

**ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, December 2, 2025**

EXECUTIVE SESSION 5:00 PM

- a. To Executive Session: To review and evaluate the employment-related performance of the chief executive officer of any public body, a public officer, employee or staff member who does not request an open hearing pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2)(i).

Mayor Graham and Councilors DuQuenne, Dahle, Kaplan, Hansen and Sherrell were present. Staff present were Johan Pietila and from the media Emma Maple from the Daily Courier.

6:00 PM Business Meeting

Council Present: Mayor Graham, Councilors Bloom, Dahle, DuQuenne, Hansen, Kaplan, and Sherrell.

Council Absent: None

Staff Present:

Sabrina Cotta	City Manager
Johan Pietila	City Attorney
Alissa Kolodzinski	City Recorder
Brandon Goldman	Community Development Director
Scott Fleury	Director of Public Works
Jordan Rooklyn	Deputy City Manager
Chad Sobotka	AFN Manager
Linda Reid	Housing Program Manager

Graham called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

- a. Land Acknowledgement**

Kaplan read the land acknowledgement.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Graham led the pledge of allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

IV. MAYOR'S/ CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENT

Graham announced a Sviatohirsk Aid Benefit Concert and Film for Ukraine scheduled for December 14th from 2:00-4:30 PM at Ashland High School Theater. Tickets can be purchased at ASAPAshland.org.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Minutes of the November 17, 2025 – Study Session Meeting
b. Minutes of the November 18, 2025 – Business Meeting

Bloom moved to approve the minutes as listed in the packet. Kaplan seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Sherrell, Dahle, Bloom, DuQuenne, Kaplan, and Hansen –YES. Motion passed.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Resolution 2025-30 Extending the Pilot Program for Portable Signs in Commercial Areas
- b. Contract for Ashland Fiber Network DOCSIS 3.1 Upgrade Project

Request to pull both items from the consent agenda – to be discussed under Unfinished Business.

VII. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

VIII. PUBLIC FORUM –

Residents spoke during the public forum, with most expressing concerns about the city's use of glyphosate on the medians along Main Street/Highway 99. Several speakers expressed concern about the impact on pollinators, noting that Ashland is designated as a Bee City. Other public forum topics included concerns about budget amendments.

IX. PUBLIC HEARING

- a. *First Reading – Ordinance Language Change (Set #1)*

Pietila presented a series of administrative code changes that were previously discussed at a study session. He explained that these were primarily housekeeping changes that did not involve substantive policy matters.

- b. *Ordinance 3260 Removing Section 2.29.020(P) to Reduce Redundancy*

Pietila noted changes for Ordinance 3260 removed section 2.29.020(P) to reduce redundancy, as it contained identical language to section 2.29.020(F).

Public Hearing Open

No speakers

Public Hearing Closed

Bloom moved to approve first reading of Ordinance 3260 removing section 2.29.020(P) to reduce redundancy. Dahle seconded the motion

Roll Call Vote: DuQuenne, Kaplan, Hansen, Sherrell, Bloom, and Dahle – YES. Motion passed.

- c. *Ordinance 3262 Updating 2.54.070 to Allow for Electronic Payments of Surplus Property*

Pietila noted changes for Ordinance 3262 updated section 2.54.070 to allow for electronic payments for surplus property, bringing practices in line with government auction websites.

Public Hearing Open

No speakers

Public Hearing Closed

Hansen moved to approve first reading of Ordinance 3262 updating 2.54.070 to allow for electronic payments of surplus property and schedule second reading on December 16, 2025. DuQuenne second to motion.

Roll Call Vote: DuQuenne, Kaplan, Hansen, Sherrell, Bloom, and Dahle – YES. Motion passed.

- d. *Ordinance 3266 Updating 6.04.105, 6.04.120, 6.04.130 so that Business License Fees are Set by Resolution*

Pietila noted changes to Ordinance 3266 updated Chapter 6.04 so that business license fees are set by resolution rather than being listed directly in the code.

Public Hearing Open

No speakers

Public Hearing Closed

Dahle moved to approve first reading of Ordinance 3266 updating Chapter 6.04 so that business license fees are set by resolution and schedule second reading on December 16, 2025. Sherrell second the motion.

Roll Call Vote: DuQuenne, Kaplan, Hansen, Sherrell, Bloom, and Dahle – YES. Motion passed.

