at the council meeting on October 9, 2024. Kidd read the ordinance for a second time in title only.

MOTION: Montague moved to adopt the ordinance. Kopczynski seconded the motion and it passed 5-1, with Novak voting against. It was designated Ordinance No. 6053.

First reading of ordinance

6:15 p.m.

a. Renewing franchise agreements

Kidd read the ordinance for the first time in title only.

MOTION: Smith moved to have the ordinance read for a second time in title only. Montague seconded the motion, and it passed 6-0.

Kidd read the ordinance for a second time in title only.

MOTION: Montague moved to adopt the ordinance. Councilor Ramycia McGhee seconded the motion, and it passed 6-0 and was designated Ordinance No. 6054.

Award of contract

6:19 pm

a. Special procurement for monitoring equipment

MOTION: Smith moved to adopt the resolution. Kopczynski seconded the motion, and it passed 6-0 and was designated Resolution No. 7361.

Adoption of Consent Agenda

6:21 p.m.

a. Approval of minutes

1) September 25, 2024, meeting

2) October 9, 2024, work session

b. Approval of agreement

1) IGA with City of Corvallis for shared equipment.

MOTION: Smith moved to adopt the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded and passed 6-0.

Business from the council

City Manager Report

Troedsson reminded the council of City Hall-o-ween October 29, 2024.

Next Meeting Dates

Monday, November 4, 2024; 4:00 p.m. work session

Wednesday, November 6, 2024; 6:00 p.m. meeting

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Allison Liesse
City Clerk

Peter Troedsson
City Manager

**Documents discussed at the meeting that are not in the agenda packet are archived in the record. Documents from staff are posted to the website after the meeting. Documents submitted by the public are available by emailing cityclerk@albanyoregon.org.*