

## Meeting Summary for City Council Special Meeting

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### Quick recap

Mayor Ball led a special Shady Cove City Council meeting to discuss the acquisition of a 2.3-acre lot to develop a city park and the plans for the town's American rescue funds. She also proposed refurbishing old buildings and bringing in vintage trailers for lodging and recognized a local property owner by naming a bench after them in the new park. The Monarch Butterfly project is supported in the development, and Mayor Ball sought consensus from the council to proceed with the purchasing process.

### Next steps

Mayor Ball: will there be a motion to purchase the property located at 22023 Highway 239 in Shady Cove, Oregon for \$450,000.

Mayor Ball will work with the city attorney and city administrator on the legalities and any necessary paperwork for the property purchase.

The city council will consider and approve the motion to purchase the property.

### Summary

Shady Cove City Council Special Meeting on American Rescue Funds Mayor Ball chaired a Shady Cove City Council special meeting. The agenda item was American Rescue Funds, but no written or public comments were received before the meeting.

Mayor Ball shared the council's efforts to acquire a piece of property to develop a city park. After initial proposals for a park at the boat ramp and leasing school district land were rejected, a 2.3-acre lot in the center of town was negotiated for \$450,000, about \$200,000 less than the original asking price. The property will be used as a park, and no specific amenities are planned for this stage. Mayor Ball suggested a 30- to 90-day escrow period for further disclosure and due diligence before deciding, with the possibility of revisiting the opportunity in six months if the property remains available. New Park Proposal and Challenges Mayor Ball discussed the potential of establishing a new park in the heart of the town. He highlighted the park's proximity to downtown businesses and its potential to improve the area's walkability. He also noted the presence of a stable water source nearby, provided by Northwest Natural. However, he acknowledged potential challenges, such as the need to acquire a significant amount of land and the presence of older dwellings or cabins that would need to be addressed. American Rescue Funds Allocation Discussion Mayor Ball discussed the future plans for the town's American rescue funds. He proposed using a portion of the funds for other projects, such as welcome signs and beautifications, while also setting aside a significant amount for developing a new park.

The park, spanning 2.3 acres, will include various amenities like splash pads, picnic tables, and an amphitheater for concerts. Mayor Ball encouraged council members to voice any questions or concerns they had about these plans. Refurbishing Old Buildings and Vintage Trailers Plan Councilor Hubbard expressed his support for a proposed plan to refurbish old buildings and bring in

vintage trailers for lodging while also considering the needs of the current tenants. He highlighted the poor condition of the buildings, which need significant refurbishment.

Councilor Winfrey emphasized the importance of ensuring reasonable time for tenants to find alternative housing. She suggested that the team should obtain a copy of the current rental agreements and consider any stipulations that may be included, such as the need to bring the buildings up to code. Councilor Mitchell proposed the idea of recognizing a local property owner by naming a bench after them in the new park. He suggested that this should be considered during the disclosure and discovery period when buying real estate. Mayor Ball also highlighted the potential benefits of the property for the city, stating that it could be developed into a city park, which would be a significant asset.

The motion to purchase the property located at 2202, 3, Highway, 62 in Shady Cove, Oregon for \$450,000 was passed by the council.

Monarch Butterfly Project and Lot Reconsiderations were discussed. Mayor Ball clarified the property's zoning, initially thought to be residential but confirmed as commercial. He proposed reconsidering a previous motion to change the wording from residential to commercial. The motion was seconded and approved by all city councilors and the mayor.

City Park Development Opportunity Discussed Councilor Nuckles expressed her excitement about the city's opportunity to purchase a property to develop a park, emphasizing the potential for improvements and its positive impact on the community.

Mayor Ball sought consensus from the council to proceed with the process and requested assistance from the city attorney and administrator as needed. He also highlighted the importance of due diligence and sensitivity in handling the situation, given that people currently reside on the property. He ended the conversation by thanking the council and the staff for their support.