- e. *Ordinance 3274 Updating AMC Chapter 6.42 Tobacco Control, to reflect State Changes in Tobacco Retail Licensing and Administer Fees by Resolution*

Pietila noted changes to Ordinance 3274 updated AMC Chapter 6.42 regarding tobacco control to reflect state changes in tobacco retail licensing and to administer fees by resolution.

Public Hearing Open

No speakers

Public Hearing Closed

Kaplan moved to approve first reading of Ordinance 3274 updating AMC Chapter 6.42 Tobacco Control to reflect state changes in tobacco retail licensing and to administer fees by resolution and schedule second reading on December 16, 2025. Bloom seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: DuQuenne, Kaplan, Hansen, Sherrell, Bloom, and Dahle – YES. Motion passed.

- f. *Ordinance 3277 Updating 14.12.020 so Fees are Set by Resolution*

Pietila noted changes to Ordinance 3277 updated section 14.12.020 so electric fees are set by resolution, consolidating all fees into the city's miscellaneous fee book rather than having them listed in multiple places.

Public Hearing Open

No speakers

Public Hearing Closed

Hansen moved to approve first reading of Ordinance 3277 updating 14.12.020 so fees are set by resolution and schedule second reading on December 16, 2025. Bloom second the motion.

Roll Call Vote: DuQuenne, Kaplan, Hansen, Sherrell, Bloom, and Dahle – YES. Motion passed.

- g. *Ordinance 3278 Updating 14.12.050(D) to Correct for the Proper Federal Agency Name*

Pietila noted changes to Ordinance 3278 updated section 14.20.050(D) to correct a federal agency name, replacing "Federal Power Commission" with "Federal Energy Regulation Commission."

Public Hearing Open

No speakers

Public Hearing Closed

Bloom moved to approve first reading of Ordinance 3278 updating 14.050(D) to correct the proper agency name. Dahle second the motion.

Roll Call Vote: DuQuenne, Kaplan, Hansen, Sherrell, Bloom, and Dahle – YES. Motion passed.

h. Ordinance 3279 Updating 14.12.060(B)(1) so Fees are Set by Resolution
Pietila noted changes to Ordinance 3279 updated section 14.20.060(B)(1) so fees are set by resolution, continuing the consolidation of all fees into the city's miscellaneous fee book.

Public Hearing Open

No speakers

Public Hearing Closed

Dahle moved to approve first reading of Ordinance 3279 updating 14.12.060(B)(1) so fees are set by resolution and schedule second reading on December 16, 2025. Hansen seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: DuQuenne, Kaplan, Hansen, Sherrell, Bloom, and Dahle – YES. Motion passed.

i. Ordinance 3280 Updating 14.12.080 to Correct for the Proper ORS Reference
Pietila noted changes to Ordinance 3280 updated section 14.12.080 to correct a reference to state law, replacing ORS 456.763 with ORS 455.420.

Public Hearing Open

No speakers

Public Hearing Closed

Sherrell moved to approve first reading of Ordinance 3280 updating 14.12.080 to correct for the proper ORS reference and schedule second reading on December 16, 2025. Bloom second the motion.

Roll Call Vote: DuQuenne, Kaplan, Hansen, Sherrell, Bloom, and Dahle – YES. Motion passed.

j. Ordinance 3281 Updating 14.16.020 to Align with State ORS
Pietila noted changes to Ordinance 3281 updated section 14.60.020 to align with state law by directly citing ORS Chapter 225 rather than copying language from the ORS.

Public Hearing Open

No speakers

Public Hearing Closed

Hansen moved to approve first reading of Ordinance 3281 updating 14.60.020 to align with state ORS and schedule second reading on December 16, 2025. Bloom second the motion.

Roll Call Vote: DuQuenne, Kaplan, Hansen, Sherrell, Bloom, and Dahle – YES. Motion passed.

X. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND CONTRACTS

- a. *Second Reading of Ordinance 3255: An Ordinance Relating to Liquor License Review; Repealing and Replacing AMC Chapter 6.32*

Cotta introduced the item, which had no changes.

Hansen moved to approve Ordinance 3255: An Ordinance Relating to Liquor License Review; Repealing and Replacing AMC Chapter 6.32. DuQuenne seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Kaplan, Hansen, Sherrell, Bloom, Dahle, and DuQuenne – YES. Motion passed.

