

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor Marsh called the Regular Meeting of the Fife City Council to order at 7:01 p.m.

Present: Mayor Marsh and Councilmembers Yambe, Gethers, Roscoe and Wolfrom.

Excused: Deputy Mayor Hulcey and Councilmember Curtis.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Cub Scouts Pack 64 – Webelos 2 led the pledge of allegiance.

CHANGES, ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

City Manager Mukerjee requested to change the order of the agenda, placing Resolution No. 1749 - Support Washington State Department of Transportation Application for SR 167 Funding after Adoption of the 2017 Legislative Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. **Approval of Payroll Vouchers** as reviewed by the Voucher Committee: November 23, 2016 Payroll & Partial Benefits in the amount of \$544,341.51
- b. **Approval of Claims Vouchers** as reviewed by the Voucher Committee: #102816 to 102966 and ACH transactions totaling \$1,940,753.32
- c. **Approval of Minutes** of: Special & Regular Meeting of October 11, 2016, Special & Regular Meeting of October 18, 2016, Special Meetings of October 25, 2016, Special & Regular Meeting of November 8, 2016, Special Meeting of November 15, 2016, and Special & Regular Meeting of November 22, 2016
- d. **Passage of Ordinance No. 1951** - Budget Amendment 2015/2016
- e. **Passage of Ordinance No. 1952** - Amending Section 4.08.020 of the FMC Regarding Civil Service Commission Terms

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

PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

Fife Police Department Lifesaving Award – Officer Pitman

Police Chief Fisher presented Officer Pitman with the Lifesaving Award and congratulated him on his life saving endeavors. Council expressed their appreciation for Officer Pitman.

2016 Halloween Carnival Recap

Police Services Specialists Steven Van Zanten and Kari Madore reported on the successful Halloween event. Council and staff thanked the various sponsors for their contributions.

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Adoption of the 2017 Legislative Agenda

Doug Levy, the City's State Legislative Liaison discussed the draft legislative agenda, which included Council's comments and discussion. The proposed agenda included:

- 2017-19 Transportation Budget Request – Additional Turn-Lane Capacity for SR 99/54th Avenue;
- Protect and Restore “State-Shared” Revenues; Provide Local Governments with Options to Better Address Local Resource Needs;
- Modernize the Public Records Act (PRA) to make it easier to administer and to allow local governments to focus more time and energy on community-based requests; and
- Increase Funding and Efforts toward Mental Health, Homeless, and Affordable Housing.

The City of Fife will join others on additional key issues by either supporting efforts to enact legislation and obtain funding, or opposing legislation deemed harmful to the interests of local government. Those issues included:

- Budget and Fiscal Matters;
- Criminal Justice/Public Safety/Courts;
- Economic Development/Infrastructure;
- Environment/Natural Resources;
- Land-Use/Growth Management Act;
- Local Government in General/Miscellaneous; and
- Personnel, Pension, and Other Human Resource Issues.

Councilmember Wolfrom moved to adopt the 2017 Legislative Agenda, as presented. Councilmember Gethers seconded and motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 1749 – Support Washington State Department of Transportation Application for SR 167 Funding

Public Works Director Blount reported on the funding of the SR 167 and SR 509 projects known collectively as “The Puget Sound Gateway Corridor” (“Gateway”). He explained that the Washington State Department of Transportation is preparing an application for federal funds for the Gateway project through the “Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies” (FASTLANE) program. Mr. Blount expressed his support for the application.

Councilmember Yambe moved to approve Resolution 1749 stating the City of Fife's support for the Washington State Department of Transportation's application for partial federal funding of the completion of State Route 167 through Fife. Councilmember Wolfrom seconded and motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCIL DELEGATE

Councilmembers reported on their activity with and attendance at: the upcoming Wellness meeting, Santa Breakfast, Tacoma Pierce County Chamber Holiday Reception, Senior Potluck at the Community Center, the Christmas Tree Lighting Event, Voucher Committee, and the Fife Library 5-Year Anniversary.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance for First Reading

Ordinance No. 1954 – Amending the FMC for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Compliance

City Engineer Gill reminded Council of the requirement that Fife Municipal Code changes are compliant with the NPDES permit program. The permit requires the City to have this completed by the end of 2016. A public hearing was held November 22, 2016 and comments were incorporated into Ordinance No. 1954.

Councilmember Gethers moved to waive second reading and pass Ordinance No. 1954. Councilmember Wolfrom seconded and motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS (CON'T)

Resolution No. 1747 – Reconsideration of Resolution No. 1747 Authorizing LID 2008-01 Segregation for DCT Freeman Road LLC

Assistant City Attorney Amann explained the reconsideration of Resolution No. 1747 and asked Council to consider allocating the assessment balance of one of the parcels to the other two parcels of the boundary line adjustment.

