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# UTILITY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING Summary Notes

Tuesday, March 10, 2015

6:00 p.m. – Meeting – Bolton Conference Room

# 1. Call to Order and Introductions

Members Present: Ray Kindley, Alice Richmond, Erik Miller Staff/City Representatives Present: Brenda Perry, Richard Seals

# 2. Approval of February 2015 Summary Notes

No Quorum present to approve notes, deferred to next meeting.

# 3. Update on LOT Payment

- City has received the \$5,000,000 payment from Lake Oswego as part of the LOT project. City has also received approximately \$430,000 reimbursement for Mapleton Water Main replacement project for work done within City's right-of-way. Councilor Perry inquired if the City has received a \$10,000 payment to go towards Robinwood station. Richard stated he would need to check but does not believe City has received that payment yet (as of meeting date).

## 4. Staff Update on Bolton Reservoir

- The City has completed numerous projections regarding how to pay for Bolton Reservoir replacement and future waterline replacements. Water rate increase measures have previously been put to voters and denied. The City has received the \$5,000,000 from LOT (dedicated to the Bolton project), there is \$2,000,000 in SDCs and there is money in the Water revenue account. These funds are expected to cover the cost of the Bolton project. Council has approved to rebuild on the existing site. The group discussed the impacts of the grading on Wilderness Park with regards to installation of the sidewalk and pipeline. The group would like further clarification of the work impact to park.

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# 5. Discussion of Water Rate Recommendation and future ballot measure

- There is a minimum rate increase of 5% each year without voter approval which will provide some funding but it is not substantial enough to make significant progress replacing old pipes. An 18% increase (one-year) would allow for funds to be available to replace aging pipes in a proactive manner. Council Perry stated that she would be participating in "listening tours" and will engage in outreach and education to citizens about the state of the water system.

## 6. Other Business

- LOT project was discussed with regards to delays and rights to water. South Fork Water Board and its members have senior rights to water access. Councilor Perry discussed the future Mapleton water line work. Councilor Perry states that she walked the area with project managers and expects the pipeline work to last 7 or more months (2 months of preparation and 5 months of laying pipes). Perry states that they will be digging 10-14ft trenches in the road to lay the pipes. Perry expressed additional concerns about the City paving Nixon.

# 7. Adjournment

- Ray called for adjournment at 6:57pm and Alice seconded the motion.

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