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# ORIGINAL

# MARYSVILLE CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

November 20, 2006

7:00 p.m.

City Hall

#### CALL TO ORDER / INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Nehring called the November 20, 2006 work session of the Marysville City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. There was no invocation. Mayor Pro Tem Nehring led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ROLL CALL**

Chief Administrative Officer Mary Swenson gave the roll call. The following staff and councilmembers were in attendance.

Council: Mayor Pro Tem Jon Nehring, Lee Phillips, Carmen Rasmussen, Jeff

Seibert, John Soriano, Jeff Vaughan, and Donna Wright,

**Staff:** Mary Swenson, Chief Administrative Officer; Grant Weed, City Attorney;

Sandy Langdon, Finance Director; Paul Roberts, Public Works Director;

Gloria Hirashima, Community Development Director; John Turner,

Interim Chief of Police; Jim Ballew, Parks and Recreation Director; Chris

Holland, Senior Planner; and Laurie Hugdahl, Recording Secretary.

Mary Swenson noted that Mayor Kendall was on vacation enjoying the sunshine.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Councilmember Vaughan reported on the **Graffiti Task Force** meeting last Thursday. There were some new members from the School District who proved to be very beneficial to the group. There was some excellent discussion about why some kids are getting into gangs and what can be done to help prevent this. The School District reported having spent \$5,000 on graffiti abatement on school property already this year. The School District has a graffiti cleanup trailer and a policy that gang related graffiti must be removed before kids arrive to school the next day. Chief Turner added that he was very pleased about a letter he received from the superintendent regarding some issues he is following up on.

PRESENTATIONS - None.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:** 

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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- 1. Approval of November 13, 2006 City Council Meeting Minutes.
- 2. Approval of November 20, 2006 City Council Work Session Minutes.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 3. Approval of November 15, 2006 Claims.
- 4. Approval of November 22, 2006 Claims.
- 5. Approval of November 20, 2006 Payroll.
- 6. Approval of 116th Street Gateway Shopping Center Easement Relinquishments.

Chris Holland reviewed this item. Councilmember Rasmussen asked about language stating that after they relinquish the easement they can't erect any buildings, structures, patios etc. City Attorney Grant Weed explained that they can use the property fully. The language she was referring to was reciting the text that will be condemned.

Councilmember Seibert asked if the existing 2003 easement would be relinquished. Chris Holland thought that this had already been relinquished. Grant Weed concurred.

7. Accept the Comeford Park Restroom Renovation Project as Complete.

Parks and Recreation Director Jim Ballew stated that this project has been accepted and closed.

8. Accept the Lakewood Sewer Extension Project as Complete and Begin 45-Day Lien Filing Period.

Public Works Director Paul Roberts stated that this is the contract close out and acceptance of the 45-day working period. Councilmember Seibert asked why the final amount ended up being less than the budgeted amount. Mr. Roberts wasn't certain, but indicated he would bring that information back to Council.

9. Authorize Mayor to Sign Easement for Right-of-Way with Snohomish County (51st Street Lift Station).

Mr. Roberts explained that this project would take out the dip in the road and also expand the roadway. This particular item provides the easement for that project.

#### **REVIEW BIDS**

10. Replace Meter Reading Electronic Handheld Collection Devices.

Paul Roberts said staff is recommending removing this item from the agenda. The bid came in under \$5,000 so it does not need to come to Council.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

# 11. 2007 Proposed Budget.

Mary Swenson informed Council that they would not be asking for the 1% property tax increase because they are not able to take it since the fire district levy passed.

Sandy Langdon reviewed a PowerPoint presentation on the Property Tax Levy as contained in Council's packet.

# **CURRENT BUSINESS - None.**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## 12. Mortensen Annexation.

Chris Holland explained that staff is recommending waiving the annexation requirement for this property.

LEGAL - None.

## **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

13. A Resolution of the City of Marysville Proclaiming and Implementing the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the Standard Format for All Incidents Occurring in the City of Marysville in Compliance with Homeland Security Directive (HSPD)-5.

Grant Weed discussed a letter from Mr. Shankle regarding concerns about language and infringement on people's rights. After meeting with the police and fire department, staff has determined that this is a generic-type document that is used regularly with other jurisdictions and sees no problem with it. They have, however, added some language to affirm consistency with the State of Washington constitution and the federal constitution. Mr. Weed stated that by adopting these policies, they are giving the City a standard protocol for response.

