



## City of Florence Council Regular Session

In Person & Videoconference  
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May 6, 2024

## AGENDA

5:30 p.m.

Councilors:

Rob Ward, Mayor

Sally Wantz, Council President  
Jo Beaudreau, Councilor

Bill Meyer, Council Vice-President  
Robert Carp, Councilor

With 48-hour prior notice, an interpreter and/or TTY: 541-997-3437, can be provided for the hearing impaired.  
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<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6160438745037687136>

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Citizens wishing to express their views may submit comments in writing or verbally. For more information, please see the end of this agenda or visit the [City of Florence website](http://www.ci.florence.or.us).

### CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 2024 Rhododendron Festival Month Proclamation and Introduction of the Court.
- Proclamations for Bike Month, Economic Development Month, Police Week, and Drinking Water Week.

Mayor Ward

### 1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This is an opportunity for members of the public to bring to the Council's attention any item not otherwise listed on the agenda. *Please see the end of this agenda for methods to provide comments on items that are not on the agenda.*

### PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

*Please see the end of this agenda for methods to provide testimony on public hearing items.*

### 2. NORTHWEST 9<sup>TH</sup> STREET REAL ESTATE TRANSACTION PUBLIC HEARING

#### A. PUBLIC HEARING ON NW 9<sup>TH</sup> STREET REAL ESTATE TRANSACTION

Hear and consider written and oral testimony regarding the proposed sale of City property located between Greenwood Street and the undeveloped platted rights-of-way (ROW) of Fir, 10th, and 11th Streets, north of 9th Street for Tax Lots 01100 and 01200 Map 18-12-27-31 in the City of Florence, Lane County, Oregon.

#### B. NW 9<sup>TH</sup> STREET PROPERTY REAL ESTATE TRANSACTION

Consider authorizing the sale of the Northwest 9<sup>th</sup> Street City owned properties for Tax Lots 01100 and 01200, Map 18-12-27-31 as discussed during the April 15, 2024 City Council Meeting and authorizing the execution of the Real Estate Purchase and Sales Agreement (REPSA) based upon the agreed upon terms and all other necessary documents to complete the transaction on behalf of the City.

Erin  
Reynolds  
City Manager

**3. 35<sup>TH</sup> STREET AND RHODODENDRON DRIVE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AND MULTI-USE PATH REIMBURSEMENT DISTRICT PUBLIC HEARING**

**A. PUBLIC HEARING ON REIMBURSEMENT DISTRICT**

Hear and consider written and oral testimony regarding the completion of a reimbursement district for the 35<sup>th</sup> Street and Rhododendron Drive Intersection Improvements and Multi-Use Path Construction Project.

Mike Miller  
Public Works  
Director

**B. 35<sup>TH</sup> STREET AND RHODODENDRON DRIVE INTERSECTION REIMBURSEMENT DISTRICT**

Consider approval of Resolution No. 7, Series 2024, a resolution approving the completion of the 35<sup>th</sup> Street and Rhododendron Drive Reimbursement District.

**4. RHODODENDRON FESTIVAL VENDOR FAIR STREET CLOSURE REQUEST**

**A. PUBLIC HEARING ON STREET CLOSURE**

Hear and consider written and oral testimony regarding the proposed closure of Maple Street from 1<sup>st</sup> Street to Bay Street in Old Town from Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 for the Rhododendron Festival Vendor Fair.

Lezlea  
Purcell  
Finance  
Manager

**B. RHODODENDRON FESTIVAL STREET CLOSURE REQUEST**

Consider approval of the street closure application as applied for by the Florence Area Chamber of Commerce.

**ACTION ITEMS**

*Please see the end of this agenda for methods to provide comments on action items.*

**5. COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICE (COPS) GRANT APPLICATION**

Consider approval of Resolution No. 8, Series 2024, a resolution authorizing the City of Florence, Oregon to apply for a Grant from the United States Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Service (COPS) to assist with the funding of the School Resource Officer (SRO).

