

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

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

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

Staff Present: City Manager Mukerjee; Finance Director DeGroot; Public Works Director Blount; Community Development Director Friddle; Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Reuter; Assistant Police Chief Woods; Assistant City Attorney Amann; Executive Assistant Rota and City Clerk Etgen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Jack Chandler, Chairman of the 9-11 Memorial, provided an update on the 9-11 Memorial and the escort of the artifact from Washington D.C. Mr. Chandler asked that the Fife and Milton Police Department help with escorting the artifact across Washington State.

CONSENT AGENDA

City Clerk Etgen presented the following items for consideration on the Consent Agenda:

- a. **Approval of Payroll Vouchers** as reviewed by the Voucher Committee:
#53535 - 51562 in the amount of \$564,691.97
- b. **Approval of Claims Vouchers** as reviewed by the Voucher Committee:
#97601 - 97763 in the amount of \$1,118,024.69
- c. **Approval of meeting minutes of June 23, 2015 Regular and Special Meeting**
- d. **Approval of amended Regular Meeting minutes of May 22, 2012**

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

PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

Presentation – Legislative Update

Doug Levy, Washington State Lobbyist for the City, and Brittany Jarnot, Legislative Assistant reported on the legislature's regular and three special sessions, and provided a summary of the achievements for Fife, which included:

- Funding for SR167, Port of Tacoma Road, and Brookville Gardens Park Project; and
- Amendments to the Public Records Act to protect the identities of minor.

Mayor and Council presented Doug and Brittany with a plaque in recognition of their continual effort in supporting the City of Fife.

Presentation – 2015 National Night Out Against Crime - Preview

Police Services Specialist Van Zanten provided a preview on the 2015 National Night Out Against Crime. This year’s event is scheduled for Tuesday, August 4, 2015 from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM at Dacca Park.

Proclamation – Farmer’s Market Week

Recreation Services Division Manager Ryan provided a brief update on the coming attractions at the Fife Farmers Market. Mayor Curtis presented Ryan with the Proclamation in recognition of Farmers Market Week, August 2-8, 2015

COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCIL DELEGATE

The Mayor and Council reported on activity with the Pierce Transit Advisory Board; thank you to City Clerk Etgen for her work on the public records bill; appreciation to Doug Levy and Brittany Jarnot for a productive legislative session; attendance at the Voucher Review Committee; Washington State Freight Mobility Investment Board Retreat; Parks Board Meeting; Fife School Board Meeting; celebration of the 100 year centennial of the Fife High School.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 1914 – 1st Reading

Temporary Homeless Encampment Ordinance

Associate Planner Burroughs presented an update on proposed Ordinance No. 1914 relating to temporary homeless encampment. The proposed ordinance provides that all encampments must have a permit and be hosted by a religious organization. Staff recommends approval or Ordinance No. 1914 for first reading.

Councilmember Wolfrom moved and Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion to pass for 1st reading and place on Consent Agenda of the next regular meeting the passage of Ordinance No. 1914, adding four new definitions and adding a new section to the Fife Municipal Code entitled Temporary Homeless Encampments. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance No. 1913 – Passage

Alexander Avenue Truck Weight Restrictions

Public Works Director Blount reported the proposed Ordinance imposes a weight restriction for trucks on the northbound lane of Alexander Avenue East north of Pacific Highway between the hours of 5:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Staff recommends passage of the proposed ordinance.

Councilmember Yambe moved and Deputy Mayor Hulcey seconded the motion to approve Ordinance No. 1913 prohibiting trucks northbound on Alexander Avenue East North of Pacific Highway East between 5:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

Councilmembers Johnson and Cerqui spoke in opposition to the proposed ordinance stating this could potential cause more vehicle traffic in other areas of the City and possible loss of funding issues for Alexander Avenue.

Upon vote, motion passed with five yes votes and two no votes. Councilmembers Johnson and Cerqui voted no.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 1671

Award Design and Construction Management for Brookville Gardens to BCRA

City Manager Mukerjee provided a brief background on a prior Council action in 2011 where Council approved a conceptual plan of the Brookville Gardens Park. The 2011 plan was reviewed extensively by the public and recommendations were received by the Fife Parks Board. Mukerjee asked the Council if they want to proceed with the 2011 plan or make modifications. The action before the Council was to authorize the City Manager to sign a contract with an engineering firm for final design and construction management for Brookville Gardens Community Park. Mukerjee recommended if the Council wanted to review the conceptual design further that Council could award the contract with the provision that the Council has a final review of the plan and then approve at the August 11, 2015 Council meeting.

