

**CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

Mayor Pro Tem Hull called the Fife City Council Study Session to order at 6:00 PM.

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

**Absent:** Excused – Councilmember Roscoe.

**Staff Present:** City Manager Zabell, City Attorney Combs, Finance Director DeGroot, Acting Public Works Director Gill, Community Development Director Osaki, Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Reuter, Chief of Police Blackburn, and City Clerk Etgen.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilmember Wolfrom led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**DISCUSSION TOPICS**

**Federal Legislative Update/Agenda-Additional Federal E-Fairness**

Justin LeBlanc, Fife's lobbyist, reported on the various issues which impact Fife, including:

- Puyallup River flood control;
- Port of Tacoma Road project;
- Submission of Tiger Grant;
- 70<sup>th</sup> and Valley project;
- SR167;
- City Center vision;
- Groundwater well development; and
- Budget development.

LeBlanc reported on the Federal E-Fairness legislation which authorizes states to collect sales tax for on-line sales. It appears it will be postponed to 2014.

Councilmember Hulcey suggested the Puyallup Tribal Council be included in conversations about well development for Brookville. He also requested LeBlanc consider discussing a harbor maintenance tax with the Port of Tacoma.

**Detention Services Analysis**

City Manager Zabell, Judge Ringus and Chief Blackburn reviewed this year's work on detention services which was necessary to reduce the subsidy from the general fund budget. Filling more beds on a consistent basis along with providing dispatch services to other agencies have been key factors in reducing the subsidy. Fife has been able to hire staff from other entities that have closed their facilities, and has instituted an electronic home monitoring program which has allowed people to pay for the program, stay home, work and go to school and treatment.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Councilmember Curtis moved and Councilmember Dukes-Gethers seconded a motion to go into

executive session for 10 minutes to discuss potential litigation per RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i). Motion carried unanimously.

Council went into executive session at 7:18 PM, and extended the executive session for five more minutes at 7:34 PM. Council reconvened into regular session at 7:39 PM.

**Washington State Liquor Control Board – Initiative-502 (Marijuana) Draft Rules/Land Use**

Community Development Director Osaki noted that the State has until December 1, 2013 to adopt a licensing system for liquor producers, processors and retailers, which will then be adopted by State agencies. The City provided comments on the proposed rules, specifically pertaining to land-use elements of the proposal, where there is a lack of clarity in the land-use separation requirement. Two examples Osaki provided were that there is no indication that trail systems are included in the definition for a park or playground area, or athletic fields such as the ones at Dacca Park.

**Summary of Change in Law regarding Use of Lodging Tax Revenue**

Assistant City Attorney Amann updated Council regarding the changes in law for the use of Lodging Tax revenue. After June 30<sup>th</sup> capital expenditures cannot be made for facilities owned by non-profit organizations; the facilities must be owned by a Public Facilities District or a municipality. Applications must include an analysis of how the receipt of funds will result in an increase in overnight lodging by persons traveling over 50 miles, which must be considered by the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) when making awards of lodging tax funds. The City will also not have the ability to make changes to the LTAC recommendations on funding. Reports by the recipients after use of the funds must be provided to the City, LTAC and State.

Economic Development & Marketing Program Manager Potter stated she is revising the applications to conform to the new requirements.

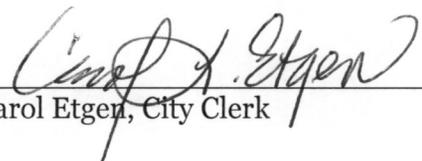
**REVIEW OF UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETING AGENDAS**

City Manager Zabell reviewed upcoming agenda items, including a Saturday study session to discuss capital budgets.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Hull adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM.

  
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Carol Etgen, City Clerk