

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

An executive session was held from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the Council conference room for the purpose of discussing Collective Bargaining, Potential Litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), and Real Estate per RCW 42.30.110(1)(b). All Councilmembers with the exception of Councilmember Cerqui were present along with City Manager Zabell and Assistant City Attorney Amann.

**CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

Mayor Curtis called the Regular Meeting of the Fife City Council to order at 7:03 PM.

**Present:** Mayor Curtis, Deputy Mayor Hulcey, Councilmembers Yambe, Marsh, Johnson, and Wolfrom.

**Excused:** Councilmember Cerqui

**Staff Present:** City Manager Zabell; Finance Director DeGroot; Deputy City Manager Mukerjee; 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 Administrative Assistant Merlino.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilmember Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CHANGES, ADDITIONS & DELETIONS**

City Manager Zabell requested Item 6e "Presentation of the First Quarter 2014 Financial Status Report" moved to the last item under Presentations & Proclamations.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Administrative Assistant Merlino presented the following items for consideration on the Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of Minutes of April 8, 2014 and April 15, 2014
- b. Approval of Payroll Vouchers as reviewed by the Voucher Committee:  
#50465 - 50510 in the amount of \$719,701.02
- c. Approval of Claims Vouchers as reviewed by the Voucher Committee:  
#93189 - 93362 in the amount of \$964,152.93

Councilmember Wolfrom moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Councilmember Hulcey seconded and motion carried unanimously.

### **Presentation – New Employee Introduction**

Stefanie McCauley introduced Kelsey Geddes as the new HR Generalist position within the Human Resource Department. Kelsey earned her Bachelor of Arts in Communication & Business Administration and Minor in Event Planning at Western Washington University. She is currently studying to obtain her Professional in Human Resources (PHR) Certificate.

Matt Ray introduced Julie Dyer as a new employee within the IT Department. Julie holds a Bachelor's degree in Web Development from Baker College and a master's degree in Computer Science from North Carolina State University.

Dave DeGrott introduced Chris Anderson as the new Accountant within the Finance Department. Chris has obtained both an Accounting degree and a Master's degree in business from the University of Phoenix.

The Mayor and Council welcomed the new employees.

### **Presentation – Excellence in Public Service Award – Community Member Recipient Selection**

HR Manager McCauley stated the Excellence in Public Service Award Program recognizes community members who make a significant and outstanding public service contribution to the community and the City. McCauley provided and the criteria for receiving this award and read the list of nominations as follows:

- Mike Porter
- Frank Mizukami
- Gary Phillips
- Phil Waldner

*Councilmember Johnson moved and Deputy Mayor Hulcey, nominated the following community members to receive the Public Service Award: Frank Mizukami, due to his active participation within the City of Fife for the past 20 years and also nominated Phil Walner and Gary Phillips for their contribution to the construction and involvement with the Daffodil Float this year. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*

McCauley advised that the recipients for the Public Service Award will be presented their awards at the May 27<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

### **Presentation – Parks Appreciation Day and Arbor Day Recap**

Parks, Recreation and Community Development Director Reuter presented the recap of the Parks Appreciation Day as well as Arbor Day. Reuter acknowledged REI as the corporate sponsor and thanked the local Starbucks for providing coffee to the workers.

### **Presentation- Egg Hunt Programs Recap**

Recreation Services Supervisor Ryan presented the recap of the Egg Hunt held on April 19<sup>th</sup> and the Teen Flashlight Egg Hunt, held on April 18<sup>th</sup>. Both events were well attended.

**Proclamation – National Police Week**

Mayor Curtis presented the Proclamation to Assistant Chief Mears in honor of the City of Fife's past and present Police Officers.

**Proclamation – National Correctional Officers and Employees Week** Proclamation declaring May 4 – 10, 2014 as National Correctional Officers and employee's week. Mayor Curtis presented the Proclamation to Assistant Chief Mark Mears in recognition of the City of Fife's Correctional Officers and employees.

