

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Deputy Mayor Yambe called the Fife City Council Study Session to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Deputy Mayor Yambe, Mayor Roscoe, and Councilmembers Gethers, McClellan and Wolfrom.

Excused: Councilmember Curtis.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Gethers led the pledge of allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

SwimJitsu Recap

Deputy Mayor Yambe called on Aquatics Director Jendrick to present.

Director Jendrick thanked Council for the opportunity to present a recap on the recent successful SwimJitsu event at the Aquatics Center. This was the first year for this new event. 300 people registered for the event. The Aquatics department combined the SwimJitsu activity with the “Water Safety Day” that the city has done annually for several years now. Total revenue from the event was \$7,600. Director Jendrick thanked all the sponsors of the event; LTAC Committee, USA Swimming, Travel Tacoma, Almond Roca, and FAST (Fife Area Swim Team) Volunteers.

Mayor Roscoe expressed her appreciation of the event.

Erdahl Ditch Pump Replacement Contract

Deputy Mayor Yambe called on Public Works Director Blount to present.

Director Blount informed Council that City Engineer Ken Gill was overseeing the project and introduced City Engineer Gill and Joel Link from Parametrix to give the presentation.

City Engineer Gill reminded Council that they budgeted \$130,000 for the pump repair project at the Erdahl Ditch Pump Station. When the project was budgeted, only one pump was showing signs of wear. That budgeted amount of \$130k was for the repair of one pump only and repairing it with a “like” pump. However, as the project advanced, it became clearer that the pump station was in worse shape than originally thought. With

the record setting rains of 2016-2017, two of the three pumps have been removed from service and are no longer able to be rebuilt. Staff selected Parametrix as the most qualified consultant to recommend a replacement pump system. City Engineer Gill introduced Joel Linke from Parametrix to discuss their recommendation.

Joel Linke discussed the project, the differences between repairing or replacing the pumps, their recommendation, and the bids received.

- Recommended replacing with 100 horsepower submersible axial flow pump and installing screen to improve pump inlet conditions.
- Engineer's opinion of probable construction cost is \$130k per pump.
- City received four (4) bids total with the apparent low bidder at \$399,000.

Joel also discussed the purpose of the pump station project, the improvement options, future replacement plans, construction costs, options for reducing those costs and concluded by repeating his recommendation (listed above).

City Engineer Gill discussed possible funding options due to the increased project cost. City Engineer Gill informed Council that staff has reviewed the adopted Capital Projects Plan and recommends deferring the following projects:

- 1.) 12th Street E and 58th Ave E culvert replacement (\$260k).
- 2.) 4th Street E and 56th Ave E survey and hydrology study to remedy 56th Ave E flooding (\$60k).
- 3.) 4th Street E and 54th Ave E culvert removal (\$150k).
- 4.) 20th Street E, west Port of Tacoma Rd. E. culvert replacement (\$190k).

City Engineer Gill stated that deferring these projects will allow the Erdahl Ditch Pump station pump replacement to be completed without affecting Fife's stormwater utility rates.

Mayor Roscoe asked when were each of those projects supposed to be completed and when would they be deferred to. City Engineer Gill answered that they would be budgeted out over the next four years.

City Manager Mukerjee stated that staff and council would be reviewing the entire capital projects list at the August Study Session.

Code Enforcement – Nuisance and Dangerous Structures

Deputy Mayor Yambe called Director Friddle to present.

Director Friddle Introduced the topic – Code Enforcement – Nuisance and dangerous structures. Director Friddle discussed the option of adding new codes to help the city better address the problems in a quicker and more streamlined process. The staff proposal would also include a provision to recover city costs, including the possibility to place a lien on the property if necessary. Director Friddle discussed the difference between nuisance structures and dangerous structures.

Council supports staff to do additional research and bring back more information and suggested code amendments at a future council meeting.

REVIEW OF UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETING AGENDAS

City Manager Mukerjee reviewed agenda items scheduled for upcoming Council meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

With no objection, Deputy Mayor Yambe adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.



Bryan Yambe, Deputy Mayor



Brodie Rota, Executive Assistant