

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was held from 6:00 PM to 6:54 PM in the Council conference room for the purpose of Personnel and Collective Bargaining per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g), Potential Litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), and Real Estate per RCW 42.30.110(1)(b). All Councilmembers were present along with City Manager Zabell and Assistant City Attorney Amann.

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 Roscoe, Curtis, Hulcey, and Wolfrom.

Absent: Councilmember Dukes-Gethers, excused.

Staff Present: City Manager Zabell; Finance Director DeGroot; Public Works Director Blount; Community Development Director Osaki; Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Reuter; Chief of Police Blackburn; Assistant City Attorney Amann; Executive Assistant Rota and City Clerk Etgen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Wolfrom led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. Approval of Minutes of: August 27, 2013, September 10, 2013 and September 14, 2013
- b. Approval of Payroll Vouchers as reviewed by the Voucher Committee: #49858 – 49885 in the amount of \$500,649.31
- c. Approval of Claims Vouchers as reviewed by the Voucher Committee: #90867 - 91022 in the amount of \$894,170.01

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

PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS**Presentation – Pierce Transit – Tailored Community Service Concepts/Process**

Tina Lee, Service Administrator with Pierce Transit presented information about Pierce Transit's work towards their Tailored Community Service Concepts process. Pierce Transit covers 292 square miles and provides service to 70 percent of Pierce County's population in 13 cities and towns along with unincorporated areas.

A Community Investment Team was formed of individuals from Fife, Milton, Edgewood and Puyallup along with the Tribes. Surveys are completed every two to three years; they know 56% of the individuals who ride the bus come from household with incomes which are less than \$20,000 annually. Routes for commuters, smaller vehicles and community-use vans along with parking locations have all been addressed.

Community meetings have been scheduled, including one at the City of Fife on October 30th. The Gig Harbor Trolley was briefly discussed; businesses are subsidizing the project.

Presentation – New Employee Introduction – Megan Jendrick

Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Reuter introduced Megan Jendrick, who has a long association with the Pool, and who has already suggested changes which have been implemented. Megan stated she is excited to be part of a program she is so passionate about.

Presentation – Harvest Festival Update

Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Reuter reported marketing for the Festival is in full swing with posters at local businesses and rack cards at City facilities, which lists all the planned activities. Reuter pointed out the schedule is also available on the City's website, and he thanked Festival sponsors.

Presentation – Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Recommendations

Assistant City Attorney Amann reminded Council of the changes to State Statute this year which give Council the ability to accept all of the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee's (LTAC) recommendations, reject them all or individual recommendations. Council cannot add to the recommendations or change the LTAC recommendations. Awards can no longer be awarded for capital improvements to facilities not owned by the City.

Debbie Dymarkowski, a LTAC member, reported the Committee met and reviewed requests, making a final recommendation of awarding \$414,000. She reviewed the full, partial and unfunded requests. Economic Development & Marketing Program Manager Potter reported the Nutcracker only needed funding in the amount of \$3,000 and not the full \$7,000 as awarded. The Committee is recommending the remaining funds be placed into a Special Events fund to be used throughout the year for other events.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 1843 - Passage

Amending FMC Chapters 5.01 and 5.44 Regarding Business and Taxi Licenses

Councilmember Roscoe moved and Mayor Pro Tem Hull moved to pass Ordinance No. 1843.

Assistant City Attorney Amann reported this ordinance amends requirements for taxi cab applications and provides some basic exemptions such as for lemonade stands and yard sales. There was some brief discussion regarding the sale of fish by tribal members; if on trust property there is no requirement for a business license.

Upon vote, motion carried.

Ordinance No. 1844 – Passage

Amendments to FMC Chapter 17.19 Commute Trip Reduction

Councilmember Wolfrom moved and Mayor Pro Tem Hull seconded a motion to pass Ordinance No. 1844.

Associate Planner Pasinetti reviewed the need to modify Chapter 17.19 of the Fife Municipal Code in order to remove the reference to the City of Tacoma as providing Commute Trip Reduction services for the City of Fife.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance No. 1845 – First Reading-Waive First Reading and Pass

Port Landing Planned Residential Development (PRD) Amendment

Councilmember Roscoe moved and Councilmember Wolfrom seconded a motion to pass Ordinance No. 1845 for first reading.

Councilmember Curtis moved and Councilmember Roscoe seconded a motion to amend the motion to waive first reading and pass Ordinance No. 1845.

Mayor Pro Tem Hull stated he felt the public had plenty of time to provide public comment; there would be no public benefit to waiting to pass the ordinance and it would eliminate the possibility of Council being contacted about the matter inappropriately outside of the public hearing which had already happened.

Upon vote, the amendment to the motion carried.

Associate Planner Pasinetti stated the applicant, Port Landing LLC, is requesting an amendment of the Port Landing Planned Residential Development (PRD). Council extended the public hearing of September 10th solely for the purpose of accepting written comment until 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 19, 2013. Two written comments were received during this time frame. One comment was from Katherine Owens, the project's landscape architect and the other was from Carol Sue Braatan who expressed concerns about the project.

