

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 6:00 PM an Executive Session was convened for the purpose of discussing Real Estate per RCW 42.30.110(1)(b), Litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), and Collective Bargaining.

**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 Yambe, Curtis, Marsh, Hulsey and Wolfrom.

**Staff Present:** City Manager Zabell; Finance Director DeGroot; Public Works Director Blount; Community Development Director Osaki; Associate Planner Chris Passinetti; Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Reuter; Chief of Police Blackburn; City Attorney Combs and Administrative Assistant Merlino.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Pro Tem Hull led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**OATH OF OFFICE**

Judge Ringus officiated the swearing in of Councilmember Bryan Yambe who was elected to Fife City Council Position No. 1, and Councilmember Winston Marsh who was elected to Fife City Council Position No. 6.

Mayor Cerqui, Councilmembers and staff welcomed Councilmember Yambe and Marsh to their new positions on the Fife City Council.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Carole Sue Braaten presented a Pierce County Seismic Hazard Areas map depicting the liquefaction hazard areas. Carole suggested the City of Fife work with the Cities of Puyallup, Orting and Sumner to identify hazardous areas.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- a. Approval of Payroll Vouchers:** #49960 - 50004 in the amount of \$479,363.99
- b. Approval of Claims Vouchers:** #91617 - 91759 in the amount of \$720,640.84
- c. Approval of Minutes** of November 5, 2013, November 6, 2013, and November 12, 2013

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

## **PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS**

### **Fife High School Fall Sports Recognition**

Judge Ringus introduced the coaches and team members for 2013 Fall Sports Program. Council welcomed and congratulated the coaches and team members.

### **Holiday Tree Lighting Event Preview**

Parks and Recreation Director Reuter provided an update on the annual Holiday Tree Lighting ceremony and the many activities that will take place this year on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Reuter also reminded the Council of the free holiday movie at Columbia Junior High School on December 14<sup>th</sup> and Breakfast with Santa on December 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **Third Quarter 2013 Financial Status Report**

Finance Director, Dave DeGroot delivered the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Financial. Highlights included the General Fund sales tax revenue collections which were higher than last year, and are tracking well compared to the adopted/amended budget. The 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Real Estate Excise Tax collections were reduced from the first and second quarter, however remain higher when compared to last year. Other funds are performing normally as expected.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCIL DELEGATE**

Mayor Pro Tem Hull reported on his recent visit to Olympia on behalf of the City regarding budget requests for Brookville Gardens. He also discussed his appointment to the University of Washington/Tacoma Urban Studies Advisory Board and his appointment to the chair of the Pierce County Regional Council.

Councilmember Marsh reported on his meeting with City Manager Dave Zabell and his introduction to City staff. Councilmember Hulcey reported on his attendance to the DUI Memorial, which was prepared by Chief Blackburn, and Mayor Cerqui reported on his attendance to the South Sound 911 Board meeting.

## **ORDINANCES**

### **Ordinance No. 1853**

#### **2013 Comprehensive Plan Amendments**

Councilmember Wolfrom moved and Councilmember Hulcey seconded a motion to pass Ordinance No. 1853 for first reading.

Associate Planner Pasinetti reported the City Council's Public Hearing was held on November 12, 2013. Pasinetti reminded Council of the five proposed amendments and responded to several questions. Pasinetti commented there was audience testimony during the Public Hearing including a representative from the Puyallup School District and several individuals that testified on the Panattoni Comprehensive Plan Map amendment. Pasinetti advised the Planning Commission recommendations were outlined within proposed Ordinance No. 1853.

Councilmember Curtis urged Council to approve the Comprehensive Plan Amendments that are recommended by the Planning Commission. Councilmember Curtis further advised the property is not selling and has become a hardship on the property owners.

Mayor Pro Tem Hull spoke against the Panattoni Comprehensive Plan Amendment specifically due to the concerns with long range planning. Mayor Pro Tem Hull further commented he was not interested at this time to change the zoning designation in this area.

Councilmember Hulcey commented that the change in the zoning designation of the Panattoni Comprehensive Plan amendment is an excellent change to the area, as this area is not conducive for residents.

Councilmember Wolfrom expressed a concern that the Panattoni Comprehensive Plan Amendment is not a consistent designation in this area.

Mayor Cerqui acknowledged that the Comprehensive Plan amendments are living documents and help plan and develop the City. Mayor Cerqui stated he supported the change to the Industrial designation.

