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City outlines procedures in zone changes

by DAN DILLON

Unless a developer has a specific proposal when he requests a zone change in the city of Sandy, the chances are the request will be denied.

Although no decisions were rendered in three of four public hearings Monday evening involving zone-change requests, the Sandy City Council indicated it might not look favorably upon those requests unless something concrete is presented.

Councilman Jim Duff suggested that he had no objection to two requests, on the west end of the city, which would change residential property to a commercial zone. However, he added, he is "uncomfortable without some type of specific plan."

Those two requests, filed by V.J. Keating III and John Christensen, would have changed the site of the former Mt. Hood Animal Clinic, on the corner of Highway 26 and University Avenue, and two adjacent lots from a high-density residential designation back to a commercial zone. The parcels had that zoning prior to the 1980 update of the Sandy Comprehensive Plan.

Attorney Terry McCauley, representing Keating, said, "In the ultimate use of the property, the owners will not be able to support the property off revenues that this type of property will generate."

He argued that designating this property as residential to avoid a reputation for strip commercial zoning along Highway 26 was "only tokenism."

Attorney Mark Twedt, representing Christensen, agreed, "Except for this one, small parcel of property, doggone it, you've got a strip zone."

Strip zoning refers to a narrow band of commercial extending along a major thoroughfare, such as Highway 26.

The city council continued the hearing to its June 15 meeting for decision only, because of the volume of information and the absence of three councilmen.

The council continued a second hearing, involving the Dick Meinig property on the north side of Highway 26 about 900 feet east of Ten Eyck Road, because Meinig offered the council options he would be willing to accept, if his original proposal were rejected.

He had originally asked that his property designated a commercial zone. It had been changed, in the comprehensive plan update, to medium-density residential. The Sandy Planning Commission had limited the area of Meinig's property it would allow for commercial zoning to that portion along the southern edge.

Meinig asked that if the council wouldn't allow a total commercial zone, he would like the northern portion designated for high-density residential use.

That request will require an extension of Monday night's hearing to allow for advertising. The hearing will be continued to July 6.

Again the council reiterated its stance that it would like some concrete proposals before considering the high-density zoning.

Concrete proposals were presented in the evening's final public hearing and the Sandy City Council approved a zone change and subdivision which will create the October Hills Subdivision at the intersection of Sandy Heights Street and South Bluff Road.

The subdivision, developed by William Steinbarger of Hoodland Construction Co., will include 14 single-family lots and four duplex lots. One lot will be designated for use as a reservoir site, as was outlined in a recent study of the city's water system.

Negotiation between the city and developer is continuing over an equitable price for that lot.

In other action, the Sandy City Council:

— Approved the purchase of three new double shelves and two new single shelves, at \$2,652.60, for the Sandy Public Library.



Treva Tompkins searched 19 years for her son, Jim, and it was the happiest Mother's Day of her life last month when they were reunited at Woodburn where he lives. Photo courtesy of Irv Canfield.

After 19 years, woman finds son

by SHANNON KELLEY
Post Correspondent

Treva Tompkins had the best Mother's Day present of her life this year.

After 19 years of separation she was reunited with her son, Jim Brady.

In 1962, when Mrs. Tompkins' son was 6 years old, he was stolen from the front porch of her home in Reno, Nev. She wasn't really sure if her husband had taken Jim, or if someone else had. So, for the past 19 years, she has spent much time and money looking for her lost son.

"Every lead we'd get, we'd go after," Mrs. Tompkins said this week.

"I thought he was dead," she said.

Mrs. Tompkins and her current husband own a wrapping and packaging business in Sandy — Stagner Tompkins Ent. Packing. It was by chance that Colleen Brady called on the business wanting a package wrapped.

"She said her name was Colleen," remembered Mrs. Tompkins. "I asked her last name and she said, 'Brady.' I said, 'You don't happen to know a Jimmy Brady who a birthday coming up?' and she said, 'Oh my God, that's my husband!'"

Mrs. Brady got her husband on the telephone and Mrs. Tompkins told him, "You might be my son." They talked and, sure enough, their stories matched.

"I couldn't talk, I was speechless," Mrs. Tompkins said, "and he was just elated."

