

FIFE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 26, 2012

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was held from 6:00 pm to 6:47 pm in the Council conference room for the purpose of discussing potential litigation & personnel per RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i) and RCW 42.30.110(g). All Councilmembers with the exception of Councilmember Hulcey were present along with City Manager Zabell and City Attorney Combs.

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor Cerqui called the Regular Meeting of the Fife City Council to order at 7:00 PM.

Present: Mayor Cerqui, Mayor Pro Tem Hull, Councilmembers Godwin, Curtis, Hull, Dukes-Gethers, and Wolfrom.

Excused: Councilmember Hulcey.

Staff Present: City Manager Zabell, Finance Director DeGroot, Public Works Blount, Community Development Director Osaki, Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Reuter, Police Commander Floyd, City Attorney Combs, Executive Assistant Edwards and City Clerk Etgen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Dukes-Gethers led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CHANGES, ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

City Manager Zabell pointed out that Council was provided with an updated agenda bill for Ordinance No. 1777.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Cerqui presented the following items for consideration on the Consent Agenda:

- a) Approval of Minutes – June 5, 2012 & June 12, 2012
- b) Approval of Payroll Vouchers: #48747 – 48776 in the amount of \$426,293.85
- c) Approval of Claims Vouchers: #86528 – 86661 in the amount of \$200,925.73

Mayor Pro Tem Hull moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Councilmember Godwin seconded and motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

Excellence in Public Service Awards

The Excellence in Public Service Awards were presented to Employee Art Gregg, Senior Water Quality Specialist and Community Members Shariyf Mayer and Stelian Paraschiv. Mayer is a Fife resident and Physical Fitness Instructor at the Fife Community Center, and Paraschiv is a member of the Fife Milton Edgewood Chamber of Commerce, the Fife Public Arts Commission and owner of Global Network Technology International (GNTI), a computer and network sales and service business located in Fife.

Council and staff congratulated the recipients and thanked them for their service and dedication to the City of Fife and presented them with a pin and plaque.

Proclamation - Park & Recreation Month

On behalf of the City Council, Mayor Cerqui read a proclamation designating July as Park and Recreation Month. Recreation and Community Services Director Reuter explained this is traditionally a time when all across the country Parks and Recreation facilities kick off their summer programming.

Chuck McDonald, Park Board Chairman, thanked Mr. Reuter and staff for their assistance in keeping the parks in good order, and thanked Council for their support of the Parks Department.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCIL DELEGATE

Councilmembers reported on attendance at the Community Open House, Relay for Life, Walt's Family Car Show, the Pierce County Regional Council's Policy Board meeting, a ribbon-cutting at the Verizon Store and Flex-A-Lite's 50th anniversary celebration.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Extension of Moratorium on Medical Marijuana Collective Gardens

Community Development Director Osaki reported Council adopted a moratorium in 2011 prohibiting collective gardens in anticipation of action by the State Legislature. An extension of the moratorium is necessary in order to allow the Planning Commission to review the matter and potentially receive more guidance from the State Legislature or through ballot action in November.

Mayor Cerqui opened the public hearing at 7:32 pm and with no one coming forward to testify immediately closed the public hearing.

A moratorium-extension ordinance will be placed on the July 10th Council agenda for passage.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 1777

Adopting Housekeeping Items and Updating the Code for Compliance with State Law— First Reading

Councilmember Godwin moved and Mayor Pro Tem Hull seconded a motion to pass Ordinance No. 1777 for first reading and place on the July 10, 2012 consent agenda for passage.

This is a housekeeping ordinance intended to address errors and outdated language in the Fife Municipal Code and to bring parts of the FMC into current compliance with state law. A scrivener's error will be corrected before the Ordinance is brought to Council for passage, which will modify language in section 2.68.030 changing "next senior official" to "City Manager's designee."

Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance No. 1779

Extending Weight Restriction on Levee Road West of 66th Avenue East (Milroy Bridge) - First Reading

Mayor Pro Tem Hull moved and Councilmember Curtis seconded a motion to pass Ordinance 1779 for first reading and place the Ordinance on the July 10th consent agenda for passage.

On July 13, 2010 the City Council adopted Ordinance 1717, which prohibited vehicles greater than 26,000 gross vehicle weight on Levee Road west of 66th Avenue East (Milroy Bridge) because of safety concerns due to the narrow width, lack of shoulders, steep slopes, and proximity to the Puyallup River. A sunset provision in which the weight restriction on Levee Road expires on August 1st 2012 unless the Council extends it.

With no improvement in the condition of North Levee Road west of 66th Avenue East Council agreed to removal of the weight restriction at such time as the condition of North Levee Road west of 66th Avenue East is sufficiently improved.

Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance No. 1780

Electric Vehicle Infrastructure – First Reading

Councilmember Dukes-Gethers moved and Councilmember Wolfrom seconded a motion to pass Ordinance No. 1780 for first reading.

Mayor Pro Tem Hull moved and Councilmember Godwin seconded an amendment to place the item on the July 10th consent agenda for passage.

