

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE BOARD SESSION – Regular Session

Wednesday, January 10, 2024
9:00 a.m.

Senator Hearing Room
555 Court Street NE
Salem, OR 97301

PRESENT: Commissioner Kevin Cameron and Commissioner Colm Willis. Also present were Jane Vetto as county counsel and Brenda Koenig as recorder.

ABSENT: Commissioner Danielle Bethell and Jan Fritz, chief administrative officer.

Commissioner Cameron called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

(Video Time 00:00:50)

PUBLIC COMMENT

David Beem:

- Mr. Beem expressed the following:
 - He is a spokesperson for individuals with disabilities;
 - He would like more funding made available for the homeless population;
 - Mr. Beem inquired to see if the issue could be addressed at the next Oregon Legislative Session; and
 - He would like more services provided including options for transportation.

(Video Time 00:02:01)

CONSENT

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OLCC Application – Recommended Approval

1. Tacos el Vaquero – Salem, Oregon

PUBLIC WORKS

2. Approve a resolution initiating consideration of amending the Marion County Comprehensive Plan by adopting a 22.57-acre amendment to the City of Aumsville Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) for recreational land and scheduling a public hearing for February 21, 2024.

TAX OFFICE

3. Approve orders for a property tax refund for the following tax accounts:

- ACV CFT Salem, LLC, account 589205, in the amount of \$79,364.87;
- East Park, LLC, account 346188, in the amount of \$21,715.06;
- East Park, LLC, account 523955, in the amount of \$45,367.03;
- New Pac, Inc., account 591047, in the amount of \$20,269.84; and
- Magid, Robert N 67% and Modish Corp 33%, account 526481, in the amount of \$24,088.11.

MOTION: Commissioner Willis moved for approval of the consent agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

(Video Time 00:03:41)

ACTION

PUBLIC WORKS

4. Consider the second reading and adoption of an ordinance reducing turbidity in stormwater and prohibiting mercury contaminated discharges to the public stormwater drainage.

–Matt Knudsen and Scott Norris

Summary of presentation:

- This will be the second title reading of the ordinance for turbidity and mercury contaminated stormwater discharge;
- The first title reading of the ordinance was executed at the board session meeting held on December 27, 2023;
- The ordinance is in response to the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) requirements for counties to have enforcement capabilities for the discharge of stormwater that may contain sediment or mercury;
- The ordinance specifically targets sediment, erosion, turbidity, and mercury-related waste only:
 - The ordinance does not target any other pollutants.
- The DEQ is the main authority for pollutants;
- Agriculture and forest practices are exempt from the ordinance:
 - They are regulated by the Oregon Departments of Agriculture and the Oregon Department of Forestry.
- Permitted projects by other regulating authorities will be referred to those authorities;
- The Marion County Board of Commissioners and the Marion Water Quality Advisory Committee (MWQAC) reviewed and discussed the ordinance;
- The MWQAC consists of the following stakeholders:
 - The building community;
 - Homebuilders;
 - Agriculture interests;

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- Watershed council; and
- At-large community members.
- Title readings of the proposed ordinance are required by Oregon statute;
- The board may vote to read the ordinance by title only;
- After the title reading the board may deliberate and consider the adoption of the proposed ordinance; and
- If adopted, the ordinance will take effect 90 days from January 10, 2024.

Board discussion:

- The county is required to implement this ordinance as part of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Clean Water Act;
- The United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) may be exempt from the ordinance; and
- Marion County has no authority over the USACE.

MOTION: Commissioner Willis moved that the chair read the ordinance by title only once. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

Commissioner Cameron read the ordinance by title only once.


MOTION: Commissioner Willis moved to adopt an ordinance reducing turbidity in stormwater and prohibiting mercury contaminated discharges to the public stormwater drainage. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

(Video Time 00:09:10)

**PUBLIC HEARINGS
9:30 A.M.**

None.


Commissioner Cameron adjourned the meeting at 9:11 a.m.



CHAIR

Not Present At Meeting

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