# MARYSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 9, 2007

7:00 p.m.

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# CALL TO ORDER / INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Dennis Kendall called the April 9, 2007 meeting of the Marysville City Council to order at 7:03 p.m. There was no invocation. Mayor Kendall 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.

Mayor:

Dennis Kendall

Council:

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

Seibert, Jeff Vaughan, and Donna Wright

Staff:

Mary Swenson, Chief Administrative Officer; Grant Weed, City Attorney; Sandy Langdon, Finance Director; Kevin Nielsen, City Engineer; Gloria Hirashima, Community Development Director; Rick Smith, Chief of Police; Jim Ballew, Parks and Recreation Director; Kristie Guy, Human Resources Manager; Judge Fred Gillings; Suzanne Elsner, Court

Administrator; and Laurie Hugdahl, Recording Secretary.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Phillips, seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen, to excuse the absence of Councilmember Soriano who was attending to family business. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None.

PRESENTATIONS

None.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION** 

None.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

# 1. Approval of March 26, 2007 City Council Meeting Minutes.

Councilmember Rasmussen referred to the second paragraph of page 7 of 11. The second sentence should be amended to read: "Councilmember Rasmussen replied that, in the future, when there is that opportunity, it would be unfair for cable customers to pay if they are not **the only ones** receiving a benefit for this."

Councilmember Phillips had the following amendments:

- Page 5: 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph from the bottom, last sentence should read: "Mayor Kendall added that he wasn't sure if the school district had approved with which building . . . "
- Page 5, 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph from the bottom, should read: "Councilmember Philips commented that he feels that the \$.75 would be fair justified with the information at hand, but he does not want to have the breakdown for the I-Net or the cable channel designated."
- Page 7, first sentence should read: "Motion made by Councilmember Phillips, seconded by Councilmember Wright, to retain \$.75 to be used as recommended by staff, per the current franchise agreement."
- Page 9, Call on Councilmembers, second paragraph from the bottom, last sentence should read: "He stated that he appreciated . . . .funding of the I-Net."

Mayor Pro Tem Nehring noted that the Motion noted in the 4<sup>th</sup> paragraph of page 8 should read: "Motion passed unanimously 5-2 with Councilmembers Seibert and Nehring voting against."

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

# 2. Approval of April 2, 2007 City Council Work Session Minutes.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Nehring, seconded by Councilmember Wright, to approve the minutes as presented. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

#### CONSENT AGENDA

Finance Director Sandy Langdon responded to Councilmember Vaughan's question regarding Matrix Business Technologies on item 4. He thanked her for the information.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Vaughan, seconded by Councilmember Phillips, to approve the following consent agenda items 3, 4, and 5:

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- 3. Approval of March 21, 2007 Claims in the Amount of \$719,708.84; Paid by Check No. 37796 through 37969 with Check No. 34908 and 37588 Void.
- 4. Approval of March 28, 2007 Claims in the Amount of \$511,032.24; Paid by Check No. 37970 through 38132 with Check No. 37933 and 37895 Void.
- 5. Approval of New Liquor License for Winco Foods #8 Located at 3947 116th Street N.E.

Motion passed unanimously (6-0).

#### **REVIEW BIDS**

6. Jennings Park Irrigation Project.

Councilmember Rasmussen asked about the scope of this project. Director Ballew replied that it would provide for irrigation of the entire park.

Councilmember Phillips asked if this came in under budget. Director Ballew confirmed that it did.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Rasmussen, seconded by Councilmember Wright, to authorize the Mayor to award the bid for the Jennings Memorial Park Irrigation Project for System Design and Installation of an automated irrigation system to Burke–Darrow of Bothell, Washington in the amount of \$64,420 plus Washington State Sales Tax and approve the management reserve fund of \$7,904 for a total allocation of \$77,799.70. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

None.

**CURRENT BUSINESS** 

None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

7. Professional Services Agreement with Roth Hill Engineering Partners, LLC for Design Services on the 136th Street Trunk Sewer Project.

