

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor Roscoe called the Regular Meeting of the Fife City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Staff Present: City Manager Mukerjee; Finance Director Luat; Public Works Director Blount; Aquatics Director Jendrick; Police Chief Fisher; Community Development Director Friddle; City Attorney Combs; Executive Assistant Rota and Acting City Clerk Woods.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Wolfrom led the pledge of allegiance.

CHANGES, ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

City Manager Mukerjee requested to remove Ordinance No. 1963 regarding the Fence Ordinance Amendment, and to add a New Business item called "Consideration of City Manager Hiring".

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. **Approval of Payroll Vouchers** as reviewed by the Voucher Committee: July 25, 2017 Payroll & Benefits which included the Semi-Annual July HSA/VEBA Employer Contributions in the amount of \$850,202.58
- b. **Approval of Claims Vouchers** as reviewed by the Voucher Committee: Check numbers 105036 through 105170 in the amount of \$2,441,926.09 and automated clearing house transactions totaling \$84,608.08
- c. **Approval of Minutes** of the Regular Meeting on June 27, 2017 and Special and Regular Meetings on July 11, 2017

Councilmember Gethers moved to pass the consent agenda as presented. Councilmember Wolfrom seconded and motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

2017 Fife Public Arts Commission Work Plan

Communications and Marketing Program Manager McQuade introduced Arts Commissioners Lisa Daniel and Julie Watts who presented on the 2017 Public Arts Commission Work Plan. No action was required. The 2017 Work Plan will be placed on a future Council agenda for action.

Approval of City Monument Sign Location

Communications and Marketing Program Manager McQuade and Arts Commissioners Lisa Daniel and Julie Watts reviewed with Council the preliminary location for a monument sign. Fife Public Arts Commission and City staff studied potential locations and recommended locating the first monument sign at the corner of 20th Street East and Freeman Road.

Councilmember Curtis moved to approve the location of the corner of 20th Street East and Freeman Road and direct staff to work with the property owner to acquire an easement for sign placement. Deputy Mayor Yambe seconded and motion carried unanimously.

2017 National Night Out Against Crime – Event Recap

Captain Eastman, and Police Service Specialists Van Zanten and Madore gave a recap on the National Night Out Against Crime event. Approximately 500 to 600 citizens came out to the event. They presented on the activities and information booths at the event.

The next event sponsored by the Fife Police Department will be the Fife Halloween Carnival on October 31st at Columbia Junior High.

Council thanked staff for the great work.

Association of Washington Cities Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership

City Manager Mukerjee announced Deputy Mayor Yambe earned his advanced certificate of Municipal Leadership award from the Association of Washington Cities. Mayor Roscoe recognized and presented Deputy Mayor Yambe with a pin and the award from AWC.

Council and City staff congratulated Deputy Mayor Yambe on his achievement.

Second Quarter 2017 Financial Status Report

Finance Director Luat presented on the second quarter update of the City's financial performance ending June 30, 2017.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCIL DELEGATES

Councilmembers reported on their activity with and attendance at: Lodging Tax Advisory Committee meeting, Voucher Review Committee, South Sound 911 retreat, Fife Farmer's Market, Freight Mobility Board briefing, Pierce County Flood District Advisory Board, Fife Historical Society Board Meeting.

BREAK

At 8:00 p.m., Council recessed for five minutes.

ORDINANCES

First Reading

Ordinance No. 1962 – Reorganizing the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department

City Attorney Combs and Acting City Clerk Woods explained to Council the next steps on the postponed item from the July 11, 2017 Council meeting. City Manager Mukerjee reported that staff has evaluated the public comments, meet with Parks and Recreation staff as well as labor unions. The modified proposal included two divisions under the Parks, Recreations and Aquatics department. The two divisions were Recreation and Aquatics, and Facilities Maintenance. Mr. Mukerjee explained how the change will adjust the budget and affect citizens.