Pasinetti responded to Ms. Braatan's concerns, stating traffic was a concern when the project as originally proposed, with eight people commenting on traffic. Harry Smith Road was closed at 62nd at that time, and remains closed. It has been determined the area is not in the current FEMA flood plain maps, nor is it in the County's draft hazard maps, so the development would not have to comply with those requirements. Environmental review was required as part of the original and amendment to the PRD. In 2001 officials determined a mitigation of non-significance sufficed. This was also true for the 2013 amendment, and neither has been appealed. There are no critical areas on the site.

Pasinetti reported staff has determined the proposed amendment is in the best interest of Fife's citizens, and that it would promote public safety, health and welfare. Approval is recommended.

Assistant City Attorney Amann stated with the public hearing and public comment periods closed, it would not be appropriate to take further public testimony.

Councilmember Roscoe and Councilmember Hulcey expressed her appreciation for the two pieces of correspondence received during the extended written public comment period. Mayor Pro Tem Hull noted the economy has improved since 2002 and the balance of single family to multi-family homes has shifted, which was of concern before. He looks forward to putting people into homes in what has been a blighted piece of property within the City. Mayor Cerqui stated the development still meets the City's codes and standards.

Upon vote, the motion as amended, to waive first reading and pass Ordinance No. 1845 carried unanimously.

Ordinance No. 1846 – First Reading Gambling Premises Moratorium Extension

Councilmember Hulcey moved and Councilmember Roscoe seconded a motion to pass Ordinance No. 1846 for first reading.

Community Development Director Osaki reported the ordinance had been subject to a public hearing on September 10th and now is before Council for first reading. If passed, it will extend the current

moratorium for an additional six months, through April 2014. The Planning Commission is working on this issue and reviewing conditional uses in two zones, which will coincide with Downtown planning. They are evaluating how gambling premises will fit into the City's future when developing the City Center vision within the next couple of months.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

**Ordinance No. 1847 - First Reading
Granting Sprint Communications Company, L.P., a Franchise for Noncable Telecommunications Facilities**

Mayor Pro Tem Hull moved and Councilmember Roscoe seconded a motion to pass Ordinance No. 1847 for first reading.

Assistant City Attorney Amann stated the proposed ordinance is for a 10-year franchise agreement with Sprint, who only has 290 lineal feet of fiber optic cable running primarily through railroad right-of-way. Councilmember Hulcey pointed out they paid the \$5,000 application fee.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 1565

Acquisition of Right-of-Way Property at 59th Ave Ct E

Mayor Pro Tem Hull moved and Councilmember Hulcey seconded a motion to adopt Resolution No. 1565.

Public Works Director Blount reported the acquisition of this property will allow for constructing standard sidewalks at the expense of the Puyallup Tribe for 59th Ave Ct E from 12th to Pacific Highway.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 1566

Ratifying a Purchases and Sale Agreement with Downs Real Estate Investments, LLC for Right of Way

Councilmember Roscoe moved and Councilmember Wolfrom seconded a motion to adopt Resolution No. 1566.

In order to develop un-signalized pedestrian crosswalks on the south side of 23rd St E between 54th Ave E and 58th Ave E, it is necessary to acquire a portion of the property located at 5610 23rd St E in the amount of \$91,600.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Zabell reported on:

- The 54th Avenue overlay project;
- The release of the non-signalized pedestrian crossing plans and specifications for bidding;
- The submission of drawings for the Port of Tacoma Road wetlands mitigation;
- The 4th Street water main construction update;
- The Prologis building being ready for occupancy;
- The Police Department released the Department mission and core values;

- The Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan is being updated and one of the four Lahar sirens will be replaced;
- A large group of volunteers from our local LDS Church completed a cleanup project at Wedge Park;
- The Parks and Recreation Public Survey;
- The Fife Public Arts Commission Auction Event;
- The City Hall Mural; and
- The Harvest Festival.

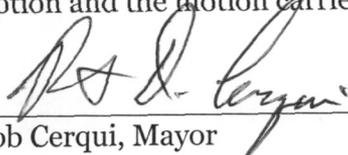
COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

In response to a question from Mayor Pro Tem Hull, Public Works Director Blount reported the Brookeville Gardens project would most likely take several years. The project can begin this year. Mayor Pro Tem Hull stated he had a lunch meeting with Senator Dammeier to discuss transportation funding.

Councilmembers Wolfrom and Hulcey thanked the LDS Church for their work in Wedge Park. Councilmember Hulcey encouraged everyone to weigh in on the Transportation Bill and provide written testimony.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Hulcey moved for an adjournment at 8:45 PM. Councilmember Roscoe seconded the motion and the motion carried.



Rob Cerqui, Mayor



Carol Etgen, City Clerk