The Council discussed the potential for changing the term 'marijuana' to 'cannabis' when used in city documents while State law still refers to the term 'marijuana tax' in legal contexts.

Direction was given to staff to investigate the legal implications for changing the term 'marijuana' to 'cannabis' when used in city documents and bring back to council.

- b. *Second Reading of Ordinance 3272: "An ordinance annexing property and withdrawing an annexed area from Jackson County Fire District no. 5 and also repealing ordinances 3215 and 3194 which were the previous annexation approvals in Casita 1 and Casita 2." (1511 Highway 99 – Planning Action #PA-T3–2024-00011)*

Cotta introduced the topic. Goldman noted a scrivener's error in the ordinance indicating the first reading was approved on August 19, 2025, when it was approved on November 4, 2025.

Bloom moved to approve the second Reading of Ordinance No. 3272, an ordinance annexing property and withdrawing the annexed area from Jackson County Fire District No. 5, and repealing Ordinances 3215 and 3194, which were the previous annexation approvals for Casita 1 and Casita 2. He further move to approve the findings for Planning Action #PA-T3-2024-00011, including the exception to the affordable housing phasing standard in AMC 18.5.8.050.G.4, that the dates be amended as stated by staff, and to adopt the Planning Commission's findings by reference as the Council's own. Dahle seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Bloom, Dahle, DuQuenne, Kaplan, Hansen and Sherrell – YES. Motion passed.

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. *Request to Begin the Surplus Property Process for the Imperatrice Property*

Cotta introduced the topic and Fleury provided a presentation (see agenda packet).

Fleury explained that the Imperatrice property was purchased in 1996 to support wastewater treatment plant operations, specifically to spray effluent on the hill and create sludge ponds. However, the city later chose a different approach, upgrading the treatment plant to a tertiary system. After years of wastewater treatment planning, staff have determined the property is no longer needed for wastewater applications.

Several options for the property were outlined, including:

- Partitioning the property along the Talent Irrigation Ditch line, selling the lower portion, and retaining the upper portion
- Selling all 846 acres outright
- Releasing interest in the upper portion to the Southern Oregon Land Conservancy
- Doing nothing and continuing minimal fire management

Fleury also discussed a potential land swap with a Parks Department property adjacent to the wastewater treatment plant, which would allow for future plant expansion. Fleury noted that Parks is coordinating with the state to determine if such a swap is possible, as the Parks property was purchased with conservation funds that place restrictions on its use.

Steve Wise, Executive Director of Southern Oregon Land Conservancy (SOLC), addressed the Council about the organization's interest in the property. While the area above the ditch has the highest conservation value, the SOLC sees conservation value in the entire property. He noted that the lower portion has value for migratory animal connectivity, and conservation easements could still apply to

working agricultural lands. SOLC would prefer to acquire the entire property but is open to other arrangements.

Council discussion focused on:

- The appraised value of the property (approximately \$2.4 million for the lower section and \$1.4 million for the upper section)
- Requirements that proceeds from any sale go back to the wastewater fund since the property was purchased with food and beverage tax money dedicated to the wastewater plant
- Potential recreational uses and access points
- Options for conservation and agricultural uses
- Potential housing development opportunities on the property adjacent to the treatment plant if restrictions allow

The significance of the decision was discussed in reference to other historic land decisions that have made Ashland special. Support for selling the lower portion to help the wastewater treatment plant financially while potentially reducing the burden on ratepayers was also expressed.

Bloom moved to direct staff to begin the surplus property process for the property known as the Imperatrice Property. Kaplan seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Sherrell, Hansen, Bloom, Dahle, DuQuenne, and Kaplan – YES. Motion passed.

Direction given to staff to work with SOLC for potential lease/lease-to-own options, continue to coordinate with Parks on land swap opportunities, and obtain appraisals for the upper and lower portions with steps needed for land bid/sale, to be brought back to council at a spring study session.

Ten-minute recess taken

Items from the Consent agenda

a. Resolution 2025-30 Extending the Pilot Program for Portable Signs in Commercial Areas

Councilors noted this was a good example of the City's ability to adapt to requests of the business community and asked when this might become permanent. Rooklyn clarified this would come before the Planning Commission with her recommendation from council to go through the process of adopting the appropriate ordinance changes.

