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## **AUMSVILLE CITY COUNCIL**

#### March 11, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Mayor Angelica Ceja called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. Present in person: Mayor Angelica Ceja, Councilors Nico Casarez, Scott Lee, Della Seney, Katie Wallace, and Walter Wick. Council absent: Douglas Cox. Staff present: City Administrator (CA) Ron Harding present via Zoom, Public Works Director (PWD) Steve Oslie, Assistant City Administrator (ACA) Kirsti Pizzuto, and Community Outreach Coordinator (COC) Hayley Brewster. The meeting was video recorded to be released later.

**AGENDA APPROVAL:** Councilor Seney moved to approve the agenda with the addition of Resolution 02-24 OPRD Grant Application for Eastside Park Development Phase 1 and Resolution 03-24 OPRD Grant Application for Highberger Park Restrooms. Councilor Lee seconded. Council present voted unanimously to approve the agenda. Agenda approved.

**PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, & VISITORS:** COC Brewster presented an award to Council that the City received from the Oregon Festival and Events Association (OFEA) for the Aumsville Corn Festival for "Fundraising Festival of the Year." COC Brewster attended the annual OFEA conference and presented to the Council a summary of the classes she took while there. COC Brewster encouraged attendance in the future to further build city events.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Councilor Casarez moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Councilor Seney seconded the motion. Council present voted unanimously to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** 

#### A) Public Works Facility Soft Costs

PWD Oslie presented the staff report that detailed how the contractor can get better rates on supplies for the soft costs related to the new public works facility. PWD Oslie stated he is available for questions if the Council had any.

Mayor Ceja asked for a motion. Councilor Seney moved to approve RA Gray Change Order in the amount of \$74,286.00 as presented by staff. Councilor Wick seconded. Council present voted unanimously to pass the motion. Motion passed.

#### **B) Culpepper & Merriweather Proceeds Agreement**

CA Harding stated the City previously approved the event contract for the circus. Culpepper and Merriweather asked for an agreement on how proceeds would be given. CA Harding spoke to Finance Officer Hoyer about the process of giving proceeds to the circus and concluded that it is manageable. CA Harding then stated the agreement has been sent to the city attorney for review as well.

Councilor Casarez motioned to approve the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus Payment Contract as presented by staff. Councilor Seney seconded the motion. Council present voted unanimously to pass the motion. Motion passed.

# C) Resolution 02-24 OPRD Grant Application for Eastside Park Development Phase 1

ACA Pizzuto presented the staff report, stating the Park Planning Consultant met with city staff on options for the first phase of Eastside Park and the costs that could be associated. ACA Pizzuto made herself available for questions.

Mayor Ceja asked for a motion. Councilor Seney moved to approve Resolution 02-24 A Resolution Authorizing and Supporting the City of Aumsville Application for Oregon Parks and Recreation Department's Large Grant for Phase One Development of Eastside Park as presented by staff. Councilor Casarez seconded the motion. Council present voted unanimously to approve the motion. Motion passed.

### D) Resolution 03-24 OPRD Grant Application for Highberger Park Restrooms

ACA Pizzuto presented the staff report, stating the city is only applying for the restrooms at Highberger Park. ACA Pizzuto made herself available for questions.

Mayor Ceja asked for a motion. Councilor Casarez moved to approve Resolution 03-24 A Resolution Authorizing and Supporting the City of Aumsville Application for Oregon Parks and Recreation Department Large Grant for Highberger Park Improvements as presented by staff. Councilor Lee seconded the motion. Council present voted unanimously to approve the motion. Motion passed.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:** CA Harding updated Council that the city received the recertification for Tree City this year. CA Harding informed Council that the Public Works Building is moving forward well and encouraged Council and city residents to drive by to see the progress.

CA Harding informed Council that city staff has been working on tracking legislative bills because there are new bills that will impact the City and the approach to development in the community.

CA Harding told Council the City did receive 4 million dollars in funding on the Capital Funding Bill that the Governor will most likely be signing soon, which will be used for to the wastewater project.

**MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS AND INITIATIVES:** Councilor Casarez wanted to remind Council to get their ethics reports turned in to the state, and encouraged Council to attend the State of the County Presentation.

Mayor Ceja stated she had acquired her tickets for the State of the County Presentations.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER: None.** 

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

Mayor Ceja adjourned the meeting without prejudice at 7:23 PM.

Mach 11, 2024 minutes unanimously approved by Council present on March 25, 2024.