

**City of Lowell, Oregon**  
**Minutes of the City Council Regular Session & Executive Session**  
**October 5, 2021**

The Regular Session was called to order at 7:03 PM by Mayor Bennett.

**Members Present:** Mayor Don Bennett, Gail Harris, Tim Stratis, Maureen Weathers, John Myers

**Staff Present:** CA Jeremy Caudle, Public Works Director Max Baker

**Consent Agenda:** Councilor Stratis moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, second by Councilor Myers. PASS 5:0

**Public Comments:** None

**Council Comments:** None

**City Administrator Report:** None

**New Business:**

**1. Selection of a design option for the Maggie Osgood Library / City Hall construction project.**

**a. City Administrator presentation** – Results from the household survey and town hall meeting

**b. City Council questions and discussion**

**c. Comments from Mayor Bennett**

- **Councilor Weathers made a Motion to select Option 1B for the Library/City Hall design, this was seconded by Councilor Harris. PASS 4:1. Mayor Bennet called for a roll call vote: Mayor Bennett Aye, Councilor Harris Aye, Councilor Stratis Aye, Councilor Myers Nay, Councilor Weathers Aye: PASS 4:1**
- **Councilor Weathers made a Motion to direct the City Administrator to apply for the loan in totality, pursue the Ford Family Grant, and initiate the sale of surplus properties to assist in financing the project. PASS 4:1. Mayor Bennet called for a roll call vote: Mayor Bennett Aye, Councilor Harris Aye, Councilor Stratis Aye, Councilor Myers Nay, Councilor Weathers Aye: PASS 4:1**

**2. Review volunteer application submitted by William D. Priser for the Planning Commission. Councilor Stratis made a motion to appoint William Priser to the planning commission. This was seconded by Councilor Weathers. PASS 5:0**

**3. An “Option agreement for East Boundary Street property in Lowell, Oregon” in the amount of \$475.00 and to authorize the City Administrator to sign. CA presented option agreement; the City could exercise an option to purchase at any time within the next 3 years for the \$47,500.00 purchase price. This alternative provides a streamlined way for the City to acquire the property without having to spend \$47,500 right now. The County is agreeing to grant the City the option for \$475.00. Motion moved to authorize the City Administrator to sign “Option agreement for East Boundary Street property in Lowell,**

Oregon” with Lane County in the amount of \$475.00 by Councilor Weathers; Councilor Harris offered a second. PASS 5:0

4. Motion to approve an “Animal Services Enforcement Services” contract with Lane County and to authorize the City Administrator to sign. CA Caudle presented Lane County is proposing to renew the agreement for 5 years. The City will be charged \$96.11 per hour for animal services. This includes calls related to animal bites, dangerous animals, injured animals, and neglect/abuse calls. Councilor Stratis made a motion to approve, Councilor Harris seconded. PASS 5:0

5. Resolution #770, “A resolution to add a signatory to the City of Lowell. Motion moved by Councilor Harris; second by Councilor Stratis. PASS 5:0

**Other Business:**

1. Paul Fisher park update regarding the Shade Tree discussion given by CA Caudle. Discussed the meeting involving Parks Committee Chair Hall O’Regan, Public Works Director Max Baker, CA Caudle, and David Dougherty of Dougherty Landscape Architects, toured the park and discussed design and planting options.

**Community comments:** None

**Regular meeting adjourned at 8:24pm**

**Executive Session Convened at 8:31 pm**

**Members Present:** Mayor Don Bennett, Gail Harris, Tim Stratis, John Myers, Maureen Weathers,

**Staff Present:** CA Jeremy Caudle,

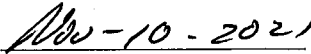
**To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions, pursuant to O.R.S. 192.660(2)(e).**

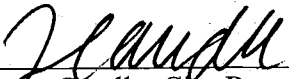
**Adjourn the Executive Session. At 8:45 pm**

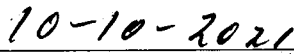
**Mayor Comments:** None

**Councilor Comments:** None

Approved:   
Don Bennett, Mayor

  
Date

Attest:   
Jeremy Caudle, City Recorder

  
Date