

CITY OF SWEET HOME ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 20, 2022, 11:30 AM Sweet Home City Hall, 3225 Main Street Sweet Home, OR 97386

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Mission Statement

The City of Sweet Home will work to build an economically strong community with an efficient and effective local government that will provide infrastructure and essential services to the citizens we serve. As efficient stewards of the valuable assets available, we will be responsive to the community while planning and preparing for the future.

Meeting Information

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Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 11:40 AM.

Roll Call

PRESENT
Councilor Diane Gerson
Councilor Dave Trask
Councilor Susan Coleman

STAFF

Christy Wurster, City Manager Pro Tem Blair Larsen, Community and Economic Development Director Julie Fisher, Administrative Services Manager Robert Snyder, City Attorney

VISITORS
Peter Watts, Attorney
Peter Miner
Kimberly Miner
Rosa Cazares
Aaron Mitchell
Josh Victor
JoAnn McQueary

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MEDIA Benny Westcott

New Business

a) Discussion Only - Vacant Commercial Buildings

The Administrative, Finance and Property Committee, City staff, and local business owners entered in a collaborative conversation to discuss solutions to vacant buildings in the downtown corridor. Discussion included challenges, permitting process, and the current Sweet Home Municipal Code regarding vacant commercial buildings.

Funding sources such as Business Oregon, RDI, Travel Oregon, Ford Family Institute for Community Building, and Oregon Community Foundation were discussed.

The informal discussion between private property owners, staff, and Council representatives was part of a greater effort to involve community in policy making and economic development efforts.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 PM.

Councilor Dave Trask, Chair

ATTEST:

City Manager Pro Tem - Ex Officio City Recorder