Councilmember Yambe moved to reconsider the motion to approve Resolution No. 1747. Councilmember Roscoe seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Marsh announced that the original motion to approve Resolution No. 1747 authorizing segregation of LID 2008-01 assessments for DCT Freeman Road LLC was on the floor and asked Council if they would like to make a motion to propose a substitute Resolution for consideration.

Councilmember Roscoe moved to substitute the new Resolution as prepared in tonight's packet for the Resolution under consideration. Councilmember Gethers seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Wolfrom moved to approve Resolution No. 1747 authorizing segregation of LID 2008-01 assessments for DCT Freeman Road LLC, as presented in tonight's packet. Councilmember Roscoe seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 1748 – Tacoma Public Utilities (TPU) Temporary Water Service Agreement for Port of Tacoma Parcel 14

Public Works Director Blount explained the City has been negotiating a Water Wheeling Agreement with TPU. As an alternate, the cities also discussed a Temporary Water Service Agreement.

Councilmember Roscoe moved to approve Resolution No. 1748. Councilmember Gethers seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 1750 – Capital Expenditure Reimbursement Intent

Finance Director DeGroot addressed the resolution authorizing the City to expend monies for 2016-2018 Capital Projects and later using federally tax-exempt debt for reimbursement.

Councilmember Roscoe moved to approve Resolution No. 1750 authorizing capital expenditures by the City for 2016-2018 projects when budgeted by ordinance and reimbursing itself later using federally tax-exempt debt in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$24,306,691. Councilmember Gethers seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 1751 – Move City Council Meeting During Renovations to Fife City Hall

Public Works Director Blount reported that all City Council meetings will be moved from February 13, 2017 to July 13, 2017 in order to renovate City Hall. The Fife City Council authorized award of a contract for the renovations of Fife City Hall’s Council Chambers and adjoining spaces through Resolution No. 1746 on November 22, 2016.

Councilmember Wolfrom moved to approve Resolution 1751 moving the location of Fife City Council meetings to the Courtroom at the James Paulson Criminal Justice Center from February 13, 2017 to July 13, 2017. Councilmember Yambe seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 1752 – Ratifying an Agreement with John and Marquette Fietz for Acquisition of Property in Lieu of Condemnation

Public Works Director Blount reported that the City negotiated a Purchase and Sales Agreement with John and Marquette Fietz for \$11,000, which constituted just compensation based on market analysis.

Councilmember Roscoe moved to approve Resolution 1752 ratifying an agreement with John and Marquette Fietz for purchase of a portion of Parcel No. 0420073079 in lieu of condemnation. Councilmember Gethers seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 1753 – Authorizing Third Amendment to Employment Agreement with Subir Mukerjee Regarding City Manager Position

Assistant City Attorney Amann presented on City Manager Mukerjee’s employment agreement amendment. He explained that Council has reviewed Mr. Mukerjee’s performance as City Manager in Executive Session.

Discussion ensued on a performance adjustment to his salary, and Council expressed appreciation for Mr. Mukerjee’s service to the City and the Community.

Councilmember Gethers moved to adopt Resolution No. 1753, authorizing the Mayor to sign the Third Amendment to Employment Agreement with Subir Mukerjee, with the 2017 salary being increased to \$14,271.84 per month. Councilmember Roscoe seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 1754 – Delegating to the City Manager, Finance Director-Treasurer, Public Works Director, Assistant Public Works Director, and City Engineer the Authority to Legally Bind the City for the Sole Purpose of Requesting Federal Reimbursement

Public Works Director Blount reported on the revised Code of Federal Regulations which requires individuals who sign reimbursement requests be authorized to legally bind the agency. Mr. Blount explained that the City Manager is the only authorized individual at the agency. He asked that the authorization be extended to the Finance Director-Treasurer, Public Works Director, Assistant Public Works Director and City Engineer.

Councilmember Wolfrom moved to adopt Resolution No. 1754 delegating authority to legally bind the City for the sole purpose of requesting federal reimbursement delegating to the City Manager, Finance Director – Treasurer, Public Works Director, Assistant Public Works Director and City Engineer. Councilmember Gethers seconded and motion carried unanimously.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Mukerjee reported on:

- The Fife Area Swim Team competing at a Championship Swim Meet placing 12th out of 42 teams in the Pacific Northwest;
- Recreation staff running a Holiday Break Camp during Christmas Break at Surprise Lake Middle School;
- A contractor working on the installation of Light Emitting Diode (LED) street lights in various locations around Fife;
- An upcoming Neighborhood Meeting regarding Murrey’s Disposal Master Improvement Plan; and
- David DeGroot’s retirement and acknowledged his public service.


Council congratulated Mr. DeGroot on his upcoming retirement.

ADJOURNMENT

With no objection, Mayor Marsh adjourned the meeting at 8:43 p.m.



Winston E. Marsh, Jr., Mayor



Angela Woods, Deputy City Clerk