

**FIFE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
December 9, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor Curtis called the Regular Meeting of the Fife City Council to order at 7:20 PM.

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

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 Sr. Administrative Assistant Merlino.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Marsh led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Carole Sue Braaten, Fife resident, expressed a concern with the recent heavy rains and the impact on the river and holding ponds in the area.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- Approval of Payroll Vouchers as reviewed by the Voucher Committee:
#51014 - 51049 in the amount of \$659,046.35
- Approval of Claims Vouchers as reviewed by the Voucher Committee:
#95325 - 95441 in the amount of \$513,946.66
- Approval of Minutes of October 28, 2014 Executive Session, November 12, 2014 Regular and Executive Session, November 18, 2014 Study Session, November 25, 2014 Regular and Executive Session, and December 2nd Special Meeting.

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

PRESENTATIONS

Award Presentation – Miles Resources

Public Works Director Blount reported Miles Resources was awarded “First Place Quality Award” at the Washington Asphalt Pavement Association’s end-of-year conference in Spokane. Jeff Williams and Scott Droppelman, representing Miles Resources, thanked the Council for selecting Miles Resources as one of the City’s contractor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCIL DELEGAE

The Mayor and Councilmembers reported on attendance at the: Website Advisory Board meeting; Wellness Committee meeting; Chamber of Commerce Christmas Party; Santa

Breakfast; Youth Commission meeting; Voucher Review Committee meeting; Regional Mobility Partnership meeting, Pierce County Cities and Towns meeting; Dedication of Basketball Court; Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting; Tree Lighting Ceremony; and South Sound 911 meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING

2014 Comprehensive Plan Amendments

Mayor Curtis opened the Public Hearing at 7:40 p.m.

Community Development Director Osaki advised tonight's Public Hearing is one of two public hearings that will be held relating to the 2014 Comprehensive Plan Amendments. The second public hearing will be held January 13, 2015.

Osaki reviewed the proposed amendments as follows:

- School Districts (Fife and Puyallup Capital Facilities Plan Updates)
- 2014 Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan
- Comprehensive Sewer Plan Amendment
- Update to Comprehensive Plan Elements 1-8
- Panattoni Land Use Plan Map Amendment

Osaki acknowledged the Planning Commission conducted a Public Hearing on November 24, 2014 with the recommendation to approve all of the 2014 Comprehensive Plan Amendments, as presented, and made the following recommendations to the Panattoni Land Use Plan Map Amendment:

- Planning Commission does not think mixed use will happen at this location;
- The City needs to take into account vision, but property owners need to be respected;
- The flavor of this area has changed and feels more industrial than it does town center;
- The current plan designation does not seem to fit the town center or municipal campus concept;
- The City has accommodated the development of other properties in the City;
- The City has been flexible on Portside and also on Port Landing;
- Concern with additional noise and traffic.

At this time, Mayor Curtis called for audience comments.

Bart Brynestad, Gig Harbor resident; Todd Clarke, representing Kidder Mathews Realty; Dave Miner, Seattle resident and owner of property in question; Donald Marcey, speaking on behalf of Panattoni Comprehensive Plan Amendment; Melvin Kelso, Puyallup resident; all spoke in support of the Comprehensive Plan Amendment. A business park would be more successful than a planned residential area.

Brian Devereux, representing Puyallup School District, asked for Council's support relating to the School District Facilities Plan Updates.

Carole Sue Braaten, Fife resident, suggested no further development in the proposed area.

With no further testimony, Mayor Curtis closed the public input portion of the meeting at 8:42 p.m., and advised no action would be taken at this time.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 1898 – Passage

Eliminating Commander Position from Civil Service

Interim City Manager Mukerjee reported this is the second reading for the proposed Ordinance eliminating the Commander position from Civil Service.

Councilmember Wolfrom moved and Deputy Mayor Hulcey seconded the motion to pass Ordinance No. 1898 eliminating the Commander Position from Civil Service. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance No. 1899 – Passage

Amendment to City Salary Bands

HR Manager McCauley advised this is the second reading for proposed Ordinance No. 1899 relating to the proposed range of salaries for non-represented employees. The new range will allow the City Manager the flexibility when setting salary ranges as new positions are created.

