

**CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

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

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

**Staff Present:** City Manager Mukerjee; Assistant City Attorney Amann; Finance Director DeGroot; Public Works Director Blount; Community Development Director Osaki; Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Reuter; Police Chief Mears; and Deputy City Clerk Merlino.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilmember Cerqui led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**DISCUSSION TOPICS**

**Pierce Transit**

Community Development Director Osaki reported on Pierce Transit's recent cancelation of bus routes 503 and 504. Tina Lee, Service Innovation Administrator, and Peter Stackpole, Principal Planner for Pierce Transit, provided a handout that illustrated performance measures and action taken to help those who used those busses to find alternate transit services. Stackpole reported an additional 600 service hours will be implemented in June 2015 and reviewed a map of the service area within Fife. Stackpole reported Pierce Transit will be adding more bus shelters and benches along City routes.

**2014 Lodging Tax Grant Highlights**

Laurel McQuade, Marketing Manager, updated the Council on the 17 proposals approved to receive grants in the year 2014, totaling \$414,000. Julie Watts, representing the Chamber of Commerce, and Dean Burke, Executive Director for the Tacoma South Sound Sports Commission, each presented an update on their entity's success and use of the Lodging Tax Grant. McQuade also demonstrated how she utilizes the funding within her department.

**2015 PRCS Board Work Plan**

Kurt Reuter, Parks and Recreation Director introduced Sarah Patt, member of the Parks and Recreation & Community Services Citizen Advisory Board, who gave a brief updated on the proposed 2015 PRCS Work Plan.

**Port of Tacoma – Parcel 14**

Community Development Director Osaki discussed the Port of Tacoma – Parcel 14 project, an undeveloped 120 acres of land owned by the Port of Tacoma, located in the City of Tacoma. The south and east portions of Parcel 14 are adjacent the Fife city limits. Osaki

outlined the potential impacts to the City. The City will have an opportunity to provide public comments on the following:

- Traffic - including traffic volumes, safety road pavement deterioration;
- Land Use Compatibility - including landscaping, setbacks, fencing and berms;
- Lighting - including parking lots, impacts on rights of way, and surrounding land uses;
- Noise - including construction and loading docks;
- Air Quality - including traffic and idling trucks; and
- Aesthetic – including building design, colors, and materials.

### **House and Bulkhead Removal near 54<sup>th</sup> and Valley Avenues and Wapato Creek**

Ken Gill, City Engineer, presented background information about City property located at 2402-54<sup>th</sup> Ave E. The boarded up house abuts approximately 100 feet of Wapato Creek with an existing bulkhead. The City Council will be required to designate this recently acquired property as part of the Yamamoto Park, which is adjacent to the property. The Yamamoto Park property is 2.65 acres in size and straddles 1,000 feet of Wapato Creek.

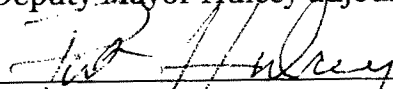
The demolition of the bulkhead and the restoration of Wapato Creek banks will have a substantial environmental benefit; therefore, these activities need to be packaged with the applications for other park development activities. Public Works staff will come back with a dollar amount, scope and final proposal for this project.

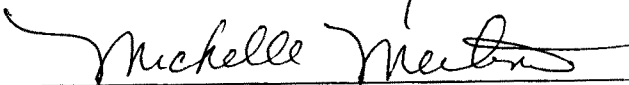
### **REVIEW OF UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETING AGENDAS**

City Manager Mukerjee reviewed agenda items scheduled for the next couple of council meetings.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Deputy Mayor Hulcey adjourned the Study Session at 7:54 PM.

  
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Pat Hulcey, Deputy Mayor

  
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Michelle Merlino, Deputy City Clerk