At the previous Council meeting, Councilmember Wolfrom moved to approve Ordinance No. 1962 for first reading. Councilmember Gethers seconded.

Councilmember Curtis amended the motion to name the new department the Parks, Recreation and Aquatics Department. Deputy Mayor Yambe seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Curtis amended the motion, as amended to waive first reading and adopt Ordinance No. 1962. Mayor Roscoe seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Citizens commented on new information brought forward from City Manager Mukerjee.

Mizu Sugimura, citizen, spoke positively of the community center and summer programs.

Brian Dominic, citizen, encouraged Parks and Recreation activities. Opposed the reorganization.

Emily Carnese, citizen, encouraged increasing revenues. Opposed making the decision tonight.

Lauren Bonck, citizen, spoke upon the difference between the departments.

Brian Humphreys, citizen, opposed decrease in programs.

Sarah Patt, and Michelle Bunker opposed making the decision before the new City Manager starts.

Park Director Reuter, Fife employee, was not aware that public outreach was complete. Does not support the dismantling of the department. He supported waiting for the new City Manager.

Councilmembers Wolfrom, Gethers, and Curtis, Deputy Mayor Yambe and Mayor Roscoe commented on the reorganization, continuance of programs, and community support.

Council voted on the amended motion adopting Ordinance No. 1962 reorganizing the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department, naming the new department

the Parks, Recreation and Aquatics Department, and waiving first reading. Motion carried 6-1 (Councilmember Hulcey voted no).

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 1780 – Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Programmatic Agreement with the Corps regarding the Puyallup River Basin Flood-Risk Management General Investigation/Feasibility Study

Public Works Blount presented on a programmatic agreement with the Corps of Engineers. The agreement is to enable to Corps to meet its responsibilities under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act for the Puyallup River Flood-Risk Management General Investigation/Feasibility Study. The City of Fife will be a concurring party in the agreement.

Councilmember Wolfrom moved to approve Resolution No. 1780 authorizing the City Manager to execute on behalf of the City the Programmatic Agreement with the Corps of Engineers regarding Cultural Resources as a concurring party. Councilmember Gethers seconded and motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration of City Manager Hiring

City Attorney Combs gave an overview on the search, screening and selection process for a new city manager that included input from city staff and the public. Hyun Kim is the remaining finalist considered by Council for the position of City Manager.

Deputy Mayor Yambe moved to authorize the City Attorney to negotiate an employment agreement with Hyun Kim for the position of City Manager and to present the proposed agreement to the City Council for approval at a future council meeting. Councilmember Gethers seconded and motion carried unanimously.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

The City Manager reported on:

- Music in the Park at Dacca Park in conjunction with the Farmers Market;
- A 5K-Run event on Saturday, September 9th;
- The Fife Area Swim Team having 14 swimmers qualify and compete at the Pacific Northwest Swimming Championships;
- Two swimmers qualifying for Western Zones that will take place in California; and
- The selection of two Councilmembers to be liaisons to the Puyallup Tribal Council.

Discussion ensued on the two liaisons. Councilmember Wolfrom nominated Mayor Roscoe, Councilmember Gethers nominated Councilmember Curtis, Councilmember Hulcey nominated himself, and Deputy Mayor Yambe nominated himself to be a liaison.

City Manager Mukerjee offered more time and selected the September 12th Council Meeting for Council's decision.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

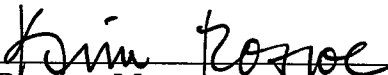
Councilmember McClellan expressed concern with loiters at the community garden late at night.

Councilmember Hulcey commented on the compliance of two motels in Fife, asked about a street banner across 54th Street, and inquired on the City's participation at Tacoma Planning Commission's subarea planning activities.

Councilmember Gethers inquired on the time for the Fun Run.

ADJOURNMENT

With no objection, Mayor Roscoe adjourned the meeting at 9:35 p.m.



Kim Roscoe, Mayor



Angela Woods, CMC, Acting City Clerk