

MARYSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 12, 2007

7:00 p.m.

City Hall

CALL TO ORDER / INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Nehring called the March 12, 2007 meeting of the Marysville City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. The invocation was given by Pastor Bill Walles of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church. 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, and Jeff Vaughan

Staff: Mary Swenson, Chief Administrative Officer; Grant Weed, City Attorney; Gloria Hirashima, Community Development Director; Richard Smith, Chief of Police; Jim Ballew, Parks and Recreation Director; and Laurie Hugdahl, Recording Secretary.

It was noted that Mayor Kendall and Councilmember Donna Wright were in Washington, DC for the National League of Cities.

Motion made by Councilmember Vaughan, seconded by Councilmember Phillips, to excuse the absence of Councilmember Wright. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

PRESENTATIONS

None.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of February 26, 2007 City Council Meeting Minutes.

Councilmember Rasmussen noted the following spelling correction on page 1 of 8. under Committee Reports: *Concert series will be funded by Suntex **Centex** Homes.*

Councilmember Seibert referred to page 2 of 8, under his comments. 7th bullet should be: *Improving diversion **of recycling.***

The last bulleted sentence should read: *Southwest Solid Waste Transfer Station construction **on enclosing the facility** to begin soon.*

Councilmember Phillips referred to the top of page 3 under item 1. Change **PEG** to **EG**.

Motion made to approve the February 26 City Council Meeting minutes as corrected. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

2. Approval of March 5, 2007 City Council Work Session Minutes.

Councilmember Phillips referred to page 4 of 6, 2nd paragraph, 1st sentence should be replaced with: *Councilmember Phillips stated that he is not comfortable with the language of the section addressing the effective date of changes because ~~it seems to assume a pay raise each year.~~ **the Council would have to assume a pay raise each year and budget accordingly.***

He then noted that in the third paragraph, the last sentence should be replaced with the following: *Councilmember Phillips said he would be in favor **of a COLA** for the mayor **if the Salary Commission wanted to do something along those lines for the mayor., but not for the Council.** **He believed that this could be done for a stated period of time to avoid the problem of the raise being a year behind. He then stated that while he would support this for the mayor, he personally would not be in favor of a COLA for the councilmembers.***

Motion made by Councilmember Soriano, seconded by Councilmember Vaughan, to approve the minutes as amended. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Vaughan requested the removal of Consent Agenda Item 3.

Motion made by Councilmember Soriano, seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen to approve the following Consent Agenda Items # 4-6, 8-10, and 12:

4. **Approval of March 5, 2007 Payroll in the Amount of \$986,670.72; Paid by Check No. 17542 through 17613.**
5. **Approval of March 7, 2007 Claims in the Amount of \$1,319,062.78; Paid by Check No. 37481 through 37623 with Check No. 37193 Void.**
6. **Approval of New Liquor Licenses: Smokes to Go, 1309 State Avenue; Mae Phim Marysville Thai Restaurant, 1212 #E State Avenue; and 7-Eleven, 1114 State Avenue.**
8. **Approval of Renewal of Liquor Licenses: Big K-Mark #7253, 9623 State Avenue; Harvest Harden, 1508 -2nd Street; 7-Eleven #2306-18861E, 1114 State Avenue; Acapulco Mexican Restaurant, 9611 State Avenue, Suite A; and First Stop Food Mart, 70 State Avenue, Suite B.**
9. **Authorize Mayor to Sign Interlocal Governmental Agreement Between the City of Everett and Snohomish County and Cities Located within Snohomish, King, and Skagit Counties for In-Service Training.**
10. **Approval of the Purchase and Installation of Dump Body for New Dump Truck Cab & Chassis.**
12. **Authorize Mayor to Sign Fiber Optic Lease Agreement with Black Rock Cable, Inc. for Data Connection to County's Network and to Washington State's Inter-Governmental Network.**

Motion passed unanimously (6-0).

3. **Approval of February 28, 2007 Claims in the Amount of \$429,417.03; Paid by Check No. 37317 through 37480.**

Councilmember Vaughan referred to the purchase of sunglasses from Sound Harley Davidson and asked about the policy for providing personal protective equipment. Chief Administrative Officer Swenson explained that this is determined by the contract language for the particular group. She indicated that she would check on this specific item.

Motion made by Councilmember Vaughan, seconded by Councilmember Soriano to approve Consent Agenda Item 3. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

It was noted that item 7 from the Work Session Agenda had not made it onto the Council Meeting Agenda. After discussion with the city attorney, the council was advised that they could take action on this if they desired.

Motion made by Councilmember Phillips, seconded by Councilmember Seibert, to approve Consent Agenda Item 7: Approval of Renewal of Liquor Licenses: Albertson's No. 412, 11401 State Ave.; Albertson's No. 471, 301 Marysville Mall; Fanny's Restaurant, 505 Cedar Ave. #A1; State Street Food Mart, 1034 State Ave.; 88th Street Shell Food-Mart & Car Wash, 3506 88th Street NE; and Vi and Glynn's Pub, 10321 State Ave. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

REVIEW BIDS

None.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

CURRENT BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

11. Professional Services Agreement with Pertect Engineering, Inc. to Update Traffic Impact Study.

Since Public Works Director Roberts was out ill, this item was rescheduled for action at the next work session.

LEGAL

None.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

15. An Ordinance of the City of Marysville, Washington Amending Marysville Municipal Code Subsections 2.51.040(1) and (2) Relating to the Duties of the Salary Commission.

Councilmember Phillips reiterated that he does not feel comfortable with the fact that there would have to be money sitting in the budget for Council to be able to allow this to take effect immediately. He would rather see them meet and plan for down the road.