Marysville City Council April 9, 2007 Meeting Minutes Page 3 of 8 **Motion** made by Councilmember Wright, seconded by Councilmember Nehring, to authorize the Mayor to sign Professional Services Agreement in the amount of \$271,200.00 with Roth Hill Engineering Partners, LLC. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

# 8. Management and Non-Represented Position Classification and Salary Schedule.

Chief Administrative Officer Swenson commented that there was one classification that had been inadvertently left off the Non-Represented grid last week. This was the Electrical Inspector which should have been shown as an N-8 position. Also, she clarified that the Resolution delegates the authority to the Mayor and herself to place employees in the appropriate place in the grid.

Councilmember Phillips asked when the budget ordinance amendment would come forward. Ms. Swenson explained that the ordinance at hand would allow for an amendment to the budget. The dollar amount would be brought back when the details are known.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Wright, seconded by Councilmember Vaughan, to adopt Resolution No. 2203, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE AMENDING THE JOB CLASSIFICATION PLAN AND PAY PLAN FOR MANAGEMENT AND NON-REPRESENTED JOB CLASSIFICATIONS PURSUANT TO MMC 2.50.020 AND 2.50.030." **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

**Motion** made by Councilmember Nehring, seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen, to approve Ordinance No. 2692, "AMENDING THE 2007 BUDGET AND PROVIDING FOR THE INCREASE OF CERTAIN EXPENDITURE ITEMS AS BUDGETED FOR IN 2007 AS SET FORTH IN ORDINANCE NO. 2676 AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2682 AND INCORPORATING THE PAY PLAN FOR MANAGEMENT AND NON-REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES AS SET FORTH IN RESOLUTION NO. 2203." **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

# Staffing Proposal for Municipal Court.

Councilmember Phillips asked about the timeline for implementing these positions and the change in fees to other municipalities. Mary Swenson explained that the fee changes for other jurisdictions would be effective May 1. The Business Office Supervisor position would be implemented immediately. The two Program Specialists would be June 1. The Part-Time Commissioner would be July 1.

Councilmember Nehring asked how much of the cost of these positions would be covered by the increased fees. Ms. Elsner reviewed the anticipated increase in revenue. She noted that a rough estimate would be approximately \$100,000-110.000 per year in fee increases. This would cover a good portion of these

positions. Judge Gillings commented that these numbers are dynamic and he expected that they would possibly grow rapidly over time.

Councilmember Seibert requested a breakdown of costs for the other cities in a few months to confirm that they are paying their fair share.

Councilmember Nehring asked if they felt comfortable that these added positions would allow the court to function more efficiently. Ms. Elsner commented that this would help, but she felt that one additional Program Specialist might be needed within the next two years. Mary Swenson noted that they have been communicating about this. They have decided to address these positions for now and see where to go from there.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Rasmussen, seconded by Councilmember Phillips, to authorize additional staffing positions of a Part-Time Commissioner of up to 25 hours per week at an hourly rate to be designated; a position of one Business Office Supervisor, on the management pay scale; and two Program Specialists, on the Teamster pay grid. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

City Attorney Grant Weed stated that they would need to do contract amendments for court services for Lake Stevens and Arlington. Staff will be bringing that back as a separate action.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Seibert, seconded by Councilmember Nehring, to recommend an increase in fees, based on the information in the Prothman Report and the need for additional facilities, and to direct staff to notify the appropriate jurisdictions of the need to increase fees. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

**LEGAL** 

None.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

None.

#### MAYOR'S BUSINESS

## 9. Park Board Appointment; Keith W. Armstrong.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Rasmussen, seconded by Councilmember Seibert, to affirm the appointment of Keith W. Armstrong to the Marysville Park Board serving the remaining term of Melissa Phillips' term which expires February 28, 2008. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

Mayor Kendall said he had a great time with the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday. He commended staff, kids from the high school ASB program and Councilmember Soriano for their balloon magic, and the nursing home for getting the baskets.

#### STAFF BUSINESS

Jim Ballew stated that they collected 650 lbs of canned food items. There were 2500-3000 people in attendance and 7000 eggs were used. He thanked the Rotarians for their assistance.