Chief Turner discussed his primary responsibility to the Mayor and to the constitution of the State of Washington, but added that this ensures that they are consistent with federal guidelines and are eligible for federal funds.

Mr. Weed commented on Mr. Shankle's concern regarding references to domestic incident management regardless of size or cause. He noted that the police department is not relinquishing any of its authority in handling domestic incidents.

Councilmember Soriano asked if the fire chief has reviewed this. Mr. Weed replied that he has and that they have already adopted these policies.

15. A Resolution of the City of Marysville Declaring Certain Items of Personal Property to be Surplus and Authorizing the Sale or Disposal Thereof.

Paul Roberts explained the need to declare this surplus in order to dispose of it.

MAYOR'S BUSINESS - None.

#### STAFF BUSINESS

# Jim Ballew:

- Wished everyone Happy Holidays. He noted that Merrysville for the Holidays will be held the week following Thanksgiving. 23 floats are already signed up.
- There will be a Healthy Communities Meeting on December 7.
- There was a tour of Kiwanis Park on Saturday.
- The Turkey Chase Fun Run had 43 children participating and was a lot of fun.

#### Paul Roberts:

- Commented that it appears in the rating system that the TIB shows \$2,000,000 for Ingraham Blvd. and \$200,000 for sidewalks for the 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue area.
- The Regional Transportation Draft Report is out. There will be a hearing tomorrow night in Tacoma and next week in Everett. He will be putting together some comments for the City.
- He commented that Councilmember Vaughan did an outstanding job speaking about transportation issues at the meeting today.

Grant Weed noted the need for an Executive Session for approximately 15 minutes to discuss one Real Property Acquisition item, one Pending Litigation item, and one Personnel item with action.

# Mary Swenson:

- Referred to the Salary Commission minutes and pointed out that at the 6/6 meeting the Salary Commission took action to make the increase effective 6/1. When they took action on this there was a lot of discussion about whether or not there was sufficient money in the budget for this. They were assured by staff that there was. She noted that when staff does the amending ordinances at the end of the year they will mention the Salary Commission's actions just for extra clarification.
- She was pleased that Larry Nyland was announced to be Superintendent of the Year. Staff will be drafting a letter of congratulations to him.
- She commended Jeff Vaughan for his excellent job today speaking about traffic issues.
- She commended Jeff Massey for his important work on the TIB.
- She commented that Tony Newman's family is in need of thoughts and prayers for his son who was in a serious accident.
- She will be gone next week and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Sandy Langdon asked to add an agenda item for next week regarding long distance services. This will result in reduced costs for the City. There was consensus to add the item under New Business next week.

# **CALL ON COUNCILMEMBERS**

# Lee Phillips:

- Said it was great seeing Dr. Nyland awarded the Superintendent of the Year award.
- He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

## Carmen Rasmussen:

- Reiterated that Jeff Vaughan did a great job representing the City today at the meeting. She expressed appreciation that they are being proactive in this.
- The Kiwanis Park tour was excellent. The Parks Board is considering this site for an off-leash park.
- The Kiwanis Open House was last weekend celebrating 50 years of community service.

# Jon Nehring:

- Was pleased with the article in the Herald. He thanked Jeff Vaughan for his
  excellent representation and speaking on behalf of the City and also thanked
  Carmen Rasmussen for attending the meeting.
- He asked about the Public Safety meeting. Chief Turner indicated that the next Public Safety meeting would be on November 27.

Jeff Seibert thanked Sandy for the informative presentation.

Marysville City Council November 20, 2006 Meeting Minutes Page 5 of 6 John Soriano thanked the Chamber also for coordinating the information today.

Donna Wright indicated that the Snohomish Health District had found a new director.

## INFORMATION ITEMS

16. Marysville Library Board Minutes; October 12, 2006.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Nehring recessed the meeting at 8:10 p.m. into Executive Session

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Council met in Executive Session at 8:20 p.m. to discuss one personnel, one real estate, and one litigation item.

Council reconvened into Regular Session at 8:38 p.m.

Motion by Councilmember Seibert, second by Councilmember Vaughan to authorize the Mayor to sign the Settlement Proposal as discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

#### ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further business, Mayor Pro Tem Nehring adjourned the work session at 8:40 p.m.

Approved this 27th day of November

Mayor

**Deputy City Clerk** 

Dennis Kendall Lillie Lein Recording Secretary

Laurie Hugdahl