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Public Hearings	
Proposed Utility Rate Cost of Service Adjustment.	Held
Review Bids	
New Business	
An Ordinance of the City of Marysville, Washington, Adopting and	Approved
Revising Stormwater Management Regulations Pursuant to the Western	Ord. No. 2816
Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit Issued to the City by	
the Washington State Department of Ecology and Amending Chapters	
4.02, 14.03, 14.05, 14.09, 14.15, 14.16, 14.17, 14.18, and 19.22, of the	
Marysville Municipal Code.	

An Ordinance of the City of Marysville, Washington Restructuring Water,	Approved
Sewer, and Surface Water Utility Rates, Amending Sections 14.07.010,	Ord. No. 2815
14.07.060, 14.07.070, and 14.19.050 of the Marysville Municipal Code as	
Allowed Under Section 14.07.075.	
A Resolution of the City of Marysville Encouraging the Citizens of	No Action
Marysville to Vote in Support of Marysville School District Propositions No.	
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Call on Councilmembers	
Executive Session	10:12 p.m.
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Real Estate - one matter concerning the sale of real property, one matter	
concerning the lease of real property	
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Conflict of Interest Waiver for the Verizon DSL Claim as discussed in	• •
executive session	
Adjournment	10:26 p.m.

COUNCIL



MINUTES

Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Kendall called the January 25, 2010 meeting of the Marysville City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. at Marysville City Hall. The invocation was given by Pastor Jeff Barnes from the Turning Point Church. Mayor Kendall led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

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

Mayor:

Dennis Kendall

Council:

Councilmember Jon Nehring, Councilmember Carmen Rasmussen,

Councilmember Jeff Seibert, Councilmember John Soriano, Councilmember Jeff Vaughan, Councilmember Lee Phillips

and Councilmember Donna Wright

Also Present:

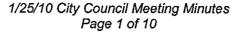
Chief Administrator Mary Swenson, Community Development Director Gloria Hirashima, Finance Director Sandy Langdon, Public Works Director Kevin Nielsen, City Attorney Grant Weed, Parks and Recreation Director Jim Ballew, Police Chief Rick Smith and City

Clerk Tracy Jeffries

Committee Reports

Carmen Rasmussen gave a report of the Marysville Park Advisory Board which met on January 13. The following items were discussed:

- There was an impressive presentation by a prospective Eagle Scout working on a
 project to help create a disc golf course at Strawberry Fields. The Park Board gave him
 the approval to research the possibility of providing a disc golf course for the city.
- The Board also discussed the Qwuloolt trail.
- The Park Board voted to approve a gateway sign at Comeford Park. The sign is being provided through a short plat that is being proposed.
- Jim Ballew gave a presentation about the possibility of looking into a parks foundation as a way of accepting funds that are only available to a 501C3.
- The Parks Department and City will be hosting community meetings in the coming months where one of the topics will be uses and care of the Nature's Window property.
- Graffiti data is being kept to separate incidents in the annexation area. Parks maintenance staff are getting on top of graffiti in that area.
- The Father Daughter Dance is extremely popular.





- Staff has contracts with other cities to provide Movies in the Park for them as well.
 There are enough contracts that is comes close to paying all the expenses for Marysville's Movies in the Park program.
- There was discussion on renaming the park in Whisky Ridge neighborhood to Tim Brenton Park.
- · Possibility of closing the skate park during extremely inclement weather.

Marysville Library Board which met Thursday, January 14 and discussed the following:

- The library continues to be extremely busy. In December there were 26% more visitors in 2009 over 2008.
- The hotel-motel money was used to provide arts brochures that are being placed in hotels.
- The library board held elections for their upcoming positions.
- There was a presentation on methods of researching genealogy using databases that are available at the library.
- The library received a grant called the Hard Times Grant which will allow laptops available for checkout in the library.

Jeff Seibert reported on the January 20 Finance Committee meeting where the following items were discussed:

- The sales tax process.
- Comcast is still in negotiations over the rebate for I-Net.
- Utility billing rates study.
- Information service is working on report writing for the police software upgrade.
- · A new IT position is being discussed.

