

**City Council Town Hall Meeting
American Legion Hall, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

PRESIDING: Mayor Frank Kay

COUNCIL PRESENT: Frank Kay, Lynn Ewing, Randy Bechtol, Suzanne Knapp,
Jon Helquist, Carol Rager

COUNCIL ABSENT: Denis Carlsen

Visitors Present: Ralph Wimmer, Tamara Wimmer, Susan Kay, Susan Wright,
Gary Schoenecker, Donna Henderson, Allison Bechtol, Patrick Kollodge, Cristie Amaral,
Kathie Richey, Karen DuPuis, Larry Rocha, Mike McLucas, Bruce Hust, Gene Barnett,
Bob Larsell, Richard Mindt, Rod Woodside, Rich Suttlift, Dave North, Dawna North

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. The Town Hall meeting was called to order by Mayor Kay at 6:00 p.m. Roll was taken by Mayor Kay. Mayor Kay led council and audience in Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Kay described the purpose of our Town Hall Meeting (also an official City Council Meeting) as follows:

- Council listens to citizens – questions, concerns, issues, etc.
- Encourage/foster civil & responsible communication between citizens and their government (councilors, mayor, & staff)
- Answer “easy” questions and/or begin the process to research/craft solutions

Each Councilor introduced themselves with a brief biography and area of city operations expertise.

Mayor Kay also announced that there should be and are “no barriers or hoops to jump through” for any interested citizen to approach/discuss any issue with individual Councilmember or the Mayor, in private/public/phone/letter/email. There is time on virtually all Council meetings for “open agenda” and public engagement.

At 6:20 p.m. the Citizen input session of the “Town Hall” meeting began. The following topics were discussed:


- Update on Kaiser Greenway Park.

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- Crosswalks & safety signage on Deschutes Avenue (Hwy 197) through the downtown area.
- Update on Nuisance Abatement Officer hiring process and time line.
- Jersey barriers at east end of bridge are an eyesore and ineffective – what to do?
- Need for a children’s playground near Mountain Fir Community Park (ballfield).
- Use of Mountain Fir Community Park by local & transient RVers.
- Trail maintenance around Mountain Fir Community Park.
- Need for an RV Dumping Site (only one).
- Expansion of City’s RV Park
- Recycling Center problems/solutions.
- John Creel and Fire Department New Truck training.
- Questions about why two City employees have to be riding around in the City truck.
- Coordinate our Fire Department with Eugene’s Juniper Flat Fire Department.
- Decriminalization of marijuana for underage users.

ADJOURN. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Frank Kay, Mayor

SIGNED: 
Frank Kay, Mayor