John Pitcher  
Chief of Police

**6. STATE OF OREGON LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION FOR A CITY OF FLORENCE WATER, SEWER, AND WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE**

As identified in Senate Bill (SB) 1530 of the 2024 Oregon Legislative Session, the City of Florence was awarded a direct allocation of \$1.9 Million of General Fund appropriation as managed by Business Oregon. The purpose of this appropriation is to fund infrastructure improvements for the NW 9<sup>th</sup> Street neighborhood to stimulate development of housing units. Prior to moving forward with applying for the grant award and filling out the required grant contract intake form, the City Council will hear a report from staff regarding the terms of the grant agreement and consider providing the City Manager with authorization to proceed with preparing a response to the State demonstrating the City's eligibility to receive the funding as an infrastructure project to support the development of housing under the bill guidelines.

Erin  
Reynolds  
City Manager

**REPORT & DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**7. DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR UPDATES**

- 2024 Economic Development Annual Report
- City of Florence 2024 Community Survey

Management  
Team

**8. CITY MANAGER REPORT & DISCUSSION ITEM**

Erin  
Reynolds  
City Manager

<b>COUNCIL CALENDAR</b>		
<i>All meetings are held in person with a virtual option unless otherwise indicated</i>		
Date	Time	Description
May 9, 2024	8:45 a.m.	City Council Executive Session
May 9, 2024	9:15 a.m.	City Council Work Session
May 20, 2024	5:30 p.m.	City Council Meeting

**PUBLIC MEETINGS PROCEDURES**

The May 6, 2024 City Council meeting will be held in person, with the option to view / listen to the meeting virtually through the GotoWebinar platform.

**Expressing Views to the City Council:** Citizens wishing to express their views to the City Council may do so in both written and verbal formats.

1. Written Testimony: Citizens wishing to express their views to the City Council are encouraged to submit written testimony in one of the following ways:
  - a. Submit written comments via email to City Recorder at [cityrecorder@ci.florence.or.us](mailto:cityrecorder@ci.florence.or.us);
  - b. Mail written comments to Florence City Hall, Attn: City Council, 250 Hwy 101, Florence, OR 97439
  - c. Drop off written comments at Florence City Hall (250 Hwy 101) during regular office hours (Monday through Friday 8 a.m. – Noon and 1:00 p.m. – 4 p.m.) or at the City of Florence drop box located at Florence City Hall to the right of the main entrance.

**\*\* Note:** Written comments received at least 2 hours prior to the meeting (May 6, 2024 at 3:30 p.m.) will be distributed to the City Council, posted to the City of Florence website, and made part of the record.
2. Verbal Testimony: Citizens wishing to express their views to the City Council may participate in the meeting at Florence City Hall or via GoToWebinar. To do so, please complete a speaker’s card online at [www.ci.florence.or.us/council/request-address-city-council-speakers-card](http://www.ci.florence.or.us/council/request-address-city-council-speakers-card) at least 1 hour prior to the meeting (May 6, 2024 at 4:30 p.m.). City staff will then contact the speaker to let them know the process to participate in the meeting.
  - a. Public Comments on items not on the agenda: General public comments (on items not on the City Council agenda) will be allowed at each City Council meeting during the public comment agenda item. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per person, with a maximum of 15 minutes for all items. In practicality, this means no more than five individuals will be allowed to comment verbally. There is no limit on written public comments.
  - b. Public Hearing Testimony: Testimony on public hearing items will be allowed when a public hearing is held. Verbal comments will be allowed on public hearing items after staff has given their report and have allowed time for initial Council questions. In general (with some exceptions for Land Use hearings), comments are limited to five minutes per person with no limit on the number of speakers.
  - c. Public Comments on Action Items: Public Comments will be allowed on each action item on the City Council agenda. Verbal comments will be allowed on action items after staff has given their report and have allowed time for initial Council questions. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per person, with a maximum of 15 minutes for all comments on each action item. In practicality, this means no more than five (5) individuals will be allowed to comment verbally. There is no limit on written public comments.