Jeff Seibert reported on the January 13 Snohomish County Solid Waste Advisory Committee. Some of the items discussed were:

- The Comprehensive Planning Process Project Stewardship, which is the Take-it-back program for e-waste. They did an overview of current and proposed projects being managed.
- He distributed handouts regarding secure medicine return. There is a bill going through the House on this issue.
- A map was distributed showing where the E-cycle programs for electronic waste were.

Presentations

A. Oaths of Office

Chief Smith recognized **Joby Johnson and Brian Lutschg** for their promotion to Sergeant and Mayor Kendall presented them with their oath of offices. Chief Smith recognized **Wendy Wade** for the promotion to Lieutenant and Mayor Kendall presented her with an oath of office.

B. Employee Services Awards

Sandy Langdon presented Worth Norton, IS Manager with his 5-year service award.

Mayor Kendall presented Councilmember John Soriano with his 10-year service award.

C. Employee of the Month

Mayor Kendall presented John Tatum with Employee of the Month.

Audience Participation - None

Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of December 14, 2009 City Council Meeting Minutes.

Councilmember Seibert noted that on page 16 under his comments, the second bullet point should say *electrical code review*.

Motion made by Councilmember Seibert, seconded by Councilmember Vaughn, to approve the December 14, 2009 minutes as corrected. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

2. Approval of January 4, 2010 City Council Work Session Minutes.

Motion made by Councilmember Wright, seconded by Councilmember Nehring, to approve the January 4, 2010 minutes as presented. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

Consent

- 3. Approval of December 30, 2009 Claims in the Amount of \$179,792.83; Paid by Check No.'s 60183 through 60279 with no Check No.'s Voided.
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Motion made by Councilmember Nehring, seconded by Councilmember Soriano, to approve Consent Agenda items 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 19. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

Public Hearings

7. Proposed Utility Rate Cost of Service Adjustment.

Presentation:

Director Nielsen introduced the item and the consultants. He pointed out to the Council that the revenues would be the same, but how they allocate the cost of providing the services would change. Conservation was looked at as a primary issue within the study so lower users would get a little break. Ashley Emery with Peninsula Financial Consulting presented a very detailed PowerPoint presentation on the proposed utility rate cost of service restructure.

Councilmember Nehring referred to page 15 where it shows the tiers. He asked if everyone is at .98 for the first 0-6 gallons. Mr. Emery said it would be the same for residential, multifamily and commercial. Councilmember Nehring asked about the methodology for coming up with the tiered increases. Director Nielsen reviewed this. There was discussion about how conservation can impact rates. Councilmember Nehring asked if it might be even fairer to go with smaller tiers as opposed to the dramatic increases. Mr. Emery discussed the difficulty in determining the tier arrangement. Director Nielsen added that they were looking at seniors and some other classes for that 0-6 tier.

Councilmember Seibert suggested that the infrastructure is built for a peak demand and the cost of that infrastructure is based on the 7-20 thousand class. Director Nielsen and Mr. Emery agreed that the top two tiers are the drivers of the peak demand.

Mr. Emery continued to review the water, sewer and storm cost of service study results.

Councilmember Seibert stated that at the Public Works Committee meeting he had requested information from Lake Stevens on how Marysville compares to its neighbors. Mr. Emery said he did not have the water or the storm rates from Lake Stevens, but the sewer rates are \$60 per month right now. Councilmember Seibert commented that they are almost double what we are.

Public Heaing:

Mayor Kendall opened the Public Hearing at 8:43 p.m.

Mary Swenson discussed a memo from Chamber President Caldie Rogers. Mayor Kendall reflected for the record that the letters from Caldie Rogers and from Georgia Ann Spiger were handed out to Council and had been admitted. Mr. Emery addressed the issues in the letter.

Councilmember Seibert discussed factors related to conservation. He noted that even though people may conserve more the city is always adding more customers so the usage and the amount of water they process and sell goes up.

Councilmember Rasmussen thanked Mr. Emery for the very clear presentation. She discussed her anxiety with the changes and requested that ample information be provided to the residents so they are aware of the changes and how they will be affected. She recommended highlighting the number of gallons being used on the bill. She also recommended alerting people that conservation now could mean more money in their pocket. She expressed concern that the increased cost might discourage people from adding residential fire sprinkler systems. Sandy Langdon replied that fire lines are addressed Private Fire Protection Rates in section 5. Councilmember Rasmussen did not feel this was sufficient.