He noted that Ben Wilcox, assisted by Christopher Vaughan, completed a wonderful fence at the park as part of his Eagle Scout Project.

The Stillaguamish Task Force will be commemorating Earth Day with a tour on Saturday from 10 to 2. Reservations are required.

He and Doug Buell are traveling to Atlanta next week for the National Livability Summit through NRPA. They are focusing on community strategies to assist in implementing the Healthy Communities project. The Council will get a presentation in May. This will be followed by presentations to the school board and the Chamber. Spring soccer started tonight in the downpour. Several hundred showed up to play in the rain.

Graffiti Prevention Committee will be meeting on Thursday.

He spent Thursday of last week with Marysville-Pilchuck's TV3 filming an anti-graffiti video spot.

The Park Board will have its last meeting at the Baxter Building this week, and then will be meeting at the barn for the rest of the year.

Kevin Nielsen updated Council on several transportation issues:

The 172<sup>nd</sup> right drop lane is at headquarters in Olympia awaiting approval this week. This can be restriped by Powell Development.

The engineering plans for 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of 172<sup>nd</sup> interchange are 30% complete. He referred to the good news on the 529 bridge and thanked the Mayor, Mary Swenson, and the Council for their support.

Grant Weed noted the need for a ten-minute Executive Session to discuss one acquisition of real property and one sale of real property. No action was needed.

Mary Swenson thanked the Council for the action on the salary grids on behalf of the management and non-represented employees.

Chief Smith thanked all for attending his swearing-in ceremony.

#### CALL ON COUNCILMEMBERS

Lee Phillips said he enjoyed the Chief's swearing-in ceremony.

The Easter Egg hunt was a lot of fun. Everyone was pleased that they just missed the rain.

Marysville City Council April 9, 2007 Meeting Minutes Page 6 of 8 He noted that Fred Meyer had been diligent about cleaning up graffiti. He commended their active approach to getting rid of graffiti.

Jeff Seibert clarified that the 136<sup>th</sup> overpass is the one that was tagged. He apologized to the Chief for not making the swearing-in due to work commitments. He asked why they were getting a completely new binder each week now. He suggested underlining or somehow identifying changes so they would know what was different. Sandy Langdon explained that they are still trying to work out the issues with this. She welcomed all comments and suggestions. He referred to a house at 5<sup>th</sup> and 47<sup>th</sup> and a right-of-way issue with their fence. He thought that they possibly did not realize that their property line is not at the sidewalk and asked to have someone look into this. Kevin Nielsen said that they would send a

Councilmember Rasmussen apologized for missing the swearing-in ceremony and the Easter Egg hunt due to family obligations.

She asked about progress on finding out about the ability to line item the scholarshipping for free and reduced fee lunch qualified citizens. Sandy Langdon said they were still working on trying to get information from Lynnwood. She has talked with MRSC and she has some information to go over with the attorney, but she thought that it would need to be done through a non-profit or establishing a fee structure that accommodates that.

Mayor Kendall asked Council to let staff know if they would be attending the AWC conference in Tacoma.

Jon Nehring asked when the first quarter retail numbers would be in. Sandy Langdon responded that these would be available at the end of April. He asked if gas prices have affected the city budget to a significant degree. Mary Swenson said they would be looking into this.

Mayor Kendall thanked Kristie Guy for coming to the meetings and for all her hard work on the management and non-represented pay grids. He also thanked Suzi Elsner and Judge Gillings for their hard work on the court positions.

#### INFORMATION ITEMS

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11. Salary Commission Minutes; March 26, 2007.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kendall recessed at 7:54 into Executive Session, which was scheduled to begin at 8:00 p.m. and to last for ten minutes.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Council met in Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. to discuss two real estate items.

Council reconvened into Regular Session at 8:10 p.m.

Motion by Councilmember Phillips, second by Councilmember Wright to extend the Executive Session an additional ten minutes. Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

Council returned to Executive Session at 8:11 p.m. to continue their discussion of real estate items; reconvened into Regular Session at 8:20 p.m., and seeing no further business, Mayor Kendall adjourned the April 9, 2007 meeting of the Marysville City Council.

Approved this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of Apr.

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