They met May 5, two days before Jim's birthday, at the Woodburn restaurant where he is manager. The two had a lot of history to talk about.

Jim Brady had been in the Air Force for three years, commuted to Washington state for a job and moved to Woodburn for his restaurant job. He said he'd asked his father many times about his mother, but his father just told him, "You don't want to find her."

He had been looking for his mother in Castle Way, Nev., which was the last thing he could remember about her.

The reunited mother and son are now collaborating together on a book about their 19-year separation and reunion. Magazines, such as Redbook, Women's Day and the National Enquirer, have also asked about the story.

In Tompkins' 19-year search, she vowed to her mother she would find her son before her mother, who is 76, died. Her mother always told her, "You'll never find him," according to Mrs. Tompkins.

"When she found out," Mrs. Tompkins said, "she was so excited, she had to go to the hospital. She had chest pains, she was so overwhelmed."

Mrs. Tompkins has another son and a daughter her husband also took away in 1962. Someday, she'd like to reunite the entire family.

Bull Run School flap splits rural district

by DAN DILLON

The Bull Run community this year has seen its normally-placid country school become the center of a storm of controversy involving teachers' contracts and a proposed kindergarten.

In the process, the area has seemingly split into factions.

Near the center of that storm has been School Board Chairman Jim Bollerman. "There has been a lot more controversy over this than I would have expected."

He and fellow incumbent Ron Jantz were challenged by two write-in candidates at the March 31 special election. "They put their campaign literature out as a team," Bollerman said this week. "But then, so did Ron and I. We sat down and wrote a letter which we sent out."

The result saw Bollerman and Jantz defeat their opponents by nearly identical margins.

The failure of the board to extend new contracts to four district teachers was a "major factor," Bollerman acknowledged, but, "it's really hard to second guess someone's reason why they're upset," he added.

"There are other people who would say, 'I voted for them this or that other reason.'"

The teacher contract situation began coming to a head last night when teachers Diana Smith and JoAnne Rohweder were given a public hearing to appeal the school board's decision not to rehire them for the 1981-82 school year. (A complete report of that

meeting will be in next week's edition of The Post.)

Smith teaches the school's special education, Title I and Talented and Gifted students. Rohweder teaches a classroom of first- and second-graders. They are both non-tenured teachers who have been employed by the school for three years.

A third teacher, Helen Swails, will be given an opportunity to state her case at the board's June 15 meeting. She teaches third and fourth grade and has been with the district for 18 years.

The fourth teacher, Eula Ten Eyck, plans to retire at the end of the year, but was reassigned from a class of first-graders to library duties in March. A substitute took over her class for the remainder of the school year.

Kindergarten has also been a "hotly contested issue," according to Bollerman. "Some people have suggested very strongly that we have a kindergarten and some people have suggested very strongly that we not have a kindergarten," he said.

"That adds to the general controversy situation," he said, "so we've seen a lot more controversy this year than in years past." Bollerman is a four-year veteran of the board.

After its defeat, 89-51, in the May election, the board trimmed the 'A' ballot from \$28,444 to \$12,819, and the kindergarten proposal from five half-day sessions a week to three half-day sessions a week.

The revised ballot will go before the voters June 30.

Portland man burned by electrical charge

A 32-year-old Portland man was critically injured last Thursday morning when his aluminum paint roller touched a 7,200-volt power line while he was painting the Sandy Fire Department.

Gregory M. Bashaw was taken to the Oregon Burn Center at Emanuel Hospital in Portland with first-, second- and third-degree burns over 33 percent of his body.

He is listed in "critical, but stable" condition by the hospital.

Bashaw was painting the south side of the main Sandy station while hanging over the parapet, according to Sandy Fire Marshal Jim Gallagher, when the aluminum paint roller he was holding touched the Portland General Electric line at 9:33 a.m.

Bashaw was taken to Gresham Community Hospital by Alpine Ambulance Service and transported to Emanuel Hospital by Life Flight helicopter.

According to Bob Kallen, PGE Sandy district manager, the accident knocked power out for approximately two minutes at more than 1,000 sites in the Sandy area.

A second outage occurred when PGE crews de-energized the circuit for less than a minute while the aluminum extension was removed. It was "welded" to the lines by the accident, Kallen said.

