

**City of Dundee
City Council Meeting Minutes
February 18, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor David Ford called the meeting to order at 6:59 P.M.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Ford opened the public hearing pertaining to the partial vacation of SW 13th Street. City Planner, Doug Rux approached Council to enter the staff report, all attachments, ordinance, and additional information into the record. A detailed report was provided starting on page three of the agenda packet.

M. Ford opened the floor to any public testimony, with John Olivier (SKB) available for questions. Olivier clarified that only a partial right-of-way to the North was affected, the street would continue, and additional land was being dedicated. Leah Blake then approached Council, expressing concerns about the street's future use, preserving the walkway, and maintaining a neighborhood-friendly environment for children and pedestrians.

A brief discussion ensued.

ACTION: Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 590-2025, an Ordinance Approving Partial Vacation of SW 13th Street Right-of-Way Between Highway 99W and SW Alder Street.

Motion: C. Chiper

Second: C. Caruso

Vote: C. Hinson, C. Weaver, C. Nelson, C. Weil, M. Ford

Mayor Ford closed the public hearing at 7:17 P.M.

COUNCIL AND STAFF ATTENDANCE

Attendance Mayor David Ford; City Council President Storr Nelson; City Councilors Bryan Weil, Alex Chiper and Michael Caruso. Via Zoom: David Hinson (9:05 P.M.). Absent: City Councilor Tim Weaver.

Staff Attendance: City Administrator, Steve Dahl; City Attorney, Ashley Wigod; City Planner, Doug Rux; Fire Chief, Brandon Hamilton; Public Works Superintendent, Chuck Simpson and Administrative Assistant / Assistant City Recorder, Kenzie Nagel.

Public Attendance:

Peter Donor, 780 SE Locust Street; Heather, Michael and Soren Walsh, 1359 SW Charles Street; Rob Daykin, 720 SW Scotsman Court; Mike Westgard, 225 SW Dogwood Drive; Wanda and Jay

Manchester, 1326 SW Alder Street; Leah Blake, 1180 SW Alder Street; Jessica Harrington, 810 SW Alder Street; Sondra Storm with Tourism Committee. Via Zoom: Bethany Caruso, 179 SW 9th Street and John Olivier with Scanlan Kemper Board (SKB).

AGENDA CHANGES

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jay Manchester approached Council to further discuss the 13th Street development regarding utilities. A brief discussion ensued.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda

5.1 City Council Minutes, February 4, 2025

5.2 Budget Narrative

5.3 Budget Financial Summary

5.4 City Council Goals

5.5 Police Report Ending January 2025

5.6 Fire Lieutenant Job Description

ACTION: Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion: C. Weaver

Second: C. Nelson

Vote: C. Caruso, C. Weil, C. Chiper, C. Hinson, M. Ford

OLD BUSINESS:

OREGON IFA LOAN FOR AFFLUENT PLANT REPLACEMENT FILTER

C.A. Dahl noted past issues with the filters with a wastewater plant summary report detailing the plant's history. He asked Council for no decisions tonight and instead outline a path forward. Public Works Superintendent Chuck Simpson then explained the report. A lengthy discussion followed.

MAYOR'S COMMITTEES

M. Ford distributed a handout outlining work group topics and assigned councilors, covering budget and finance, fire, water source, and school property. A brief discussion ensued. City Atty. Wigod clarified the distinction between the work groups' role in fact-finding versus making decisions to bring to Council.

NEW BUSINESS:

APPOINTMENT TO PLANNING COMMISSION

C.A. Dahl explained that two applications were submitted for the vacant Planning Commission seat and recommended Mike Westgard. Westgard introduced himself to Council and explained his interest in the position. A brief discussion ensued.

ACTION: Motion to Appoint Mike Westgard to the Planning Commission.

Motion: C. Hinson

Second: C. Caruso

Vote: C. Chiper, C. Weil, C. Weaver, C. Nelson, M. Ford

RE-APPOINTMENT TO TOURISM COMMITTEE

C.A. Dahl noted three expired terms on the Tourism Committee. A brief discussion followed regarding committee size and who can join.

ACTION: Motion to Reappoint Megan Carda, Jennifer Sitter, and Mary Gregoire to the Tourism Committee.

Motion: C. Weaver

Second: C. Nelson

Vote: C. Weil, C. Caruso, C. Hinson, C. Chiper, M. Ford

COUNCIL CONCERNS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

C. Caruso informed Council that McMenamins' owners were unaware of the old school property but might have potential interest. He said he would provide updates as he receives more information.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- M. Ford briefly discussed the Parkway Committee, confirming C. Weil's participation.
- The 9th Street sidewalks are now complete.
- The school board position is now vacant, and any interested individuals are encouraged to apply.
- Progress on Sander Estate Park is underway – working with the City Attorney and CPRD.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- C.A. Dahl reported having met with CPRD to discuss a plan that will be presented at the next meeting.


- A meeting was held with PGE to discuss developments within the city.
- The Fire Department's new shift schedule will begin shortly.
- The auditor has returned from vacation, and the audit inquiry is now underway.
- Zply will begin installing a new phone system, and city phones may be down for a couple of hours.
- February 25th – The City of Dundee's 130th birthday

PUBLIC COMMENT

Rob Daykin addressed Council to advocate for the proposal to replace the filters. He discussed the grant and examined budget system issues, considering whether to allocate funds for plant replacement or explore other options.


Peter Donor approached Council, suggesting the handouts provided during meetings be included in the agenda packet for full transparency. He also gave an update on his meeting regarding the Destination Dundee process, explaining the project and the group members involved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 P.M.



David Ford, Mayor

Attest:



Steve Dahl, City Administrator/Recorder