Public Works Director Blount provided an update on the status of the project indicating that if the Council made any modifications to the current plan, it could incur additional cost and take more time to complete the project. With Council approval tonight the park will be completed in January 2017.

Councilmember Yambe moved and Councilmember Johnson seconded a motion to approve Resolution No. 1671 authorizing a contract with BCRA for final design and construction management for Brookville Gardens Community Park. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 1672

Adopt the Region 5 All Hazards Mitigation Plan

Assistant Chief Woods reported the Council originally adopted the Region 5 All Hazards Mitigation Plan in 2005. The City is required to review and update the plan every 5 years, and has been prepared and reviewed by the Department of Emergency Management.

Councilmember Marsh moved and Councilmember Wolfrom seconded a motion to adopt Resolution No. 1672 adopting the Region 5 All Hazards Mitigation Plan, 2015-2020 Edition. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 1673

Authorize Award of a Contract with R.W. Scott Construction for Reconstruction of 58th Avenue Sidewalk

Public Works Director Blount reported the City received a \$115,000 grant in 2014 for the reconstruction of the sidewalks along the east side of 58th Avenue East, between Fife High School and Harry Smith Road. Two bids were received for the construction project and R.W. Scott was the apparent low bidder for the project in the amount of \$194,592.00.

Councilmember Yambe moved and Deputy Mayor Hulcey seconded a motion to adopt Resolution No. 1673 awarding the construction contract for 58th Avenue Sidewalk reconstruction to R.W. Scott Construction Co., in the amount of \$194,592.00. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Naming of City-owned Facility at 3820 Freeman Road East

City Manager Mukerjee presented the idea of naming the newly acquired property located at 3820 Freeman Road East and currently known as the Holt Property as “Freeman Road Facility.” The City does not have any formal criteria for naming City buildings.

Councilmember Wolfrom suggested naming the facility after Marian Wetsch as the first and only female Mayor for the City. Mayor Wetsch was also very instrumental in the funding for the current City Hall and the Criminal Justice Center. Council concurred with the suggestion of naming *City Hall* after Mayor Wetsch and asked that this topic be considered at the next council for further discussion.

Councilmember Johnson moved and Councilmember Cerqui seconded the motion to name the Holt property located at 3820 Freeman Road East as “Freeman Road Facility.” Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

FEMA Flood Map Revisions

Public Works Director Blount reported on the FEMA Flood Maps Comment Period. FEMA maps have been in place and officially active for FEMA for the past 30 years. 90% of Fife will remain unchanged; however, 10% of Fife along the eastern edge of the City, along Freeman Road and upper grounds will be impacted. The FEMA appeal and comment period began on July 15th and ends on October 13, 2015. The City will review the maps and see if there are any facts to comment and/or appeal. Individual property owners must bring their comments and/or appeals to the City of Fife by October 1, 2015. The City will bundle all comments received and forward them to the FEMA Region 10 Support Center.

Johnson asked about the changes on the Wapato Creek Flood Plain. Blount acknowledged, he will do more research, however did not feel that FEMA remapped the Wapato Creek area and therefore, did not see any changes to that zone.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

- Tacoma Public Utilities has issued a water advisory and information will be placed on the City’s website;
- Washington State Department of Transportation has agreed to allow the City to acquire all right of way and access rights for Phase 1 of the Port of Tacoma project;
- The City received notification from the Department of Ecology confirming a grant for approximately \$400K for the SR 99 Stormwater Retrofit and Pedestrian Improvements project;
- The Arts Commission is accepting proposals for the design of five new monument entry signs for Fife;
- The Lodging Tax Advisory Committee is currently accepting applications for the 2016 Lodging Tax Funds;
- Friday July 31, 2015 is “Food Truck Night” at the Fife Farmers Market; and
- This weekend is the 55th Annual Seattle Men’s Invitation Fast Pitch Softball Tournament held at Dacca Field.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

- Council requested staff review the possibility to allow for extra handicapped parking as well as installation of painted crosswalk during special events at the Dacca Barn;
- The Fife School District voted to delay the new graduation requirements for the incoming 7th grade class, until the new standards are in place in the year 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

With no objection from Council, Mayor Curtis adjourned the meeting at 9:04 PM.



Tm Curtis, Mayor


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Carol Etgen, City Clerk