

**STAYTON CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES  
PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT FINANCING  
November 08, 2010**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Mayor Aboud**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mayor Gerry Aboud	Councilor Vigil
Councilor Frank	Councilor Walters
Councilor Loftus, absent	

**STAFF:**

Don Eubank, City Administrator  
Christine Shaffer, Finance Director  
Dave Kinney, Public Works Director  
Dan Fleishman, Planning and Development Director  
Rebecca Petersen, Deputy City Recorder

Mr. Kinney reviewed a handout for the Transportation Maintenance Fee (TMF) showing minimum and maximum amounts for both residential and businesses, if a fee were implemented. The policy direction given to staff was to prepare documentation to see if the Council wants to pursue with charging a TMF, he said.

Mayor Aboud asked Council members if they were interested in charging a TMF. Councilors Walters and Frank were in favor of the proposal, Councilor Vigil was not.

Councilor Walters stated the city should take care of the streets and implement a minimum amount, then the new Council can change it if they wish. Charging \$2.00 for residential customers, and \$20.00 for businesses will at least give the city some money to maintain the streets, he said.

Councilor Frank stated his support of a fee but that the issue should be referred to the voters for them to decide. We need to maintain our streets, he said.

Councilor Vigil stated he did not like charging a new fee, and the way the commercial rates would be assessed. A Local Option Tax would be a better idea as its cut and dry and the voters would vote on it.

Mayor Aboud suggested charging a \$2.00 fee for Residential customers and a \$5.00 fee for Commercial customers. Councilor Vigil stated he was not in favor of any fee and that the issue needs to go to a Local Option Tax.

Councilor Frank stated that voters have a lot of fees coming out of their property taxes already, pool, parks, library then you would be adding something else. By the time it gets on the ballot it could be 2012.

Mayor Aboud stated it was disturbing to him that the Council had not gotten anywhere with the TMF issue. The issue is not so large that it needs to be referred to the voters. You can start by charging \$2.00 for every resident, effective July 01, 2011, and have a sunset clause that stops the fee June 2015. By not doing anything it's just passing the buck to the voters, he said.

Mr. Kinney explained various fees for each tier, the seven rate codes for nonresidential users, and pointed out that there are some judgement calls other than assessed value or square footage basis, that need to be taken into consideration.

Councilor Frank stated he was not in favor of starting out low and changing the fee at a later time. Citizens have said they want the streets maintained and they should have the right to vote on it. Mayor Aboud stated, if the issue is referred to the voters it could be over analyzed and asked what was wrong with using one tier. Councilor Frank stated he would like to see three tiers used.

Councilor Walters stated it's a moral issue and we owe it to our kids and grandkids to give them safe maintained streets.

Councilors Frank and Walters suggested the City start collecting a fee January 2011; with a sunset clause of three years.

Councilor Vigil stated he was not in support of the fee, as it's not a good idea to add a new fee to the utility bill.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00.

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