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Golden Jubilee – Summer Events Schedule

Mayor Kelley announced the following events:

- June 2007 - Contact the City regarding discounted tickets for Tacoma Rainier's Baseball
- July 21, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. – Community picnic and movie at Dacca Park
- August 4, 2007 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. – National Kids Night Out at Fife High School

Los Gordos Recognition

Councilmember Edwards presented a certificate of appreciation to Sonja Ramirez, owner of Los Gordos, for recently receiving the Washington State Crime Prevention Association, Washington State Business of the Year Award for efforts in assisting the Fife Police Department and the City of Fife on an ongoing basis with the Latino Outreach Program. Throughout the year, she has assisted with coordination and assistance with food and items for children. The program would not be a success without citizen and business support. A City of Fife Police Officer accepted the certificate of appreciation on behalf of Los Gordos.

National Police Officer/Correction Officer Week - Proclamation

Mayor Kelley read two proclamations recognizing May 6 through 12, 2007 as National Correctional Officers Week and May 13 through 19, 2007 as National Police Officers Week.

A City of Fife Police Officer accepted the proclamations on behalf of the City of Fife.

Legislative Update

Dick Dorsett, Strategies 360, briefed the Council on the outcome of the legislative session:

- House Bill 1396 – Passed and awaiting Governor's signature.
- May 28, 2007 – Final Roads Package.
- June 08, 2007 – Full RTED planning committee will meet and vote to approve a regional roads package.
- Legislative efforts underway for a Regional Transportation Commission did not pass. Approximately \$400,000 was allocated to the State Transportation Commission, which could potentially assist with further pursuance of the goal.
- Senate Bill 167 – Mr. Dorsett encouraged the Council to monitor the issue. Alternatives for freight product revenue will be considered.
- Transportation Benefit District – The bill passed approving a \$20

councilmanic fee for Central Puget Sound counties that wish to approve it.

- Mobile Hand-held Device Bill – Passed and will be implemented in 2008.
- Tax Increment Financing – Increased by \$2.5 million to finance local infrastructure. Mr. Dorsett encouraged the City to monitor the trend, as it could be a tool to finance projects such as community centers in the future.
- Dogs in Bars Bill – Did not pass.
- The frog was declared the state amphibian.
- Port of Tacoma Bridge process moving forward. Washington, D.C. meetings will be scheduled.

Mr. Dorsett indicated he met with Police Chief Blackburn regarding legislative funding for a communications vehicle. However, the issue was presented too late during the session. He encouraged the City to pursue funding next year.

COUNCIL DELEGATE REPORT

Mayor Kelley reported he and Councilmembers Roscoe and Johnson are traveling to Washington, D.C. to pursue funding for the Port of Tacoma overpass.

PUBLIC HEARING

20th Street East Rezone

Mayor Kelley recused himself from participating in the hearing because of his personal history associated with the property.

City Attorney Forbes reported Mayor Kelley's absence from the public hearing is a personal decision and is not required.

City Manager Worthington reported the proposal is to rezone certain parcels along the south side of 20th Street East, between 70th Avenue and Freeman Road. The proposal was initiated by the Planning Commission, through the City Council in 2006 as a Comprehensive Plan Amendment (CPA 06-09) to develop goals, policies, and alternate land uses in the 20th Street East corridor area. The purpose of the proposed rezoning is for zoning in the 20th Street East area to be consistent with the Fife Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map and to help implement the City's adopted Economic Development Plan. Rezoning can also assist in revitalizing the area for development that is compatible with future uses of the City's 54-acre Gathering Place property. The area proposed for rezoning involves five separate parcels totaling approximately 14.6 acres.

Mayor Pro Tem Edwards opened the public hearing at 7:42 p.m.

Public Testimony

Jerry Gusteson, Milton, asked about current development proposals for the properties. City Attorney Forbes indicated there are no specific development requests for the properties at this time.

Mayor Pro Tem Edwards closed the public hearing at 7:43 p.m.

Mayor Kelley returned to the meeting.

**ORDINANCES AND
RESOLUTIONS**

ORDINANCES

#1628-07; 20th Street Rezone

Interim Director Marcotte read the title of Ordinance #1628-07:

An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Fife, Pierce County, Washington, amending the City's zoning map to change the zoning classification of certain property from industrial to regional commercial.

