

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 Potential Litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) and Personnel per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). All Councilmembers were present along with Interim City Manager Mukerjee and City Attorney Combs.

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor Curtis called the Regular Meeting of the Fife City Council to order at 7:00 PM.

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

Absent: Mayor Curtis – excused.

Staff Present: Interim City Manager Mukerjee; Finance Director DeGroot; Public Works Director Blount; Community Development Director Osaki; Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Reuter; Chief of Police Mears; City Attorney Combs; Executive Assistant Rota and Administrative Assistant Merlino.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Wolfrom led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. **Approval of Payroll Vouchers** as reviewed by the Voucher Committee:
#50812 – 50855 in the amount of \$753,618.38
- b. **Approval of Claims Vouchers** as reviewed by the Voucher Committee:
#94482 - 94658 in the amount of \$1,709,185.98
- c. **Approval of Meeting Minutes dated** August 19, 2014 and August 26, 2014
- d. **Ordinance No. 1880 – Passage**
Amending Chapter 5.01 of the Fife Municipal Code regarding Business License Processing by the Washington State Department of Revenue
- e. **Resolution No. 1621**
Council Acceptance of Non-Signalized Pedestrian Improvements

Councilmember Yambe moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Councilmember Johnson seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Johnson commented the funds for the non-signalized pedestrian project were paid by grants the City obtained and the remaining balance was funded by the Safety Camera program.

Presentation – Port of Tacoma – Northwest Innovation Works Project

Rick Desimone, representing Northwest Innovation Works, reported the Port of Tacoma approved a lease agreement with Northwest Innovation Works, LLC to construct a two-phase \$1.8 billion plant at the Port of Tacoma. The location of the facility is at the former 90-acre Kaiser property. The proposed plant would convert natural gas to methanol for shipment to Asia.

Councilmembers requested Mr. Desimone attend a future Council meeting providing further information relating to staffing levels at Tacoma Fire Stations, emergency response plans, and disposal of hazard material waste.

Presentation – 2014 Fife Harvest Festival Update

Julie Ryan updated Council with a power point presentation illustrating the new logo for the 2014 Fife Harvest Festival. Julie presented the agenda for this year's Festival, advising all of the activities will take place Saturday, October 4th at Dacca Field.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCIL DELEGATE

The Mayor and Councilmembers reported on attendance at the Pierce Transit Community Investment Plan, Rainier Communication Committee, Wellness Committee, Voucher Committee, Fife High School Football game, and Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board.

Public Hearing

Zoning Code Amendments – Restaurants and Bar/Taverns/Nightclubs

Community Development Director Osaki advised the proposed Ordinance is a recommendation by the Planning Commission. Osaki noted that five emails were received by the City supporting Louie G's Restaurant relative to this public hearing. The emails were received from: Linda DeLay, Kimberly Sorensen, Amy Taylor, Roy Alexander and Dwayne.

Osaki explained the issue tonight is not to decide if Lou G's Restaurant should be allowed a Conditional Use Permit, the issue before the City Council is to allow the City Council an opportunity to receive public testimony about an ordinance that will eliminate the Conditional Use Requirement within the Zoning Code for any Restaurant that has any type of live music or entertainment within the Regional Commercial Zone.

At 7:54 PM, Deputy Mayor Hulcey opened the Public Hearing.

The following members of the audience spoke in support of the proposed ordinance eliminating the Condition Use Permit from the Zoning Code. Chris Pasinetti, Puyallup resident; Steve Russell, Auburn resident; Koli P. Bolden, Kent resident; Chris Haley, Renton resident; Shannon and Wade Stiles, Tacoma residents; Jay Sadulski, Fife resident; Mike Jones, Puyallup resident; Steve Unger, Puyallup resident; Michelle and Danika Haley, Renton residents.

Louie Galzara, Louie G's Pizza, thanked the audience and Council for their continued support.

Councilmember Johnson moved and Councilmember Yambe seconded the motion to extend the Public Hearing for an additional 5 minutes. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

At 8:14 PM Deputy Mayor Hulcey closed the Public Input portion of the meeting.

Councilmember Johnson moved to amend the Council Agenda adding an action item regarding the Zoning Code Amendment relative to Restaurants and Bars/Taverns/Nightclubs, seconded by Councilmember Yambe. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember Johnson moved and Councilmember Yambe seconded a motion to accept the Planning Commission's recommendations to change the zoning code and direct staff to prepare a draft ordinance for the next regular scheduled meeting. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

RECESS

At 8:21 PM Council called for a 10 minute recess, with the meeting resuming at 8:41 PM.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 1881 – Passage

Amending the 2013-14 Biennial Budget, as Amended

Finance Director DeGroot presented proposed amendments to the 2013-14 Biennial Budget. DeGroot commented the first reading for Ordinance No. 1881 was approved for 1st Reading on September 9, 2014. The amended budget addresses the following:

Capital project additions, including

- Real Estate Purchases,
- Acceptance of Police Grants, including Auto Theft Prevention
- Higher than expected detention services
- Collective bargaining agreement impacts,
- The option of funding a new revenue stabilization fund
- Revenue proceeds for financing capital projects.

Councilmember Wolfrom moved and Councilmember Marsh seconded a motion amending the Budget for the 2013/14 Biennium, as amended.

Councilmember Johnson asked for clarification relating to the debt proceeds for financing capital projects as it related to the increase in the budget.

Councilmember Johnson moved and Councilmember Cerqui seconded a motion to continue the approval of Ordinance No. 1881 to the October 14, 2014 Council meeting. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance No. 1882 – 1st Reading

Zoning Code Amendment – Gambling Premises

Community Development Director Osaki reported that on September 9, 2014 the City Council held a public hearing relating to gambling premises. Osaki reviewed the Planning Commission recommendations as follows:

- Allow “Gambling premises” as an accessory use to a hotel only in the “Regional Commercial” zone, subject to conditions.

