CITY OF UMATILLA COUNCIL WORKSHOP April 21, 2016

1. CALLED TO ORDER: Mayor Trott called the council workshop meeting to order at 5:30pm.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Councilors Farnsworth, Ray, Ribich, Lougee, and TenEyck.

ABSENT: Councilor Dedrick.

STAFF PRESENT: Recorder Sandoval, Manager Pelleberg, Deputy City Manager Ince, and

Chief Huxel.

3. PURPOSE

This was an open workshop to discuss matters of importance to the City. No formal action was taken on any items placed on the agenda. Open dialogue was suggested to voice the opinions of the Council/Mayor on the items listed below:

a. <u>Further discussion on potential City support of the Eastern Oregon Trade and Event Center, EOTEC.</u>

Councilor Ray stated he would like to see an amount contributed that would make the City of Umatilla a key player or component to regional development.

Councilor Ribich stated he would like to see a sunset clause placed on anything presented to the Council in the future when it came to the EOTEC.

Deputy City Manager Ince stated she would look at state laws and research the sunset clause to be able to include it when it is presented at the next Council meeting.

b. <u>Discussion on City spokesperson in response to events such as emergencies, natural</u> disasters, etc.

Manager Pelleberg explained that police matters would be addressed by Chief Huxel. Any political issues would be handled by the Mayor or Manager Pelleberg. We needed to be cautious when it came down to the flow of things.

- c. <u>Update from the City Manager on partnering with the County to explore Economic Development in our community.</u>
- d. <u>Discuss Economic Development potentials with the Port of Umatilla.</u>
 Manager Pelleberg stated he had been attending Port of Umatilla meetings to see what future projects the City and the Port could establish. He hopes to develop strong ties with the Port to help develop the industrial park area on the other side of town.
- e. <u>Intergovernmental agreement with the City of Hermiston for Building Inspection Services.</u>
 Manager Pelleberg announced that the Council would see a resolution that would be presented at the next Council meeting for approval. The final details were still being hashed out with lawyers, but he hoped that the City of Umatilla would be able to provide faster and more efficient services to the development community by partnering with the City of Hermiston when it came to building department issues.
- f. General update from the City Manager on City wide projects.

Small projects have been taking a forefront on the City's agenda. The Public Works department has been taking an active role in cleaning up some of the parks and public property to make them look more aesthetically pleasing.

- g. Open discussion from the City Council/Mayor on Council Goals for the year.

 All councilors present agreed that the workshop was successful and productive.
- 4. ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

 David P. Trott Mayor

 ATTEST:

 Nanci Sandoval City Recorder