Motion

Councilmember Johnson moved, seconded by Councilmember de Booy, to adopt Ordinance #1628-07; 20th Street Rezone.

Councilmember Godwin expressed concern about the property owner not initiating the rezone request and not in attendance to comment on the proposal.

Director Blount reported he met with the property owner, who expressed interest in the rezone for supporting commercial development. Appropriate notification was issued by the City regarding the proposed action.

Councilmember de Booy commented that the property owner's absence most likely means the owner has no problems with the proposal.

Councilmember Johnson added that the issue has been discussed many times and has been publicized as the direction the City is taking.

Councilmember Cerqui said the public hearing memorandum should be clarified to indicate the area from 70th Avenue to Freeman Road. City Manager Worthington acknowledged the request.

Motion

Motion carried unanimously.

#1629-07; Automated Traffic Red Light Enforcement Camera

Interim Director Marcotte read the title of Ordinance #1629-07:

An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Fife, Pierce County, Washington, authorizing the use of automated traffic safety cameras, establishing procedures for adjudicating the infractions, allowing for electronic signatures, establishing penalties, and adopting a new section, 10.60 "Automated Traffic Enforcement" of the Fife Municipal Code.

Motion

Councilmember Roscoe moved, seconded by Councilmember Johnson, to adopt Ordinance #1629-07; Automated Traffic Red Light Enforcement.

Councilmember Johnson inquired about providing appropriate signage. City Manager Worthington indicated more details will be provided throughout the process.

Police Chief Blackburn indicated the Council's adoption will authorize the next steps in the process, to include a vendor surveying intersections throughout the City.

Mayor Kelley said he favors the ordinance as long as adequate signage is provided.

Councilmember Cerqui asked about the determination of camera locations. City Manager Worthington indicated the vendor will identify locations of concern and staff will prioritize intersections and lanes.

Councilmember Cerqui expressed concern about drivers becoming caught in the intersection after the light turns red because of high traffic volume.

Councilmember de Booy said she does not support the proposal because it will create additional police responsibilities.

Councilmember Roscoe indicated the proposal is warranted because it will increase safety and identify specific types of violators.

Motion

Motion carried. Councilmembers de Booy and Cerqui opposed.

ADOPT ORDINANCES

#1627-07; Cash Carry Over

Interim Director Marcotte read the title of Ordinance #1627-07:

An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Fife, Pierce County,

Washington, amending the budget for the calendar year 2007 as adopted by Ordinance No. 1612-06 to appropriate the actual cash carried over into each fund from the previous fiscal year.

Motion

Councilmember Edwards moved, seconded by Councilmember de Booy, to adopt Ordinance #1627-07; Cash Carry Over. Motion carried.

**#1625-07; Amending Ordinance
1612-06 2007 Final Budget**

Interim Director Marcotte read the title of Ordinance #1625-07:

An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Fife, Pierce County, Washington, amending the budget for the calendar year 2007 as adopted.

Motion

Councilmember Edwards moved, seconded by Councilmember Roscoe, to adopt Ordinance #1625-07; Amending Ordinance #1612-06 2007 Final Budget. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

**#1113-07; Letter of
Understanding Regarding Port of
Tacoma Ramp**

Director Blount reported the resolution includes language to authorize execution of the Letter of Understanding and Project Agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation for improvements to the ramp from Port of Tacoma to southbound I-5. Staff recommends adoption of Resolution #1113-07.

Interim Director Marcotte read the title of Resolution #1113-07:

A resolution of the City Council of the City of Fife, Pierce County, Washington authorizing a letter of understanding and local agency participating agreement for construction of improvements to the southbound on-ramp at the interchange of Port of Tacoma Road with Interstate 5.

Motion

Councilmember Edwards moved, seconded by Councilmember Roscoe, to adopt Resolution #1113-07; Letter of Understanding Regarding Port of Tacoma Ramp.

Councilmember Godwin asked about the impact of exceeding the 25% contingency. Director Blount indicated the project would be halted and reevaluated. However, that situation is not likely.

City Attorney Forbes indicated she is refining the language for ensuring agreeable terms to the City.

Motion

Motion carried unanimously.