**Proclamation – National Public Works Week, May 18-24**

Administrative Assistant Merlino and Mayor Curtis read into record the Proclamation recognizing May 18 – 14, 2014 as National Public Works Week. Mayor Curtis presented the Proclamation to Public Works Director Blount. A power point presentation was shown illustrating the many tasks and projects the Public Works employees have encountered throughout the past years.

**Presentation – First Quarter 2014 Financial Status Report**

Finance Director DeGroot reported on the financial status of the first quarter of 2014. The presentation referenced materials from the Washington State Economic and Revenue Forecast Council of economic indicators at the national and state levels issued on April 10, 2014. The first quarter highlights include:

- General fund revenues
  - Property Taxes
  - Sales Taxes
  - Utility Taxes
  - Building Related Permits
  - Other General Fund revenues
  - Expenditures
- Detention Services Fund
- Public Safety Fund
- Stadium and Convention Tax Fund
- Growth Management Fund
- Utilities
- Cash and Investments

The Mayor and Council thanked DeGroot for a well done presentation.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCIL DELEGATE**

The Mayor and Councilmembers reported on attendance at the Wellness Committee; Rainier Communication Committee; Website Advisory Committee; Fife School Board Meeting; Parks Appreciation Day; Emergency Vehicle Operations Course; Tacoma Multi-Care Program; City Council Retreat; Regional Access Mobility Partnership (RAMP); Law Enforcement Memorial; Museum Board Meeting; Billy Franks memorial; Voucher Committee; and the Puget Sound Flood Control Committee.

## **ORDINANCES**

### **Ordinance No. 1864 – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

#### **Amending Fife Municipal Code Regarding Positions in the Fife Police Department**

Ordinance No. 1864 was pulled from this meeting and will be presented at a later date.

### **Ordinance No. 1866 – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

#### **Quasi-Judicial Permit Decision – Making**

Community Development Director Osaki presented an update on proposed Ordinance No. 1866 relating to Quasi-Judicial Permit Decision-Making.

Jeremiah Lafranca representing Master Builders Association of Pierce County submitted a letter in support of Ordinance No. 1866.

*Councilmember Yambe moved and Councilmember Johnson seconded a motion to pass Ordinance No. 1866 for first reading. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.*

### **Ordinance No. 1862 – Passage**

#### **Amendment to Salary Commission Appointment – Term/Frequency**

City Manager Zabell reported on the amendment to the Fife Municipal Code relating to the Salary Commission appointment. Commission members shall be appointed by the Mayor and approved by the Council for a 120 day term. The commission will be required to conduct its salary review and submit any salary increase or decrease to the City Clerk within the 120 days.

*Councilmember Marsh moved and Councilmember Johnson seconded a motion to pass Ordinance No. 1862 as presented and amend Ordinance No. 1862 by striking the language “or decrease” from Section 2.46.030(B) of the Fife Municipal Code. The motion as presented failed with 3 nay votes and 3 affirmative votes. Councilmembers Johnson, Yambe and Hulcey voting nay.*

*Councilmember Marsh moved and Councilmember Johnson seconded a motion to reconsider Ordinance No. 1862 as presented. Motion passed unanimously.*

*Councilmember Marsh moved and Councilmember Johnson seconded a motion to amend Ordinance No. 1862 by deleting in its entirety Section 2.46.030(E) of the Fife Municipal Code and amending Section 2.46.030(D) to read as follows: Salary increases or decreases established by the commission shall be effective as to all city elected officials, regardless of their terms of office. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*

## **RESOLUTIONS**

### **Resolution No. 1596**

#### **Accept 4<sup>th</sup> Street E. Improvements Construction as Complete**

Public Works Director Blount presented a presentation illustrating the improvements to the water main on 4<sup>th</sup> Street East from 54<sup>th</sup> Avenue East to 58<sup>th</sup> Avenue East and the paving of a gravel parking lot that serves the Milgard Nature Area.