Sandy woman charged with embezzlement

A Sandy woman is among three persons who have been charged with participating in a scheme in which \$33,200 was embezzled from First National Bank of Oregon between September and December of 1978.

One of the participants, Frederick Edward Hazeem, 26, has already been convicted by a federal court jury for his part.

Charged with Hazeem in the embezzlement scheme were Jill Marie Walker, 22, of Sandy, and Gary Gene Long, 26, of Portland.

U.S. District Judge Jim Redden has scheduled Hazeem's sentencing for July 20. He was found guilty on four counts of aiding and abetting embezzlement and one count of conspiracy to embezzle. He is already serving a 20-year sentence in the Oregon State Penitentiary for manslaughter in the death of Kittie Coy, near Timothy Lake in the Mount National Forest.

During the trial, the prosecution presented evidence that Walker, who was an employee at the bank's branch at S.E. 39th Avenue and Powell Boulevard, furnished names, account numbers and signature cards of various depositors to Hazeem on four occasions.

Both Hazeem and Long were accused of two instances of going to different branches with false identification, using the account numbers and signature cards and obtaining money. The defendants were alleged to have divided the money.

Walker, who has cooperated with the government, testified that Hazeem devised and directed the embezzlement scheme and that he received more than half the withdrawn funds.

Federal prosecutors, in an agreement with Walker, have promised to dismiss nine indictments against her if she successfully completes a diversion program term of probation.

Hatfield calls for new defense stance

by VON BRASCHLER

Industrial technology—not bigger bombs—is the way to secure America's future, U.S. Sen. Mark Hatfield told a Sandy Chamber of Commerce lunch crowd last Thursday.

"We've shifted our sights to where our whole future survival is dependent on bigger bombs," said the MX Missile's prime opponent and would-be military budget cutter.

Hatfield proposes mounting existing land-based, vulnerable Minute Man III missiles onto submarines for new mobility and cost saving over the proposed MX Missile system, now priced as high as \$130 billion.

He further advocates, in a new joint proposal with Rhode Island's Sen. John Chafee, an international political advisory body in El Salvador to get the U.S. into a lesser military role and steer the government there toward a peaceful election.

Hatfield said the military budget—highest ever during peacetime—cuts deeply into savings pared painfully from health, education, transportation and other non-military programs by the Senate Appropriations Committee he chairs.

"We decapitated, we amputated and we did all kinds of surgery without antiseptic," he said of the committee's \$15.3 billion cuts. Then the same week our committee brought forth its product, the Senate Armed Services Committee brought forth its package—highest ever in time of peace.

A strong, productive economy is just as important to national security and a higher priority, Hatfield said.

"We have to move this country into a highly developed, highly technological society" with government tax incentives, deregulation and increased capital improvements to make American industry competitive, he said.

Detroit automakers invest only

\$11,400 per employee in technological development, while Toyota invests nearly \$400,000 per employee per year, he noted.

For \$80 billion, the U.S. could develop a synthetic fuel to last through the century, Hatfield suggested, thereby reducing American overdependence on foreign oil from the turbulent Persian Gulf.

For another \$40 billion in technological investment, the country could harness other forms of energy, he said.

"It is not a question of industry being interested in development," he said. Rather, government tax policy and restrictions discourage capital investment and technological advancement in American industry.

"The capital we need is going to be sucked up by the government going into the money market," he added. "We are pre-empting the economic leadership in the government. More and more research and development people are moving into the military."

His \$10 billion suggestion to redeploy existing Minuteman missiles onto submarines instead of the \$56 to \$130 billion MX Missile system was rejected by the Air Force.

"I was told by one Air Force man that the Air Force does not have submarines," he recounted. "I told him the last time I checked the Navy was still on our side."

The former Oregon governor noted that the U.S. presently has one million Hiroshima-size bombs and enough military chemicals to wage a 30-day war on chemicals alone.

On the subject of proposed state takeover of federal lands in the so-called "sagebrush rebellion" bill for western states, Hatfield voiced disinterest based on state management costs and unlikelihood.

"It's not the nature of the beast to turn over what it already has," he said of the federal government.



Sen. Mark Hatfield called for a new direction last Thursday in the nation's military preparedness when he addressed the Sandy Chamber of Commerce.

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