#1114-07; Interlocal Agreement with Pierce County – Bridge Inspections

Director Blount reported the agreement is housekeeping in nature and updates the current agreement. The City of Fife owns several bridges, which require routine inspection and maintenance. Bridge inspection requires special qualifications, which Fife does not have. Pierce County staff is willing to continue to provide bridge inspection services to the City of Fife.

Interim Director Marcotte read the title of Resolution #1114-07:

A resolution of the City Council of the City of Fife, Pierce County, Washington authorizing an interlocal agreement with Pierce County regarding inspection of City-owned bridges.

Motion

Councilmember Edwards moved, seconded by Council member Roscoe, to adopt Resolution #1114-07; Interlocal Agreement with Pierce County – Bridge Inspections.

Councilmember Roscoe asked for clarification regarding Section 2 in terms of legal inspection requirements. City Attorney Forbes indicated Pierce County is required to inspect City bridges every two years.

Motion

Motion carried unanimously.

#1115-07; Set Public Hearing for 58th Avenue Vacation

Director Blount reported staff recommends the Council adopt the resolution and schedule a public hearing on June 12, 2007.

Interim Director Marcotte read the title of resolution #1115-07:

A resolution of the City Council of the City of Fife, Pierce County, Washington fixing the time and place for hearing to vacate a portion of 58th Avenue East between tax parcels 0420076005 and 0420063094, 0420072035, 0420072074, and 0420072069.

Motion

Councilmember Edwards moved, seconded by Councilmember Roscoe, to adopt Resolution #1115-07; Set Public Hearing for 58th Avenue Vacation. Motion carried.

#1116-07; Contract to Replace Roof Sheeting on the Fife Swim Center

Director Reuter reported the Council authorized award of a contract in the amount of \$52,632.00 with Wright Roofing for replacement of the Swim Center roof. While performing work under the contract, a substantial amount of damaged roof sheeting was discovered. Staff inspected the damaged roof sheeting and agrees with the contractor that immediate repairs are necessary to avoid further damage to the structure and protect work being done as part

of the pool remodeling project. Staff requests designating the work as an emergency repair.

Director Reuter reviewed photos of the damage provided by Wright Roofing.

The 2007 budget for the project is \$80,000.00. The original contract award of \$52,632 leaves a balance of \$27,368. The amount is sufficient to cover the cost of additional repairs. The estimate for additional repairs is approximately \$19,800.00 to repair 7,000 square feet of substantial damage to the north side of the structure. Staff will ensure the approved project budget is not exceeded.

Interim Director Marcotte read the title of Resolution #1116-07:

A resolution of the City Council of the City of Fife, Pierce County, Washington authorizing the emergency repair of the Fife Swim Center roof through execution of a contract amendment with Wright Roofing Inc., for repair of the Fife Swim Center roof.

Motion

Councilmember Edwards moved, seconded by Councilmember de Booy, to adopt Resolution #1116-07; Contract to Replace Roof Sheeting on the Fife Swim Center.

City Manager Worthington commented that due to the emergency nature of the situation, staff authorized the contract to move forward and is seeking Council action to validate the decision.

Councilmember Roscoe asked about the cause of the damage. Director Reuter indicated repairs to the north side of the structure in 1996 were not installed properly, which caused damage from exterior moisture.

Councilmember Godwin asked whether the 1996 repair work included a warranty. Director Reuter indicated the company that installed the material is no longer in business.

Mayor Kelley asked if the City acquired a second opinion regarding the issue. Director Reuter replied that staff inspected the damage and recommended an emergency repair.

Motion

Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Appointment of Planning

Councilmember Johnson reported on the recommendation to appoint

Commissioner

Shannon Thornhill to the Planning Commission.

Motion

Councilmember Edwards moved, seconded by Councilmember Cerqui, to appoint Shannon Thornhill to the City of Fife Planning Commission.

Councilmember Cerqui reported the Council committee interviewed four well-qualified candidates for the position.

Motion

Motion carried unanimously.

**Floodway Protection &
Development in Floodplain Area**

Director Blount reported the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is slowly moving to adopt the Puyallup River floodplain and floodway map as recommended by FEMA Region X. The City of Fife is increasingly becoming more familiar with the ability of developers to move forward with significant projects in compliance with floodplain regulations. Local jurisdictions are taking the first steps in developing a long-range strategy to recertify the levees.

