



Minutes of the Oregon State Fair Council Regular Meeting

March 19, 2020

Oregon State Fair & Exposition Center – Cascade Hall-McKenzie Room

Audio Recorded: Yes

I. Call to Order: The meeting convened at 1:30 p.m. with Chair Kevin Cameron presiding.

II. Roll Call: The attendance, both in person and by phone, was recorded as shown below:

Present:

Kevin Cameron, Chair
Vicki Berger, Vice Chair
Loyal Burns, Council Member
Jon Chandler, Council Member
Gene Derfler, Council Member
Dana Jung, Council Member
Austin McGuigan, Council Member
Leah Perkins-Hagele, Council Member
Sen. Arnie Roblan, Advisory Council Member
Craig Smith, Council Member
Mike Paluszak, Director/CEO

Non-Present:

George Jennings, Council Member
Rep. Mike Nearman, Advisory Council Member
Steve Powers, Advisory Council Member

III. Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was made by all parties present.

IV. Presentations: None

V. Approval of Minutes:

- a. Council Meeting of February 27, 2020: Chair Cameron asked if there were any changes or corrections to the minutes presented for approval. Hearing none, a motion was made by Council Member McGuigan and seconded by Council Member Derfler to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. Public Comment on Agenda Items: None

VII. Council Chair's Report: None

VIII. CEO's Report: OSFEC is hosting a temporary Hospital in Jackman Long with storage in Columbia Hall. It is not yet known what type of patients will be served at OSFEC, this is due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

All precautions are being taken to protect staff and contractors of OSFEC, the office is essentially closed. All events scheduled through April 14th.

IX. Information Items:

- a. **State Fair Report:** We are continuing to move forward with planning.

X. Action Items

- a. **State Fair Council**
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- i. **Financial Statement 1/1/2020-1/31/2020:** A motion was made by Council Member McGuigan and seconded by Council Member Derfler to accept the Financial Statement as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Expo Center

- ii. **Trade Proposal in Lieu of Marion County Fair’s Facility Rental Fee:**

Mr. Paluszak explained that the proposal is to provide paving valued in the amount of \$58,000 in 2020 in consideration for a rent credit extension until 2027. One change in this proposal is a request to cap the rental fee use fee at \$45,000 per year for 2026 and 2027, instead of adding the annual rental escalator of 2.5%.

Council Member Smith asked what would happen if Marion County Fair didn’t happen this year. Mr. Paluszak said in that case the trade credit would not be used for this year, and therefore would extend the agreement for an additional year.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Berger and seconded by Council Member McGuigan to approve the Trade proposal as submitted. Chair Cameron noted that he does not have a personal conflict but may have a potential conflict as he is a current a Marion County Board of Commissioner. The motion carried unanimously, with Chair Cameron abstaining.

c. Committee Reports and Action Thereon:

- i. Executive Committee: None
- ii. Governmental Affairs Committee: None
- iii. Nominating Committee: None

XI. Public Comments on Non-Agenda items: None

XII. Council Members’ Comments: None.

XIII. Executive Session

- i. Pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(a) to Consider Employment of a Director/CEO (Information Only)

XIV. Reconvene Public Session

- i. Possible Public Comment and Action Regarding Employment of Director/CEO:

No action taken at this time. Mr. Paluszak will remain Director/CEO for now.

XIV. Adjourn: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at

Meeting Materials:

Agenda; Financial Statement 1/1/18 – 10/31/18