*Councilmember Wolfrom moved and Deputy Mayor Hulcey seconded a motion to adopt Resolution No. 1596 accepting construction of the 4<sup>th</sup> Street East Restoration and Waterline Project as complete. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*

**Resolution No. 1597**

**Authorizing Amendment to Agreement with Redflex Traffic Systems**

Assistant City Attorney Amann presented the background history of the current agreement with the City.

Glenn Post, representing Reflex Traffic Systems, answered questions from the Council.

*Deputy Mayor Hulcey moved and Councilmember Marsh seconded a motion to adopt Resolution No. 1597 authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to the agreement with Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*

**Resolution No. 1598**

**Ratifying Purchase and Sale Agreement for Sale of Parcel No. 0420084065**

Public Works Director Blount reported that Benaroya Capital Company and SunCap Property Group expressed an interest in acquiring the proposed property for construction of a major distribution center.

*Councilmember Johnson moved and Councilmember Wolfrom seconded a motion to adopt Resolution No. 1598 ratifying a purchase and sale agreement with Benaroya Capital Company for the sale of Tax Parcel No. 0420084065. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Energy Efficiency Grants – Possible Budget Amendment**

Public Works Director Blount advised the City recently submitted separate application for upgrades to the heating ventilating and air conditioning, and lighting systems at the Paulson Criminal Justice Center (CJC) and Aquatic Center (pool). Both grant applications were successful, with the Washington State Department of Commerce awarding \$243,343 to the City for the CJC upgrades and \$130,952 to the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department for pool upgrades.

*Deputy Mayor Hulcey moved and Councilmember Wolfrom seconded a motion to authorize the City Manager to accept the Washington State Department of Commerce Energy Efficiency Grants for the Fife CJC and pool, to proceed with the work described in the grants, and to prepare a budget amendment to appropriate the necessary funds. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*

**Appointment to the Pierce Transit Board**

City Manager Zabell requested Council's consent to cast the City of Fife's vote of Daryl Eideninger, to the Pierce Transit Board of Commissioners, which completes the unexpired term vacated by Councilmember Glenn Hull.

*Councilmember Wolfrom moved and Deputy Mayor Hulcey seconded a motion to cast a vote for Daryl Eideninger of the City of Edgewood to serve as the representative for the cities of Fife, Milton and Edgewood on the Pierce Transit Board of Commissioners. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.*

### **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

City Manager Zabell reported on:

- The APWA Project of the Year Award for the 70<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Valley Avenue East Widening Project;
- May 6, 2014 Pierce County Council implemented new restrictions on vehicle traffic over the Milroy Bridge;
- Three members of the Fife Honor Guard went to a memorial service for two Alaska state troopers;
- Fife Police Reserve Academy graduation on May 17<sup>th</sup>;
- Congressman Heck chose Anette Cree from the Public Arts Commission as one of the community judges for the “Congressional Art Competition”; and
- Former Councilmember Dick Godwin’s brother, Mike Godwin passed away on May 8<sup>th</sup>.

### **COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS**

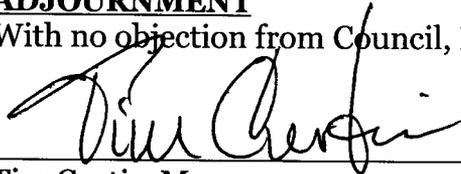
Councilmembers reported on attendance at the Law Enforcement Memorial; Councilmember Marsh reported his absent from the next Council meeting; and Councilmember Hulcey welcomed the three new employees to the City of Fife.

### **Citizen Comments**

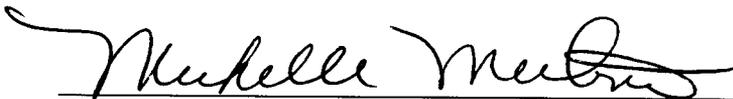
No comments received.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no objection from Council, Mayor Curtis adjourned the meeting at 9:54 PM.



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Tim Curtis, Mayor



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Michelle Merlino, Administrative Assistant