City of Lowell Oregon City Council Special Meeting Minutes April 25, 2025

The Lowell City Council held a special meeting on April 25, 2025. The meeting location was by zoom only. Mayor Weathers called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

City Councilors present:

Mayor Maureen Weathers, Jimmy Murray, Don Bennett, Tim Stratis

City Councilors absent:

Gail Harris

Staff/others present:

Interim City Administrator Max Baker

Approval of the agenda:

Mayor Weathers asked if there were any changes to the agenda. With no changes proposed, the agenda was approved by consensus.

New Business

1. Motion for Exclusive Authorization of Sale with Campbell Commercial Real Estate for 107 East Third Street Lowell, Oregon 97452 and authorize City Administrator to sign. - Discussion/ Possible action

City Administrator Max Baker introduced the topic, mentioning that it had been discussed in previous meetings and work sessions. He switched screens to display a marketing package that had undergone recent edits by Suzanne.

Suzanne Kintzley provided an overview of the changes made to the marketing package. She highlighted that the photos had been updated, text had been added, and one of the pages had been condensed. Suzanne also mentioned a change made that morning to the highlighted area due to a font issue. She explained that she had modified the description of the market to make it more substantial and meaningful, removing the term "grocery store" as Mayor Weathers felt it was too stodgy. Suzanne expressed satisfaction with the final package, noting that it was concise yet informative, considering that people tend to prefer visual information over lengthy text.

Mayor Weathers agreed with Suzanne's assessment of the marketing package. Suzanne added that the package effectively showcased the town's accomplishments despite its small size. She also mentioned a minor correction to ensure the flagpole was included within the yellow line on one of the images.

Max Baker commended the recent edits, particularly appreciating the concise nature of the package and how it highlighted Lowell and its possibilities. He emphasized that the package's content might encourage potential buyers to make inquiries.

Max Baker then addressed the exclusive authorization sale document, noting that it was the same as previously presented, with only minor updates to the meeting date and a small change discussed between him and Mayor Weathers.

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Councilor Weathers' motion to approve an Exclusive Authorization of Sale with Campbell Commercial Real Estate for 107 East Third Street Lowell, Oregon 97452 and authorize City Administrator to sign was seconded by Councilor Murray.

Mayor Weathers: YES; Murray: YES; Stratis: YES; Bennett: YES

Adjourn the Special Meeting.

Mayor Weathers adjourned the meeting at 7:10 PM.

APPROVED:

Maureen Weathers, Mayor

ATTEST:

Max Baker, City Recorder