Public Comments:

Mayor Kendall solicited public comments. There were none.

City Attorney Grant Weed commented that it should be noted that the two items were admitted for the record. There was also a very thorough and lengthy presentation by Mr. Emery with several comments which should be recognized as part of the public record for this hearing.

The public hearing was closed at 9:03 p.m.

Council Deliberation:

Councilmember Nehring thanked everyone for their work on this. He asked if there is any advantage to going to monthly billing as opposed to bi-monthly billing. Finance Director Langdon replied that there would be some savings, but there are also extra costs associated with monthly. Mr. Emery commented that monthly billing would more effective from the standpoint of being more pinpointed, targeted rates. Councilmember Nehring pointed out that even with the increase we are still one of the lowest priced utilities in the area. However due to the tough economic climate he wondered if there would be a way to step in these increases. Director Nielsen said he looked into this. If Council was interested in this he would recommend a two-tiered step this year. Mr. Emery pointed out that, for residential, this is a good time to implement while water usage is low. Commercial might make more sense, but he emphasized that this is a revenue-neutral proposal and is just paying the bills.

Councilmember Seibert commented that a very rough estimate for the average user looks like a total increase of about \$14.68 for two months. He referred to the tough economic times and expressed support for stepping in the increase half or more than half now and then the rest next year. Ashley Emery commented that these are not linear increases so a step increase would be very complicated. Finance Director Langdon commented that if they go to a tiered system she wants to be clear that they still include the 2% annual increase. Kevin Nielsen said that if Council wanted to step this in he would recommend implementing sewer now and then implementing the water the following year with the rate structure. Councilmember Seibert commented that he was mostly concerned about stepping in the increase for residential customers.

Councilmember Wright asked about the extra costs associated with implementing the changes they are discussing. Finance Director Langdon spoke in support of implementing water this year and sewer next year.

Councilmember Soriano referred to the table on page 32 regarding Commercial Volume Rates. He commented that it looks like it is linear based on strength of discharges. He asked if this tends to attract or detract light industrial, commercial or manufacturing-type businesses. Mr.

Emery said that the bio-solids component of this rate is linear, but the flow rate stays the same regardless of the strength classification. He added that the City of Marysville is very attractive to commercial entities because of its fantastic rates.

Councilmember Rasmussen said she believes businesses in this community are suffering as much or more than individuals. She said if they were going to delay one versus the other she would choose to delay sewer as that would be more of a negative impact to businesses. Director Nielsen, Finance Director Langdon and CAO Swenson concurred with this. They recommended implementing the water and delaying the sewer if they were only going to do one at this time. Councilmember Seibert asked about options for implanting the sewer at a lower percentage rate. Director Nielsen thought this would work out well. Councilmember Rasmussen said she would prefer to have no impact to business, but she understands it may not be realistic. Kevin Nielsen replied that staff could work with whatever Council approves. Mary Swenson felt that doing a 4% on the sewer would address some of the concerns that the Chamber had. Councilmember Seibert spoke in favor of adopting the water modifications through the tiered system and taking 4% on the sewer increase. Councilmember Rasmussen asked about the urgency of the projects that they would have to put off if they decide to step in the changes. Director Nielsen reviewed this.

New Business

11. An **Ordinance** of the City of Marysville, Washington Restructuring Water, Sewer, and Surface Water Utility Rates, Amending Sections 14.07.010, 14.07.060, 14.07.070, and 14.19.050 of the Marysville Municipal Code as Allowed Under Section 14.07.075.

Motion made by Councilmember Nehring, seconded by Councilmember Seibert, to approve Ordinance No. 2815 with the amendment that the sewer is stepped in at 4% effective 1/1/10 and 4.6% in 1/1/11 as discussed, with water and stormwater implemented in full as proposed as of 1/1/10, and to direct staff to make those changes, for the Mayor to sign it, and for the Ordinance to be published. **Motion** passed (5-2) with Councilmembers Rasmussen and Phillips voting against the motion.

