

**City of Rainier
Work Session Minutes
August 13, 2012
6:00 PM
Rainier City Hall
106 West "B" Street**

Mayor Cole called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Council Present: Mayor Cole, Phil Butcher, William Vilardi, Sloan Nelson and Scott Cooper.

Council Absent: Mike Avent, James Bradfield and David Sills.

City Staff Present: Debra Dudley.

City Goals and Strategic Planning: Council discussed prior goals and future goals. Items removed from the list are as follows: "C" Street Slippage, Redco lawsuit and projects, and wastewater plant self sufficient. Items remaining the list or added are: finances/ways to generate revenue, "B" Street project, riverfront trail, "A" Street, Foss property/rail, repair boat launch, reclaim property owned by City, community room at City Hall, grow west Rainier/expand UGB/dike certification issues, develop plan for dam improvement, "A" Street square, park restrooms, expansion of marina, repair boat launch, property under "C" Street bridge, and stop light at Highway 30 and Veterans Way. An RV dump and dry RV park were also discussed as means to generate revenue. Cooper provided ideas about leasing the park to Days In The Park who would take care of the activities and park maintenance. Cooper updated Council on volleyball court(s) at the park. Butcher mentioned adding another Little League field. Nelson said the tournaments do not require more than one field. Nelson suggested looking into an ordinance that wouldn't prohibit festivals at the park that include beer and wine festival. Cooper asked to have that on the agenda for the next meeting. Mayor Cole asked Dudley to make new goal sheets and to add other things that had been discussed and email Council the priority and they can discuss the priority.

Connie Budge, 29711 View Street, Rainier, OR 97048 clarified that the community room was on the priority list and asked if she, Dudley, Chief Griffith and Mr. Groulx could spear head that project. Budge said she wondered where View Street was on the priority list and Mayor Cole said it was permanently on the agenda until it was resolved and Budge asked if that could be revisited. Budge said over two years ago Council approved a nuisance resolution and if they sign the Hudson Garbage Service resolution that is on tonight's agenda it is possible that many residents will opt out of that garbage service and/or they will leave the garbage containers in the city right of way which is also a violation of the nuisance abatement ordinance. Budge asked what plan the City Council has in place to address the possibility of increased nuisances. Budge said that are currently at least five containers that are in the right of way. Mayor Cole said the first step to the stop light at West 6th Street is to get it on the agenda. Budge said the park is a community park and would not lease it out because then it would not be a community park.

The work session meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Mayor Cole

Attested: _____

Debra Dudley, City Administrator/Recorder/
Finance Director