- Prohibit “Gambling premises” in all other city zoning districts, including the Business park zone.

Councilmember Johnson moved to pass Ordinance No. 1882 amending the Fife Municipal Code relating to Gambling Premises for first reading and place second reading on the October 14, 2014 regular meeting agenda, seconded by Councilmember Wolfrom. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

**Ordinance No. 1887 – 1st Reading Passage
Creation of City of Fife Youth Commission**

Parks and Recreation Director Reuter introduced the topic relating to the creation of the City of Fife Youth Commission. Reuter asked that a correction be allowed within the proposed ordinance of Section 2.78.020 – Membership. “... the Youth Commission shall be comprised of up to nine (9) voting members, at least one of which shall ~~may~~ be a member of the Puyallup Tribe of Indians, ...”.

Councilmember Wolfrom moved and Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion to waive second reading and pass Ordinance No. 1887, as corrected, creating the City of Fife Youth Commission. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

**Ordinance No. 1883 – 1st Reading
Stormwater Utility Rate Inflation Indexing**

Public Works Director Blount presented an update on the proposed Ordinances relating to storm water utility rates, water rates, and sewer utility rates. Chris Gonzales, Project Manager for FCS Group presented an update on the proposed rate increases.

Councilmember Johnson moved to pass Ordinance No. 1883 for first reading and place second reading on the October 14, 2014 regular meeting agenda, seconded by Councilmember Wolfrom. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

**Ordinance No. 1884 – 1st Reading
Water Utility Inflation Indexing**

Councilmember Cerqui moved to pass Ordinance No. 1884 for first reading and place second reading on the October 14, 2014 regular meeting agenda, seconded by Councilmember Johnson. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

**Ordinance No. 1885 – 1st Reading
Sewer Utility Rate Increase and Indexing**

Councilmember Yambe expressed a concern with the sewer rate increase, specifically for residents on fixed incomes.

Councilmember Johnson moved and Councilmember Cerqui seconded the motion to pass Ordinance No. 1885 for first reading and place second reading on the October 14, 2014 regular meeting agenda. Motion passed with Deputy Mayor Hulcey, and Councilmembers Marsh, Cerqui, Wolfrom and Johnson voting yes and Councilmember Yambe voting no.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 1622

Approving an Amendment to the Charter of the Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District

City Attorney Combs updated Council on the revisions to the Public Facilities District Charter by eliminating Article VI, Section 2 of the Charter as follows:

"No part of the activities of the District shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation; and the District shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for office."

Council asked City Attorney Combs for clarification as to why the proposed amendment strikes out the entire Section 2. Council requested the first portion of Section 2, up to the semi colon be struck. Combs advised he will bring the clarifying question back to Council at the October 14th meeting.

Councilmember Johnson moved and Councilmember Yambe seconded the motion to continue the discussion of the adoption of Resolution No. 1622 to the next Council meeting, October 14, 2014, for further clarification. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 1623

Awarding Construction Contract for South Campus Phase 1, Including Fountain

Public Works Director Blount reported seven bids received for this project, with KBH Construction as the apparent low bidder for this project. Blount reported this bid includes the construction of a commons area between City Hall and the Community Center and the relocation of the Fountain.

Several Councilmembers voiced support of the relocation of the Fountain, however expressed a concern with the construction of a commons area between City Hall and the Community Center. Council also expressed a concern with funding the Brookville Park project and the South Campus Phase 1 Project at the same time.

MOTION TO EXTEND THE ADJOURNMENT TIME

Councilmember Marsh moved and Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion to extend the Council meeting for an additional 10 minutes. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember Yambe moved and Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion to continue the discussion of adoption of Resolution No. 1623 to the October 14, 2014 Council, meeting for further discussion. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Selection of Councilmembers for 54th Avenue Consultant Selection Committee

Interim City Manager Mukerjee asked for Council's confirmation of two Councilmembers to serve on the interview panel for the selection of a qualified engineering firm for the 54th Avenue Railroad Crossing project.

Councilmember Johnson moved and Councilmember Wolfrom seconded a motion to appoint Mayor Curtis and Deputy Mayor Hulcey to the 54th Avenue Consultant Selection Committee. Upon vote motion passed unanimously.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Interim City Manager Mukerjee reported on:

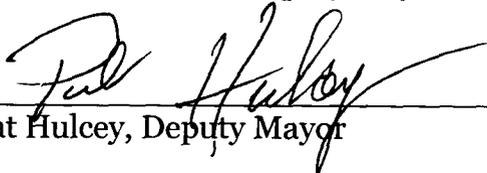
- Fife Harvest Festival scheduled for October 4, 2014
- Issuance of building permits for Portside, Port Landing and Kelsey Lane
- Fife Area Swim Team (FAST) has been officially launched and has exceeded expectations
- Fife Public Arts Commission raised over \$1,300 for the Fife High School Arts Scholarship due to the first performance of Valley Ballyhoo
- A Special Budget Meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, September 30th at 5:00 PM

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

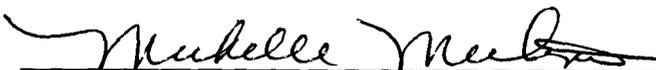
Councilmembers thanked the Fife Arts Commission for the successful Valley Ballyhoo event, attendance at former Superintendent John McCrossin's funeral, and thanked Councilmember Cerqui for his donation of fresh corn to the Fife Harvest Festival.

ADJOURNMENT

With no objection, Deputy Mayor Hulcey adjourned the meeting at 10:10 PM.



Pat Hulcey, Deputy Mayor



Michelle Merlino, Administrative Assistant