



**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TOWN HALL
January 20, 2021 — 5:00 p.m.**

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1. Call to Order/Roll Call at 5:01 p.m.

Members Present:	Members Absent:
Chair Ayers-Flood Member Ponomareff Member Clark Member Byers Member Volkart	
Also Present:	
Jon Legarza, Executive Director	

2. Speakers Heard on Non-Agenda Items

Nancy Buono of Talent, Oregon

Buono spoke about developing the Gateway Site with the Ashland Food Co-Op. Buono discussed how the Co-Op emailed the City and the Agency about their interest in the City. Buono discussed the Co-Op's plan and how they align with the Gateway Site. Buono discussed how the Agency and leadership should work to continue to follow up on the Co-Op's interest in the site. Buono discussed the role of the Agency. Buono requested that the Agency and the leadership continue to work for the benefit the entire community.

3. Consent Agenda

3.1 Approval of Meeting Minutes for November 18th, December 2nd and 16th, 2020

Motion: Member Clark moves to approve the meeting minutes for November 18th, December 2nd, and 16th of 2020. Ponomareff seconded.

Discussion: None.

Vote: 2-0; motion carries (Aye – Ponomareff, Clark | Abstain (not present): Byers, Volkart)

3.2 Approval of Healthy Sustainable Communities Contract Amendment

Motion: Member Clark moves to approve Healthy Sustainable Communities contract amendment. Volkart seconded.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes; motion carries.

4. Regular Agenda

4.1 Rogue Valley Sewer Easement Approval, Gateway Site

Staff Report – Executive Director

Legarza discussed the proposed easement and installation of a main line on the Gateway Site with the Board Members. Legarza also presented the map of where the line would be installed on the Gateway Site. Legarza recommended approval of the easement to the Board of Directors.

Discussion:

- None

Motion: Member Byers moves to approve the easement for Rogue Valley Sewer and Talent Urban Renewal agency and allow the Executive Director to sign the easement agreement. Ponomareff seconded.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes; motion carries.

4.2 Urban Renewal Grant Program Revamp, Recovery Grant Program

Staff Report – Executive Director

Legarza discussed two potential new grant programs that could help fund both market studies and beautification within the Agency's boundaries. Legarza stated that the proposed motion before the Board would direct staff to continue to complete due-diligence on expanding the scope of the rehabilitation grant programs to fit Talent's post-fire landscape and needs.

Discussion:

- None

Motion: Member Clark moves to direct staff to complete further diligence on the Agency's grant program, and bring back recommendations for the Board of Directors in a future board meeting. Byers seconded.

Discussion: Member Clark thanked Legarza for bringing this forward to the Board of Directors and thinking proactively about how the rejuvenate the fire impacted parts of Talent.

Vote: All ayes; motion carries.

5. Items from Executive Director

Legarza discussed the upcoming Town Hall on the Gateway Site, and the continued effort of the Agency to identify funding partners for the long-term infrastructure work on the Gateway Site.

6. Items from Chair or Agency Members

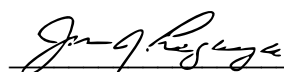
Chair Ayers-Flood thanked Buono for her comments. Legarza updated the Board about the progress of the Co-Op coming into Talent and previous meetings with the Co-Op.

Member Volkart confirmed the time of the upcoming Council meeting at 6:45pm.

Member Clark discussed the Urban Forestry Committee's review of the landscape of the Gateway Site. Legarza thanked Clark. Ayers-Flood also thanked Clark and Legarza.

7. Adjournment at 5:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Jon Legarza, Executive Director

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