

MINUTES
Warrenton City Commission
Work Session – May 14, 2019
5:30 p.m.
Warrenton City Hall - Commission Chambers
225 S. Main
Warrenton, OR 97146

Mayor Balensifer called the work session to order at 5:30 p.m.

City Commissioners Present: Mayor Balensifer, Mark Baldwin and Rick Newton

Absent: Pam Ackley and Tom Dyer

Staff Present: City Manager Linda Engbretson, Finance Director April Clark, Public Works Director Collin Stelzig, Public Works Operations Manager Kyle Sharpsteen, Police Chief Mathew Workman, Police Detective Tyler Johnston, Community Development Director Kevin Cronin, Deputy City Recorder Lindsay Duarte, and City Recorder Dawne Shaw

Public Works Director Collin Stelzig gave an update on N. Main and NW 7th Place improvements. He reviewed a slide presentation, and provided a copy for the record. He gave an estimate on the street improvements of \$2,579,896, for approximately 3,000 feet of road. Discussion continued on the having sidewalks on both sides, when there is a trail on one side. Mayor Balensifer suggested posting 3 different designs and getting input from the neighborhood; since they will be the most affected by it. Discussion continued on whether a sidewalk on both sides of the street is needed. Mr. Stelzig reviewed funding options. Ms. Engbretson noted a previous discussion where it was determined that when there will not be development on both sides of the street, sidewalks would not be required on both sides; it would be a waste of money. Brief discussion continued on LID's.


Mr. Stelzig stated he is looking for some direction from the Commission. Commissioner Newton noted the agreement seems to be that having sidewalks on both sides of N. Main is not needed. Commissioner Baldwin stated he hopes the City is using the same decision making process for the developers. Ms. Engbretson said she believes we are. Discussion followed and it was noted there is also the option of "in lieu of." Discussion continued. It was noted there is a wetland and a trail on one side, and there is no public benefit for sidewalks on both sides. Mr. Stelzig stated he could see no sidewalks on N. Main, just improving trail access to make it safer for people. Mayor Balensifer noted for the record the trail there is highly improved, it is a paved trail; it is a main thoroughfare trail in the city. Mr. Cronin stated there is a broader policy discussion that needs to happen down the road. He suggested LID's as one way to get some of these streets done. He noted 9th Street is in desperate need of an LID. Mr. Cronin stated they need to bring something back to the Commission in the next few months about an LID policy. Brief discussion followed.

Mr. Stelzig noted the need to have a meeting with the property owners; Mayor Balensifer suggested sending a letter to all people that own property on both roads, and to have a meeting much like the charrette, with visuals, and get their feedback. The Commission agreed they are fine with a 28' road, with sidewalks on one side.

Police Detective Tyler Johnston, a resident on N. Main encouraged the Commission to consider a wider roadway. He stated having a designated sidewalk is safer, and recommended sidewalks on both sides. Brief discussion continued.

There being no further business, Mayor Balensifer adjourned the work session at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVED:


Henry A. Balensifer III, Mayor

ATTEST:


Dawne Shaw, City Recorder