Mayor Pro Tem Hull moved to amend the motion by removing the Panattoni Comprehensive Plan Amendment from the original motion and approving the remaining 2013 Comprehensive Plan Amendments as presented. Councilmember Wolfrom seconded the motion.

The amendment passed with four ayes and three nay votes. Councilmembers Yambe, Marsh, Wolfrom and Mayor Pro Tem Hull voted in the affirmative.

Upon vote, the original motion as amended passed unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Hull moved and Councilmember Wolfrom seconded a motion to deny the Panattoni Comprehensive Plan Amendment.

David Miner, property owner along 70<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, expressed a concern with the denial of the Comprehensive Plan Amendment. Miner indicated the higher taxes on the property made it very difficult to sell.

Mel Kelso, property owner along 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue, urged Council to vote in support of the zoning designation.

Bart Brunstad, representative for the Panattoni Comprehensive Plan Amendments, commented Highway 167 has changed the vision of this property. Bart concurred that it makes perfect sense to change the designation of this property to industrial.

Jerome O'Leary, Kidder Mathews Realty, advised that his company has tried to sell the property with the current designation of multi-family, however has been unsuccessful. Jerome commented they have exhausted all opportunities to market this property and urged the council to approve the Panattoni Comprehensive Plan amendment.

Upon vote, motion carried with 4 ayes and 3 nay votes. Councilmembers Yambe, Marsh, Wolfrom and Mayor Pro Tem Hull voted in the affirmative.

## **Ordinance No. 1854**

### **Adoption of Stormwater Utility Rates for 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019**

Councilmember Wolfrom moved and Councilmembers Marsh seconded a motion to pass Ordinance No. 1854 for first reading.

Public Works Director Blount reported on the adoption of the proposed Stormwater Utility Rates for years 2014-2019. Russ stated two alternatives were being presented to the Council for consideration.

Alternative No. 1 includes a rate increase of 20 percent in each of the years 2014, 2015, and 2016 and 3 percent in each of the years 2017, 2018, and 2019.

Alternative No. 2 supplements the rates for years 2014-2019 with the adoption of an inflation formula, which would adjust the rates beyond the initial period.

Upon vote, Council approved Alternative No. 1, motion passed unanimously,

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **2014 City of Fife Washington State Legislative Agenda**

City Manager Zabell reported on modifications to the 2014 State Legislative Agenda as requested at the November 17<sup>th</sup> Council Study Session.

Councilmember Wolfrom moved and Councilmember Yambe seconded a motion to adopt the City of Fife's Washington State Legislative Agenda for 2014 as presented.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

## **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

City Manager Zabell reported on the following issues:

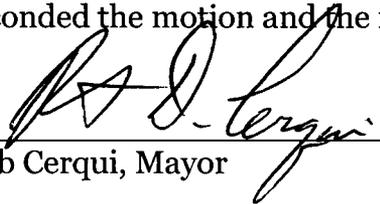
- The Planning Commission will be taking comments on December 2<sup>nd</sup> on a proposal to amend the zoning code to allow mobile food trucks in certain zoning districts.
- The Council Sub-Committee for Board, Committee, & Commission Appointments will be conducting interviews on Wednesday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>.
- The annual Nutcracker Ballet will be held at Columbia Jr. High School on December 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Upgrades to the audio and visual equipment in the Council Chambers and Municipal Court are on order and will be installed in the near future.
- The Benthein Loop paving is done and residents are getting ready to hook up to City water.
- The 70<sup>th</sup> Avenue punch list is complete.
- The Fife-Milton-Edgewood Junior Soccer Club held its 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Turkey Jamboree at Dacca Park.

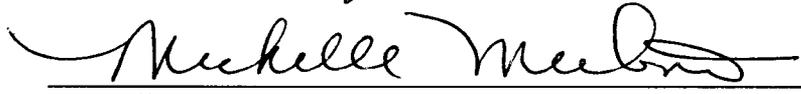
**COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS**

Mayor Pro Tem Hull welcomed the new Councilmembers to the City Council. Hull reported on the upcoming trip by a delegation of Councilmembers and the City Manager to Washington D.C. to meet with state legislators.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Hulcey moved for an adjournment at 9:20 PM. Councilmember Wolfrom seconded the motion and the motion carried.

  
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Rob Cerqui, Mayor

  
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Michelle Merlino, Administrative Assistant