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**City of Florence
City Council Meeting
Held at Florence Events Center
715 Quince Street, Florence, Oregon
Final Action Minutes
May 7, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Councilors Present: Mayor Joe Henry, Councilors Joshua Greene, Ron Preisler, Susy Lacer.

Councilors Absent: Councilor Woody Woodbury

Staff Present: City Manager Erin Reynolds, Public Works Director Mike Miller, Chief of Police Tom Turner, Planning Director Wendy FarleyCampbell, City Recorder / Economic Development Coordinator Kelli Weese and City Project Manager Megan Messmer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS

- 2018 Rhododendron Court
- If I Were Mayor Contest Winners
- Safe Boating Week Proclamation – May 19th – 25th, 2018
- Employee Introductions & Recognitions
 - Karin Guy – Court Clerk
 - Mike Wheeler – Utility Worker 1
 - Ken Larson – Police Officer - 25 Years of Service
 - Kelli Weese – City Recorder / Economic Development Coordinator – 10 years of service
- Chamber of Commerce Annual Report – Bettina Hannigan, Executive Director

Start Time: 5:30 p.m.

Handouts: If I Were Mayor Posters and Essay
Chamber of Commerce PowerPoint
Chamber of Commerce Membership Directory

Discussion: The 2018 Rhododendron Court was presented to the City Council. Mayor Henry presented the winners of the If I Were Mayor Contest. Mayor Henry presented the Safe Boating Week Proclamation. Employees were introduced / recognized. Ms. Bettina Hannigan presented the Florence Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Report.

Agenda Amendment: Mayor Henry elected to move Agenda Item # 6 concerning the Aviation Park to the beginning of the agenda.

6. BEN KING MEMORIAL AVIATION PARK REPORT

Report on the status and timeline for the Ben King Memorial Aviation Park.

Start Time: 6:29 p.m.

Handouts: PowerPoint Presentation

Discussion: The City Council discussed...

- Timeline for memorial creation and potential for a phased approach
- Possibilities of addition of art pieces within project

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Items Not on the Agenda

This is an opportunity for members of the audience to bring to the Council's attention any item not otherwise listed on the Agenda. Persons wishing to address the Council must complete a Speaker's Card available online at <http://www.ci.florence.or.us/council/request-address-city-council-speakers-card>, or at the meeting. Speakers Cards are due at least (5) minutes before the meeting. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per person, with a maximum time of 15 minutes for all items. Speakers may not yield their time to others.

Start Time: 6:42 p.m.

Comments: None

CONSENT AGENDA

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Consider approval of the December 11, 2017 City Council works session, December 18, 2017 City Council regular meeting, January 8, 2018 City Council regular meeting, January 16, 2018 City Council special work session, January 18, 2018 City Council special work session, January 22, 2018 City Council regular meeting and February 5, 2018 City Council regular meeting minutes.

Start Time: 6:43 p.m.

Action: Approve the consent agenda items as presented

Motion: Councilor Lacer

Second: Councilor Preisler

Vote: Unanimous, Councilor Woodbury was absent

PUBLIC HEARING & ACTION ITEMS

The public will have an opportunity to offer comments on public hearing items after staff has given their report, and if there is an applicant, after they have had an opportunity to speak. Persons wishing to address the Council must complete a Speaker's Card available online at <http://www.ci.florence.or.us/council/request-address-city-council-speakers-card>, or at the meeting. Speaker's Cards are due at least five (5) minutes before the meeting. Comments will be limited to five (5) minutes per person. Speakers may not yield their time to others.

3. RHODODENDRON FESTIVAL VENDOR FAIR STREET CLOSURE REQUEST

A. PUBLIC HEARING

Hear and consider written and oral testimony regarding the proposed closure of Maple Street between 1st and Bay Streets in Old Town from Friday May 18, 2018 to Sunday, May 20, 2018 for the Rhododendron Festival Vendor Fair.

- Start Time: 6:43 p.m.
Public Hearing: Opened at 6:48 p.m. and hearing no comments immediately closed.
- Discussion: The City Council discussed...
- Overall number of vendors for the street closure
- Applicant: Terry Abeyta – Florence Area Chamber of Commerce
- Total number of vendors vs. the number of vendor spaces

B. RHODODENDRON FESTIVAL STREET CLOSURE REQUEST

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

- Action: Approve the request to temporarily close a city street as identified in the application with the conditions specified.
- Motion: Councilor Preisler
- Second: Councilor Greene
- Vote: Unanimous

ACTION ITEMS

The public will have an opportunity to offer comments on action items after staff has given their report. Persons wishing to address the Council must complete a Speaker's Card available online at <http://www.ci.florence.or.us/council/request-address-city-council-speakers-card>, or at the meeting. Speaker's cards are due at least five (5) minutes before the meeting. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per person. Speakers may not yield their time to others.

4. INITIATION OF FLORENCE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS

Consider approval of comprehensive plan amendments related to the Housing and Economic Opportunities Project and Tsunami & Earthquake amendments corresponding to the Oregon Coastal Management program 2015 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Coastal Program grant.

Start Time: 6:48 p.m.
 Handout: PowerPoint Presentation
 Discussion: The City Council discussed...

- Natural Gas vs. Renewable energy and inclusion of each within the proposed comprehensive plan economic development chapter
- Clarification on drafts of the comprehensive plan and purposes of strike out versions
- Timeline and next steps

 Comments: Councilors Preisler and Greene

Action: Initiate proposed amendments to the Florence Realization 2020 Comprehensive Plan as proposed or with changes as directed by Council.

Motion: Councilor Lacer
 Second: Councilor Greene
 Vote: Unanimous, Councilor Woodbury was absent

REPORT & DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. 2018 CITY COUNCIL ELECTION PROCESS

Overview of the 2018 City Council election process and timeline for the City of Florence Mayor & Council candidates.

Start Time: 7:12 p.m.
 Handout: PowerPoint Presentation
 Discussion: The City Council discussed...

- Ease of election process

7. CITY MANAGER REPORT & DISCUSSION ITEMS

Start Time: 7:24 p.m.
 Discussion: The City Council discussed...

- City Council and other city upcoming meetings
- Utility billing updates
- Building Codes Division updates
- Public Art Program 'Horse' Donation at Senior Center

8. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS


Start Time: 7:31 p.m.
 Discussion: The City Council discussed...


- Council activities in the community and community announce

- Upcoming elections including:
 - Councilor Lacer's intention not to run for City Council
 - Potential for persons to run for the City Council including youth and advice for those thinking about running
 - Appreciation for Mayors and Councilors who came before including Mr. Terynik

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

ATTEST:



Joe Henry, Mayor

Kelli Weese, City Recorder