

# **City of Oregon City**

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# Meeting Minutes - Final City Commission

Dan Holladay, Mayor Carol Pauli, Commission President Brian Shaw, Rocky Smith, Jr., Renate Mengelberg

Wednesday, November 4, 2015

5:30 PM

**Commission Chambers** 

#### **SPECIAL MEETING**

### 1. Convene Special Meeting of November 4, 2015

Mayor Holladay called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

#### 2. Roll Call

Present: 5 - Commissioner Brian Shaw, Commissioner Rocky Smith, Commissioner

Carol Pauli, Mayor Dan Holladay and Commissioner Renate Mengelberg

Staffers: 3 - Community Development Director Tony Konkol, City Recorder Kattie

Riggs and Economic Development Manager Eric Underwood

#### 3. General Business

**3a.** Interviews for Urban Renewal Commission

5:30 pm Christopher, Timothy

The City Commission interviewed Timothy Christopher.

The Commission asked the following list of questions:

- 1. Please provide us with a brief introduction of yourself, your background and experience, and why you want to serve on the City's Urban Renewal Commission.
- 2. In your opinion, what is the role or purpose of Urban Renewal and what is your general understanding of how Urban Renewal works?
- 3. Do you have any specific projects or goals for Urban Renewal that you support and any experience that could assist with accomplishing this?
- 4. Are there Urban Renewal projects or goals that you do not support and that should be either eliminated or replaced with other projects or goals?
- 5. Do you think Oregon City citizens are well informed about Urban Renewal and are there ways we could help to further educate the community about Urban Renewal?
- 6. If chosen, what do you think your role would be and what would be your expectations as a member of the Urban Renewal Commission?

7. Do you have any additional comments or is there anything that you would like to ask the Commission?

Mayor Holladay asked if selected to be on the Urban Renewal Commission, would Mr. Christopher be likely to vote for projects or to open a new Urban Renewal area. Mr. Christopher explained that he thinks Urban Renewal is good for Oregon City and has done good things so far. He agrees that it should continue.

Mr. Christopher asked the Commission what has been the biggest road block for pro smart, pro active Urban Renewal and how they have handled them. Mayor Holladay said it has been a small minority of citizens. Commissioner Shaw explained that there was a small minority of citizens that made it uncomfortable for developers to come to Oregon City.

Commissioner Pauli asked if Mr. Christopher had anything to say about Tax Increment Financing, and asked if he was familiar with the other projects the Urban Renewal Commission had going on right now inside the district. Mr. Christopher referred to the beautification on Main Street and Commissioner Pauli clarified she was asking about projects other than that such as the Cove project or the potential at the Landfill site. Mr. Christopher said the Cove project has changed over the years, but he thinks it has potential of being a benefit to the City as long as it developed smartly.

## 4. Adjournment

Mayor Holladay adjourned the meeting at 5:46 p.m.	
Respectfully submitted,	
Kattie Riggs, City Recorder	