FEMA issued a draft floodplain map in August 2004 and the City of Fife accepted the map as best available science since October 2004. FEMA issued a draft floodway map in October 2005 and the City of Fife accepted that map as best available science.

Development continues in Fife in accordance with the criteria established by FEMA, building codes, and the Fife Municipal Code. All new occupied spaces have floor elevations at least one foot above the "base flood elevation" calculated by FEMA. The floodway is protected, reinforcement of the levee is continuing, and compensatory storage is being provided for all development in the City of Fife's jurisdiction. Development costs are substantially higher and a permanent solution is still required.

Director Blount reviewed a map of the area and the August 29, 2006 presentation included in the agenda packet, reflecting different ways to develop in the areas.

Councilmember Johnson asked about trees planted on development sites in the area. Director Blount explained that trees provide the site with a softer appearance. Species that can withstand site conditions are plants.

Councilmember Godwin expressed concerns about building in flood areas. City Manager Worthington reviewed the county's decision for not building in flood zones compared to the City's decision.

Councilmember Johnson said he appreciates Councilmember Godwin's concern. However, the policy evolved as the issue arose and the map developed. Another concern is how map elevations and neighboring properties will be impacted when fill dirt is added.

Councilmember Cerqui suggested a future policy decision should involve a compromise to avoid impacts to other properties.

Councilmember de Booy asked about the timing for finalizing the FEMA draft map. City Manager Worthington indicated the map could be adopted in fall 2008.

Public Meeting Park Plan

Director Reuter reported the City of Fife will host a public meeting on Wednesday, May 23, 2007, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., to solicit input from citizens. The input will be used to prepare the Park, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan. A public interest survey will be sent in the next utility bill. Information will be posted on the City's website.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Worthington reported the Sumner Mayor was elected as the representative for Pierce County Transit.

The new Fife Parks and Recreation shuttle van should be available for touring at the next meeting. The vans are used for senior and youth activities whenever possible.

The City is in the final stages in achieving its first community service work program for low-level offenders.

A 1944 locomotive will be at the Fife rail yard from May 13 to May 21 for public display.

Fife Railroad Days is scheduled on May 20, 2007 from 8:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Details of the reception will be forwarded to Councilmembers.

The City recently sent a letter to the Chairman of the Puyallup Tribe, which is another example of cooperation between the Tribe and City. The request could potentially assist with funding for maintenance and capital road construction costs.

Recent activity on Levee Road was the result of a reserved officer training exercise. The reserve officer candidates will soon be reserve police officers. The reserve graduation ceremony will be held at Tacoma Community College on May 12, 2007 at 2:00 p.m.

City Manager Worthington asked Councilmembers to provide their nominations for the Fife Community Public Service Excellence Award by May 9, 2007.

**COUNCILMEMBER
COMMENTS**

Mayor Kelley reported the Council will hold a short executive session following the meeting.

Councilmember Godwin encouraged the public to participate in the Park survey, as it will have important impacts on the future.

Councilmember Cerqui thanked Mayor Kelley for the Moment of Silence on behalf of Brenda Puaokalani. He thanked the City and community for the positive support shown throughout her illness.

Councilmember de Booy requested installation of signage on Levee Road as soon as possible. She commented that a close family friend recently went over the edge of the road on his motorcycle because he was unable to see the edge of the roadway at night. The fog line is covered by vegetation.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Bill Kellis, a partner for the new apartment complex on 62nd Avenue, reported mitigation fees were paid assuming a traffic signal would be installed at the intersection of 62nd Avenue and 20th Avenue. He encouraged the Council to consider a solution to the traffic issue. Director Blount indicated he received verbal assurance from a developer that the south end of 62nd will open by the end of June 2007. The City is pursuing development along 20th Avenue.

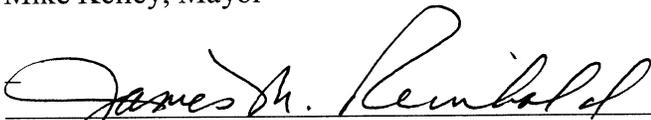
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Kelley recessed the meeting into an executive session at 9:25 p.m., for approximately 15 minutes for the purpose of potential litigation. No action is anticipated.

RECONVENE/ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kelley reconvened and adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

Mike Kelley, Mayor



Jim Reinbold, Assistant City Manager

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