Councilmember Seibert asked if the Salary Commission would have the flexibility of postponing a pay increase for a year if they felt there was not enough money in the

The Everett Explosion came to town over the weekend. There was a misunderstanding about kids wearing their jerseys to the game and they were denied entrance if they were wearing their shirt. As compensation, the team has offered the Parks and Recreation Department 250 tickets to their first real game.

Gloria Hirashima gave updates on the following:

- Smokey Point Plan for the newly annexed area is underway. They have met with the major property owners and will be hosting a general open house once a preliminary draft is prepared. Staff has also scheduled meetings with some of the state and regional agencies to discuss environmental regulations for that area.
- Whiskey Ridge Plan is continuing. Staff is currently updating the traffic impact fee information as directed by Council. There have also been ongoing discussions about road alignments in that area with interested parties.
- 88th Street Master Plan – Draft Plan should be available in approximately three months.

Grant discussed a bill he is watching which relates to clarifying the authority for cities to contract for court services. He welcomed Chief Smith.

Mary Swenson:

- She reported that she, the Mayor and the directors attended a retreat last week. Highlights of topics discussed included the salary survey information, financial projects that are coming forward and funding options for those.
- She discussed how her family has been enjoying trying out the new restaurants in town. Last weekend they went to Bob's Burger and Brew. She was pleased to report that it was very crowded with lots of youth there.
- She had two items for Executive Session – one real estate item and one pending litigation item with no action needed. Expected length of Executive Session was ten minutes.
- She pointed out the cover photo and positive article about Mayor Kendall on the cover of the *Snohomish County Business Journal*.

Chief Smith commented on the excellent collaboration among staff during the retreat. He thanked everyone for their endorsement and for making him feel welcome so quickly. He is looking forward to the future with his department and with the City.

CALL ON COUNCILMEMBERS

Carmen Rasmussen:

- She discussed plans initiated by a middle school student who has a vision for creating a Cinco de Mayo/Hispanic cultural community event. The idea was discussed at a recent meeting at the middle school and several groups have stepped forward to make this a reality. Councilmember Rasmussen asked if

Council would be interested in partnering with them in this event. Councilmember Seibert suggested putting this on an agenda in order to get input from staff. Parks and Recreation Director Ballew said that they have already been working with Mr. Strickland on music and have offered the use of the PA system.

Councilmember Vaughan said he would support efforts to reach out to diverse communities within the city.

Councilmember Phillips said he would like to see this come to the Council on the agenda, possibly in the form of a resolution. He expressed support for the idea.

Councilmember Soriano concurred.

- Councilmember Rasmussen asked about the Lakewood Open House on the schedule for tomorrow night. Jim Ballew said it was the open house for the school district.
- She spoke with Mrs. Short, a citizen, who was very concerned about the Whiskey Ridge road plans' impact on her property. She was concerned about whether or not the fire station would be completed prior to development and wondered whether or not the fire department has been involved with the plans for the intersection at 67th and 44th. Gloria Hirashima said she had met with Mr. and Mrs. Short and felt that some of their concerns had been addressed. She added that the fire district has very been involved and is aware of the improvements. She noted that they are aware that the improvements will be several years down the road and they do not have an issue with safety of that intersection.

Lee Phillips commended the high quality of service and professionalism of off-duty Marysville police officers Sparr and Elton who were utilized at the Fred Meyer in Everett to address issues with youth. He noted that the management at Fred Meyer had been very impressed.

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Councilmember Soriano asked where the Lakewood Open House would be. Director Ballew said it would be held at the middle school.

Jeff Seibert:

- Asked Gloria Hirashima about the development occurring at 80th and Cedar. He referred to the ordinance that does not allow anyone to cut up a street for five years after paving and asked about enforcement of that. Director Hirashima indicated she would look into it.
- Councilmember Seibert commented that traffic at Red Robin and Costco was great when he was there over the weekend.
- He commented on the traffic from State Street to the Freeway on 88th and suggested at the very least a right-turn lane there to ease some of the congestion.

- He requested a list of places where rolled curbs have been used. Ms. Hirashima indicated that that had been emailed out. She will make sure it gets mailed to Councilmember Seibert.

Jeff Vaughan:

- He addressed concerns about development occurring in the Pinewood Elementary area, especially bulldozers and heavy equipment in the area and also terrible parking problems. Ms. Swenson noted that she had met recently with John Bingham from the school district and had discussed this with him. Staff will be keeping an eye on some unique circumstances there.
- Councilmember Vaughan also wondered how development there might impact the 51st Street connection.
- He wondered why some of the "buttons" are coming off the streets. Councilmember Seibert thought that it was probably from the snow plows.

INFORMATION ITEMS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Nehring recessed to Executive Session at 8:02 p.m., with Executive Session scheduled to begin at 8:10 p.m. and last for ten minutes.

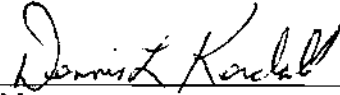
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council met in Executive Session at 8:10 p.m. to discuss potential and pending litigation and real estate.

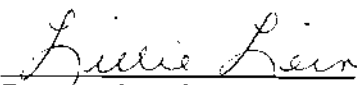
ADJOURNMENT

Council reconvened into Regular Session taking no further action, and Mayor Pro Tem Nehring adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

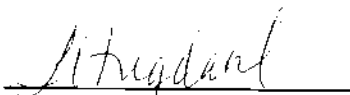
Approved this 26th day of March, 2007.



 Mayor
 Dennis Kendall



 Deputy City Clerk
 Lillie Lein



 Recording Secretary
 Laurie Hugdahl