Hansen moved to approve the Resolution Extending the Pilot Program and to allow it to remain in place while the Planning Commission reviews recommended code changes for permanent adoption. DuQuenne second the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Hansen, Sherrell, Bloom, Dahle, DuQuenne, and Kaplan – YES. Motion passed.

b. Contract for Ashland Fiber Network DOCSIS 3.1 Upgrade Project

Sobotka clarified the goal to have a signed contract for DOCSIS 3.1 upgrade by December 22nd, and that the project is estimated to take about six weeks. With current long lead times, the bulk of the work for upgrading the nodes will be from roughly the middle of April until June.

Dahle moved to award a Goods and Services contract to ePlus for the DOCSIS 3.1 Upgrade with a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,179,589. Bloom seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Bloom, Dahle, DuQuenne, Kaplan, Hansen and Sherrell – YES. Motion passed.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

a. Request to Begin the Surplus Property Process for 380 Clay Street

Rooklyn presented information about the property at 380 Clay Street, which is approximately 14,000 square feet with a dilapidated home. The property was recently appraised at \$250,000 "as is" and noted that a local developer has submitted a proposal to purchase the property to build housing. Several challenges with the property were discussed, including a very large cottonwood tree that takes up a significant portion of the lot. The city has twice applied for permits to remove the tree to increase development potential but was denied both times. There is also an abandoned well on the property that needs to be filled in.

Council discussed that the property could potentially accommodate 5-8 housing units, depending on how the tree issue is resolved. Goldman confirmed that with density bonuses and smaller units, up to 8 units could fit on the property. Discussion also included challenges of site development and whether to place deed restrictions for affordable housing on the property with some preferring to allow for market-rate housing to be built quickly, while others expressed a desire for requiring affordable options. Several councilors noted that given the property's constraints, particularly the tree, a market-rate approach might be more practical.

Sherrell moved to surplus 380 Clay Street and direct staff to initiate negotiations with the developer for the sale of the property. Hansen seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Hansen, Sherrell, Bloom, Dahle, DuQuenne, and Kaplan – YES. Motion passed.

b. Discussion of Use of Affordable Housing Trust Fund

Graham and Sherrell presented a proposal regarding the use of the city's Affordable Housing Trust Fund. The fund's RFP paused last year to reconsider strategy, particularly whether funds should be focused more on building new affordable units rather than supporting emergency housing.

Reid explained that since 2018, approximately 46% of the fund (just over \$1 million total) has supported new housing development, 11% has gone to capacity building, and 38% funded shelter services with a significant portion of shelter funding occurring during the pandemic. Goldman noted that even small amounts from the trust fund can help affordable housing developers demonstrate local support when applying for state or federal funding.

Community members spoke in support of the process, highlighting the importance of the Community Land Trust (CLT) model, the Council's recent decision to accept Trusted Homes CLT proposal to develop six affordable homes, and how the fund can advance affordable housing projects with childcare components.

Council discussion included support for a targeted RFP limited to funding new affordable housing development and capacity building for nonprofit housing developers. It was also discussed that proceeds from property sales may be allocated to infrastructure or facilities funds to support housing development, and if no suitable housing applications arise funds may be carried over to future cycles without harm. Alternative housing types and innovative strategies to maximize impact will be explored in future work.

After discussion and amendment, the following motion was adopted:

Sherrell moved to direct staff to move forward with issuing the Request for Proposals for the use of Affordable Housing Trust Funds, and to target the Request for Proposals for Construction and Capacity Building. Hansen seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Bloom, Dahle, DuQuenne, Kaplan, Hansen and Sherrell – YES. Motion passed.

Councilors expressed interest in exploring alternative housing types such as recreational vehicles and tiny houses as legal dwellings, noting that other Oregon communities have adopted codes allowing these options. However, due to time constraints, the Council agreed to address this topic at a future meeting when the Housing and Human Services Advisory Committee presents its work plan.

Kaplan moved to direct staff to assist the city council in investigating potential structures for focused investment of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund beyond the current biennium. Dahle seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Bloom, Dahle, DuQuenne, Kaplan, Hansen and Sherrell – Yes. Motion passed.

XIII. CITY MANAGER REPORT –

a. Look Ahead

None – due to time constraints, the meeting was adjourned.

XIV. OTHER BUSINESS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS/REPORTS FROM COUNCIL LIAISONS

XV. ADJOURNMENT

**Bloom moved to adjourn. Seconded by DuQuenne
All Ayes. Motion passed.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.


