



MINUTES
KEIZER CITY COUNCIL
Monday, October 27, 2025
Robert L. Simon Council Chambers
930 Chemawa Road NE
Keizer, Oregon

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Clark called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken as follows:

Present:

Cathy Clark, Mayor
Shaney Starr, Council President
Soraida Cross, Council Vice
President
Kyle Juran, Councilor
Marlene Parsons, Councilor
Lore Christopher, Councilor

Staff:

Tim Wood, Assistant City Manager
Joseph Lindsay, City Attorney
Bill Lawyer, Public Works Director
Melissa Bisset, City Recorder

Absent:

Daniel Kohler, Councilor

DISCUSSION

Public Works Director Bill Lawyer presented on the Sidewalk Gap and Repair Program. There was discussion about potential sidewalk infill locations. There was support for an Ordinance related to trees and damage to sidewalks in the right-of-way to codify what the City's practice had been for many years. Discussion followed regarding various costs and liability.

It was noted that there were options for property owners, and the draft Program could have more refinement. There was conversation about the potential of forming local improvement districts.

Discussion followed regarding sidewalk repair complaints and enforcement in relation to the Ordinance. There was a suggestion to include contiguous sidewalks in the priority options. Concern was expressed related to sidewalk repair related to the work Ziplly Fiber had been doing. There was a suggestion to have a system for approval that was fair and equitable, as well as having a list of licensed contractors.

The Council felt that tenants should not be included in the Program and that it should only be for

property owners. There was a suggestion for a 50 percent split for the Repair Program and a repayment schedule with associated costs. It was suggested to have clarifying language for the various rates depending upon classification, such as commercial, single-residential, and multi-family homes.

The three-month goals were to finalize the draft, present it to the Multi-Modal Safety Committee, present the Program to Council for approval, and to acquire initial funding. There was a suggestion to direct the interest from the Program back into the revolving fund to help keep the Program going.

Mr. Lawyer reviewed the process for sidewalk complaints, and there was a request for review of the violation letter and a desire for kind language in the letter. Thanks was expressed to staff for their work on the draft Program.

a. Sidewalk Gap and Repair Program

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Clark adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

MAYOR:

APPROVED:

Cathy Clark

Dawn Wilson, Deputy City Recorder

Minutes approved: _____

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