Councilmember Marsh moved and Deputy Mayor Hulcey seconded the motion to pass Ordinance No. 1899 regarding a salary schedule for certain employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance No. 1895 – 1st Reading

Formation of a Transportation Benefit District

Public Works Director Blunt reported proposed Ordinance No. 1895 establishes a Transportation Benefit District (TBD) within the City and designates the City Council as the governing body for the TBD.

Blount advised a sunset clause could be added and presented to Council at the second reading indicating that the TBD can be dissolved within one year; unless the governing body of the TBD adopts fees or taxes, or incurs any debt.

Carole Sue Braaten, Fife resident, spoke against the TBD and requested the Council review this further.

Councilmember Wolfrom moved and Councilmember Marsh seconded the motion to pass Ordinance No. 1895 for first reading establishing a Transportation Benefit District.

Mayor Curtis moved to amend the motion and Councilmember Wolfrom seconded the amendment to include a sunset clause where the Transportation Benefit District can be dissolved within three years; unless the governing body of the Transportation Benefit District adopts fees or taxes, or incurs any debt. Motion passed with five yes votes and two no votes. Councilmembers Yambe and Cerqui voting no.

Original motion as amended passed with five yes votes and two no votes. Councilmembers Johnson and Cerqui voting no.

Ordinance No. 1900 – 1st Reading

Authorizing Inter-Fund Loans from the Miscellaneous Capital Projects Fund to Miscellaneous Grant Summary Fund & Street Construction Fund

Finance Director DeGroot advised when a grant carries over from one calendar year to another, a temporary year-end cash shortfall may be created and a temporary funding source must be identified. The proposed ordinance would authorize interfund loans from the Miscellaneous Capital Project Fund 305 as follows:

- \$ 325,000 to the Miscellaneous Grant Summary Fund, and
- \$2,650,000 to the Street Construction Fund

Councilmember Marsh moved and Mayor Curtis seconded the motion to pass Ordinance No. 1900 for first reading authorizing inter-fund loans from the Miscellaneous Capital Projects Fund to the Miscellaneous Grant Summary Fund and Street Construction Fund. Upon vote motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 1636

Appointment of Board/Commission Members

Mayor Curtis congratulated and acknowledged the selection of the newly appointed board/commission members:

Planning Commission Members:

- Doug Fagundes Position 3 Term expires 12/31/18
- Keith Wood Position 5 Term expires 12/31/18
- David Ranz Position 7 Term expires 12/31/17

PRCS Citizen Advisory Board

- Julie Claiborne Position 3 Term expires 12/31/17

Fife Youth Commission

- Justin Moreno Position 1 Term expires 12/31/15
- Randi Bushnell Position 2 Term expires 12/31/15
- Isaac Gethers Position 3 Term expires 12/31/15
- Rebecca Dickson Position 5 Term expires 12/31/16
- Sieona Squally Position 6 Term expires 12/31/16
- Kelly Phan Position 7 Term expires 12/31/16
- Gavin Georgitsis Position 8 Term expires 12/31/16
- Rayanna Wenning Position 9 Term expires 12/31/16

Councilmember Yambe moved and Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion to adopt Resolution No. 1636 appointing certain individuals to the Fife Planning Commission, the Parks Recreation and Community Services Citizen Advisory Board, and the Youth Commission. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 1637

Approving Dispatch Agreements with South Sound 911

Interim City Manager Mukerjee provided a brief history of the proposed transfer of the Fife dispatch services to South Sound 911. The transfer date is anticipated to be January 1, 2015, with the physical move of employees to the South Sound 911 facility in approximately six months.

Andrew Neiditz, Executive Director for South Sound 911, addressed the integration of the five bargaining groups, seniority issues and physical transfer of employees and equipment.

MOTION TO EXTEND THE ADJOURNMENT TIME

Mayor Curtis asked for Council's concurrence to extend the meeting to 10:30 p.m. No objection was received.

Randy Larson, Amy Ward, and Emily Sharrell, dispatch employees, expressed a concern with shift bidding and seniority issues as addressed in the Memorandum of Understanding.