City Recorder Alissa Kolodzinski


Mayor Tonya Graham



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Full Name	Rich Rohde
Meeting Date	Dec 2 2025
Email Address	[REDACTED]
Are you a City of Ashland resident?	Yes
Indicate if you want to provide written testimony, or if you want to speak via Zoom.	Written
Which agenda item would you like to address?	XIII New Business a.Request to Begin the Surplus Property foro 380 Clay St
Comments (Leave this section blank if you are requesting to speak electronically.)	Dear Mayor and Council. I am very opposed to the sale of this property at 380 Clay St to Allen Sandler. First I do not believe he is the right person to develop this valuable property. And he requests that that development not have income restriction that would make the development affordable according to Ashland goals and standard. Our city goals outlined in several place such as the Housing Production Strategies are designed to encourage housing affordable income families. The developer requesting that there by no income restrictions goes against the housing goals we

have outlined for several years. With new non-profits growing in Ashland we will soon have the appropriate developers available for income restricted homes. That neighborhood on Clay St is such an interesting and vital space you should be very thoughtful for how that property is developed. Sandler is not the right person or plan for us.

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Full Name	Geoff Lowry
Meeting Date	12/2/1025
Email Address	
Are you a City of Ashland resident?	Yes
Indicate if you want to provide written testimony, or if you want to speak via Zoom.	Written
Which agenda item would you like to address?	Discussion of Use of Affordable Housing Trust Fund-City Manager's Office
Comments (Leave this section blank if you are requesting to speak electronically.)	I am writing to request that OCDC, as a partner with Sunstone and a trusted community service provider, submit public comment in support of releasing the Ashland Housing Trust Fund RFP for 2026. This will provide gap and capacity funding for the Ashland affordable housing development. This is an opportunity for the city to reinforce its stated values and goals around cohesive community development, specifically addressing two of our greatest needs: housing for families and childcare. The Affordable Housing Trust Fund is designed to support the creation and preservation of affordable housing for low- and moderate-income families, with eligible uses including

predevelopment, construction, capacity building, and direct benefits to households. The City's continued investment in this fund and the release of the 2026 RFP will help ensure that Ashland's families have access to stable housing and essential services.

Thank you!

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Full Name	Matthew Havniear
Meeting Date	12/2/2025
Email Address	
Are you a City of Ashland resident?	No
Indicate if you want to provide written testimony, or if you want to speak via Zoom.	Written
Which agenda item would you like to address?	Affordable Housing Fund
Comments (Leave this section blank if you are requesting to speak electronically.)	I support directing the Affordable Housing Fund toward permanent housing construction and capacity-building for nonprofit developers as a necessary step to address the ongoing housing needs following the 2020 wildfires. This approach directly aligns with the recovery goals outlined in Rogue Reimagined, the Regional Long-Term Recovery Plan, and will strengthen Ashland's ability to respond to future housing disruptions. Investing in local development capacity and exploring flexible options like occupied RVs will enhance regional resilience and help protect against future disaster-related housing loss.

Thank you for prioritizing permanent recovery and forward-looking housing strategies.

Matthew Havnear
Executive Director
JCC LTRG / RV COAD

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Full Name	Jill Franko
Meeting Date	12/02/2025
Email Address	
Are you a City of Ashland resident?	No
Indicate if you want to provide written testimony, or if you want to speak via Zoom.	Written
Which agenda item would you like to address?	The Ashland Housing Trust Fund
Comments (Leave this section blank if you are requesting to speak electronically.)	Hello Council and Mayor, As co-founder of Sunstone Housing Collaborative, and a former School Board Director, I understand the important role that institutions play in building and sustaining a healthy, vibrant community. The Ashland Housing Trust Fund has been essential in addressing Ashland's greatest challenge: the shortage of affordable housing. By providing seed funding for innovative projects like ours, Institutions can help ease the burden for those working to solve these problems.

Please continue supporting the AHTF and release the next RFP

for the upcoming biennium budget. Trust the committee to designate funds to initiatives with a real chance to improve the lives of those most in need. In the end, the community benefits when its people are well cared for. What a gift you all have to be in a position to do such a thing. Thank you and thank you for your service.