Upon vote, amendment carried.

Chris Pasinetti, Community Development, outlined the proposed ordinance to Council, stating it would allow for but not require charging stations for electric vehicles, as required by Washington State law. Pasinetti reported the Planning Commission held a public hearing on April 4th, received no public testimony and recommended Council approve the ordinance. A public hearing was held by Council on June 12th, with no public testimony received.

Upon vote, the amended motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 1484

Pierce County Regional Council (PCRC) Local Centers

Mayor Pro Tem Hull moved and Councilmember Dukes-Gethers seconded a motion to adopt Resolution 1484.

Vision 2040 was adopted by the Puget Sound Regional Council General Assembly in April of 2008. Vision 2040 creates a framework enabling each city/town in the four county (Pierce, King, Snohomish and Kitsap) metropolitan region to take steps to create one or more central places ("centers") as mixed use areas of residences, employment, shops, cultural facilities and/or entertainment. The allocation of transportation funds are tied to the "centers" concept.

Fife has already amended the City's Comprehensive Plan showing a "Local Center" and will continue to provide staff for Pierce County Regional Council committee meetings. The adoption of this Resolution confirms Council's previous action; the proposed Resolution was discussed at the City Council's June 5, 2012 study session.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 1485

Interlocal Agreement adopting the Countywide Planning Policies – Candidate Centers

Councilmember Dukes-Gethers moved and Mayor Pro Tem Hull seconded a motion to adopt Resolution 1485.

Chris Pasinetti, Community Development, introduced David Swindale of the City of University Place, who briefly addressed Council and asked for Council's support of the Interlocal Agreement.

The three candidate Regional Centers under consideration within the Countywide Planning Policy (CPP) amendments include the Pacific/Sumner Manufacturing/Industrial Center; the City of Tacoma Manufacturing/Industrial Center; and the City of University Place. 60% of the cities and towns in Pierce County representing at least 75% of the population must ratify the proposed CPP amendments.

Each of the jurisdictions has provided information in support of their designation. The main benefit for having a designated center is that the planned concentration of housing and employment growth will better position that area for regional transportation funding.

On May 7, 2012, the Planning Commission recommended approval. The proposed Resolution was discussed at the City Council's June 5, 2012 study session.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 1486

South Campus Master Plan - Authorize Contract with TCF Architecture PLLC

Councilmember Godwin moved and Councilmember Dukes-Gethers seconded a motion to adopt Resolution 1486 authorizing the execution of a contract for the South Campus Master Plan with TCF Architecture PLLC.

Public Works Director Blount presented the matter to Council. Councilmember Godwin expressed his concern over the funding sources for this project. City Manager Zabell confirmed Council budgeted \$125,000 out of Fund 305 for this project.

The plan will encompass City Hall, the Community Center, the Swim Center, the Kinoshita Building, and Centennial and Fife Memorial Fountain Parks. The Campus may eventually include the current fire station and School District grounds maintenance equipment storage facility.

The City received bids from seven firms and interviewed three of the responsive bidders, with TCF Architecture PLLC selected as the top bidder. A scope and fee has been negotiated and is within the budget appropriated by the City Council.

Motion carried unanimously.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Zabell reported on:

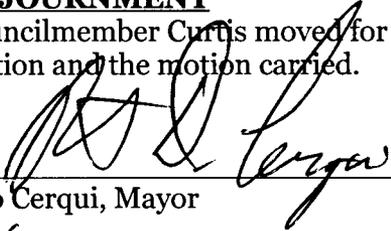
- Wellness Committee Well City Award – 6th annual award which provides a 2% discount on health care premiums;
- The Port of Tacoma interchange project was awarded grant funding in the amount of \$3.6 million;
- Paving overlay projects are scheduled for July 11th through July 19th;
- The Puyallup River Bridge has been funded and staff is working with Tacoma on coordination of the relocation of the sewer force mains;
- The Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department took over coordination of the car show this year for the first time;
- Over 500 children per day are signed up for swim lessons and the Puyallup Tribe is bringing 40 youth to the pool for their summer day camp;
- Approximately 50 people attended the Visioning Open House;
- A vacancy on the Planning Commission is being advertised; and
- Fireworks will be legal June 28th through July 5th with the Puyallup Tribe sponsoring a large show on June 30th at Firecracker Alley.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

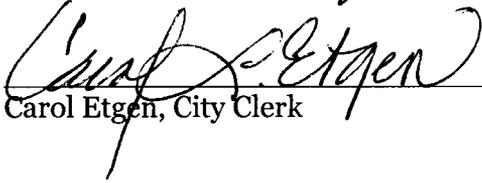
Councilmember Dukes-Gethers invited the public and staff to help with the construction of a playground at Saddle Creek on July 7th and 8th.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Curtis moved for an adjournment at 8:33 pm. Councilmember Wolfrom seconded the motion and the motion carried.



Rob Cerqui, Mayor



Carol Etgen, City Clerk