Councilmember Cerqui expressed a concern with a potential decrease in response times. Cerqui suggested waiting until the new facility is built and then transitioning the employees and equipment.

MOTION TO EXTEND THE ADJOURNMENT TIME

Mayor Curtis asked for Council's concurrence to extend the meeting to 10:45 p.m. No objection was received.

Councilmember Johnson moved and Councilmember Marsh seconded the motion to adopt Resolution No. 1637 authorizing an agreement with South Sound 911 for transition of dispatch services and authorizing the assignment of existing dispatch services contracts to South Sound 911. Motion passed with six yes votes and one no vote. Councilmember Cerqui voting no.

MOTION TO EXTEND THE ADJOURNMENT TIME

Mayor Curtis asked for Council's concurrence to extend the meeting to 11:00 p.m. No objection was received.

Resolution No. 1633

Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies – Annexation

Community Development Director reported on the following Countywide Planning Policies that are now in front of Pierce County cities and towns for ratification:

- Joint planning agreements and annexation plans between cities and County;
- Explore financial incentives to encourage annexation of unincorporated areas;
- Encourage the resolution of overlapping potential annexation areas;
- Discourage the creation of unincorporated "islands" between cities and towns;
- Potential annexation area boundary should not split parcels;
- County shall support annexation of an area if a joint planning agreement has been signed between the County and city/town;

- Cities and towns shall be limited to annexing territory only within their adopted potential annexation area.

Councilmember Johnson moved and Councilmember Wolfrom seconded the motion to adopt Resolution No. 1633 approving amendments to the Pierce County Countywide Planning Policies and authorizing the City Manager to execute an interlocal agreement ratifying the proposed amendments. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 1635

Supporting Completion of State Route 167

Interim City Manager Mukerjee reported on a revision to proposed Resolution No. 1635 adding a new paragraph as follows:

WHEREAS, the lack of a completed 167 corridor also places major burdens on Fife businesses and their employees, adding time and money to the cost of deliveries, threatening the city's economic recruitment and retention efforts, and hindering plans to complete pedestrian-friendly, multi-modal corridors and "Main Street" segments on 54th and State Route 99.

Mukerjee also presented a draft brochure that will be distributed to the State Legislature supporting the completion of SR 167.

Councilmember Wolfrom moved and Councilmember Cerqui seconded the motion to adopt Resolution No. 1635 finding that the completion of State Route 167 is essential to the City, Regional, State economies and encouraging the Governor and the State Legislature to include the funding mechanism necessary to complete the construction of the project within the State budget for the 2015-2017 Biennium. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Cancel December 16th and 23rd Council Meetings – Establishing Date for Voucher Approval (December 22, 2014)

Deputy Mayor Hulcey moved and Councilmember Wolfrom seconded the motion to cancel the December 16th and 23rd and set the Voucher Committee date as December 22, 2014. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Interim City Manager Mukerjee reported:

- The Santa Run starts on Saturday, December 13th at 10:00 a.m.
- The State Legislative Reception scheduled for January 5th at 6:00 p.m.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

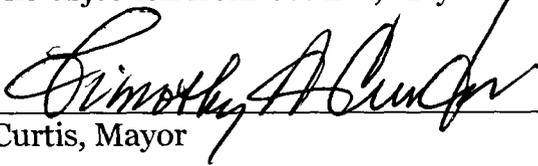
Council requested the City Attorney review the FMC relative to the Arts Commission membership appointment.

MOTION TO EXTEND THE ADJOURNMENT TIME

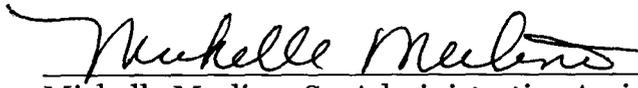
Mayor Curtis asked for Council's concurrence to extend the meeting to 11:05 p.m. No objection was received.

ADJOURNMENT

With no objection from Council, Mayor Curtis adjourned the meeting at 11:01 PM.



Tim Curtis, Mayor



Michelle Merlino, Sr. Administrative Assistant