With appreciation,

Jill Franko

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Date:

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Name: (Please Print)

Tyler Hawkins

Ashland Resident:



YES



NO

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Agenda Topic/Item Number:

Public Forum

Public Forum Topic (Non-agenda Item):

Glyphosate application in median

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WILLIAM J. ZENTNER II

Ashland Resident:

☒ YES ☐ NO City: _____

Agenda Topic/Item Number:

Roundtable

Public Forum Topic (Non-agenda Item):

GLYPHOSATE

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Alex Sol

Ashland Resident:



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Public Forum Topic (Non-agenda Item):

ROUND UP APPLICATION

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Name: (Please Print)

Angelina mcClean

Ashland Resident:



YES



NO

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Public Forum Topic (Non-agenda Item):

Herbicide Application

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Name: (Please Print)

Karen Potts

Ashland Resident:

☒ YES ☐ NO City: _____

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Public Forum Topic (Non-agenda Item):

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Date:

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Name: (Please Print)

Vince Doyle

Ashland Resident:



YES



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Public Forum Topic (Non-agenda Item):

SPRAYING GLYPHOSATE

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Michelle Thelen

Name: (Please Print)

12-2-25

Ashland Resident:



YES



NO

City:

Ashland

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Michelle Thelen

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SHARON BRYSON

Ashland Resident:



YES



NO

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Poison

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STEVE WISE

Ashland Resident:

☒ YES ☐ NO City: _____

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LINDA ADAMS

Ashland Resident:



YES



NO

City: _____

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XIII BHsg. Trust Fund

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Krista Palmer

Ashland Resident:



YES



NO

City: _____

Agenda Topic/Item Number:

Affordable housing trust fund

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PAUL MOZINA

Ashland Resident:



YES



NO

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Public Forum Topic (Non-agenda Item):

2025-2027 Budget

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Oregon Budget Law allows the Council to make changes to the budget that was approved by the citizens budget committee, **AFTER** a public hearing has been held on the budget as approved. The Council doesn't need to go back to the citizens budget committee for their approval if the changes are less than 10% of the fund. Call this the 10% rule. See ORS 294.456

https://oregon.public.law/statutes/ors_294.456)

This Council may think it was OK to amend the 2025-2027 budget at a study session without making a motion, because the 10% rule allows you change the budget. The 10% rule does not nullify the Ashland Charter, which requires a public motion and vote on ANY decision made by the Council, nor does it nullify ORS 294.453, which requires a public hearing on the budget document as approved by the budget committee.

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Deputy City Administrator, Jordan Rooklyn's, introduction to the public hearing on the 2025-2027 budget at the June 3 business meeting declared your intention to violate ORS 294.453: "I do want to highlight for you all, the changes to this version of the budget, compared to what was passed and recommended by the citizens budget committee, and that is the source of the childcare grant funds, that was supported by Council via motion. And, so that is the budget before you all for adoption..."

Rooklyn claimed that the change to the funding for the childcare grant program "...WAS SUPPORTED BY COUNCIL VIA MOTION". There was no motion made on the amendments at the study session. This Council should have brought forward the budget amendments after the public hearing with a motion and vote.

This Council blatantly violated the ORS by amending the budget before the public hearing, and flagrantly violated the Ashland Charter by not having a public motion and vote on the action to amend the 2025-2027 budget.

Oregon Budget Law allows the Council to make changes to the budget that was approved by the citizens budget committee. AFTER a public hearing has been held on the budget as approved. The Council doesn't need to go back to the citizens budget committee for their approval. The changes are less than 10% of the fund. Call this the 10% rule. See ORS 204-456.

11/13/2023 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM

The Council may make it was OK to amend the 2023-2024 budget at a study session without making a motion, because the 10% rule allows you change the budget. The 10% rule does not apply to the 2023-2024 budget, which requires a public motion and vote on ANY decision made by the Council, not just the 10% rule. ORS 204-456, which requires a public hearing on the budget document as approved by the budget committee.

11/13/2023 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Deputy City Administrator, Jordan Brocklyn's intervention to the public hearing on the 2023-2024 budget at the June 8 business meeting decided your intervention to violate ORS 204-456. I do want to highlight for you all, the changes to this version of the budget, compared to what was passed and recommended by the citizens budget committee, and that is the source of the childcare grant funds that was supported by Council via motion. And so that is the budget before you all for adoption.

Brocklyn claimed that the change to the funding for the childcare grant program "...WAS SUPPORTED BY COUNCIL VIA MOTION". There was no motion made on the amendments at the study session. This Council should have brought forward the budget amendments after the public hearing with a motion and vote.

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