

**FIFE CITY COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION MEETING
MINUTES
February 18, 2014
6:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Deputy Mayor Curtis called the Fife City Council Study Session to order at 6:00 pm.

Present: Mayor Hull, Deputy Mayor Curtis, Councilmembers Yambe, Hulcey, Cerqui, and Marsh.

Excused: Councilmember Wolfrom.

Staff Present: City Manager Zabell; City Attorney Combs; 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 Hulcey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

South Sound 911 (SS911) Update

Andrew Neiditz, South Sound 911 (SS911) Executive Director, provided a historical review of the formation of the SS911 agency. He thanked Chief Blackburn and Councilmember Cerqui for their participation on the Policy Board and Operations Board. The Center has a \$38 million dollar operating budget and includes dispatch and records facilities for 16 agencies.

Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies – Proposed Centers of Local Importance Amendments

Planning Associate Pasinetti stated the Pierce County Regional Council's Transportation Coordinating Committee and the Growth Management Coordinating Committee worked together to provide a list of local "centers" in Pierce County in order to help provide a greater linkage between transportation funding recommendations and land use planning. Centers are planned geographic areas which encourage more efficient transportation options. The City's downtown district center meets the "centers" criteria.

The process resulted in proposed amendments, which need to be ratified by at least 60 percent of the jurisdictions in Pierce County which represent at least 75 percent of the County's total population. If the City does nothing, it is counted as approval. The Planning Commission reviewed the amendments and recommended approval.

DISCUSSION TOPICS

Public Works, Community Development Directors and City Engineer Titles and Assignments

Public Works Director Blount discussed proposed changes to the Fife Municipal Code in order to allow the "City Engineer" title to be affiliated with an employee other than the Public Works Director. The changes also make changes to the Code to reflect current practices for certain duties in the Community Development Department and the Public Works Department.

REVIEW OF UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETING AGENDAS

City Manager Zabell addressed upcoming agenda items and reminded Council of the Retreat scheduled for February 21st and 22nd.

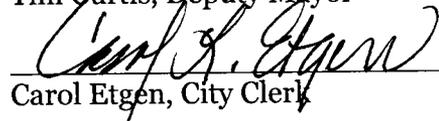
Mayor Hull noted the one-year anniversary of the passing of Councilmember Dick Godwin.

ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Curtis adjourned the Study Session at 7:19 PM.



Tim Curtis, Deputy Mayor



Carol Etgen, City Clerk