10. An **Ordinance** of the City of Marysville, Washington, Adopting and Revising Stormwater Management Regulations Pursuant to the Western Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit Issued to the City by the Washington State Department of Ecology and Amending Chapters 4.02, 14.03, 14.05, 14.09, 14.15, 14.16, 14.17, 14.18, and 19.22, of the Marysville Municipal Code.

Motion made by Councilmember Nehring, seconded by Councilmember Seibert, to approve Ordinance No. 2816. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

13. A **Resolution** of the City of Marysville Encouraging the Citizens of Marysville to Vote in Support of Marysville School District Propositions No. 1 & 2 on the Election Ballot on February 9, 2010.

Motion made by Councilmember Wright, seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen to adopt the Resolution.

Councilmember Rasmussen commented that traditionally they would not pass a resolution of this sort if the vote was not unanimous. Councilmember Phillips stated that he would not support the resolution because he did not feel they should be telling people how to vote. Seeing that the vote would not be unanimous Councilmembers Wright and Rasmussen withdrew their motion and second.

No action was taken on item #13.

13a. A Resolution of the City of Marysville Encouraging the Citizens of Marysville to Vote on Marysville School District Propositions No. 1 & 2 on the Election Ballot on February 9, 2010.

The Ballot Title Reads Substantially as Follows:

MARYSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 25 PROPOSITION NO. 1

GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS - \$78,000,000

The Board of Directors of Marysville School District No. 25 adopted Resolution No. 2010-3 concerning this proposition for bonds. The proposition would authorize the District to replace and equip two elementary schools and a middle school; acquire new and renovate existing technology facilities; and other capital improvements; to issue \$78,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum of 20 years; and collect excess property taxes annually to repay the bonds, as provided in this Resolution. Should this proposition be:

APPROVED?	
REJECTED?	

MARYSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 25 PROPOSITION NO. 2

REPLACEMENT SCHOOL SUPPORT LEVY

The Board of Directors of Marysville School District No. 25 adopted Resolution No. 2010-4 concerning educational funding. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes on all taxable properties within the District. This proposition replaces an expiring levy and will be used for education support and operations:

Collection	Estimated	Levy
Years	Levy Rates/\$1,000	Amount
	Assessed Value	
2011	\$3.15	\$21,225,000
2012	\$3.15	\$22,286,000
2013	\$3.15	\$23,400,000
2014	\$3.15	\$24,574,000

Should this proposition be approved?

YES	🗆
NO	. 🗆

Mayor Kendall solicited public comment on this matter. There were no comments.

Motion made by Councilmember Phillips, seconded by Councilmember Vaughan, to approve Resolution No. 2279 of the City of Marysville Encouraging the Citizens of Marysville to Vote on Marysville School District Propositions No. 1 & 2 on the Election Ballot on February 9, 2010. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

Legal

Mayor's Business

18. Salary Commission Appointment; Ron Foss.

Motion made by Councilmember Seibert, seconded by Councilmember Wright, to authorize the Mayor to appoint Ron Foss to the Salary Commission. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

Other Mayor's Business:

- Mayor Kendall will be going to Olympia this week with Councilmember Soriano, Councilmember Nehring, Councilmember Wright, CAO Swenson and Director Hirashima to the AWC Legislative Conference.
- The groundbreaking last week was great. Thanks to all who came out to that and to parks and public works for helping to put on the event.

Staff Business

Jim Ballew:

- He reviewed action related to the legislative move on the opt-in for license fees.
- Staff has done a great job cleaning up graffiti in the new annexation area. They have covered up 23 large fence panels of graffiti.
- Silvertips event is this Friday night.
- Registration for spring soccer is open.
- The first Father-Daughter Dance sold out. The second one has less than 100 tickets left.

Rick Smith had no comments.

Kevin Nielsen thanked the Council for action on the rate study.

Gloria Hirashima had no comments.

Sandy Langdon:

- The auditors are ready to audit again. This will be scheduled for the April/May time period.
- She and Doug Buell had a conference call today with Stan Finley from Comcast regarding the I-Net fee and the decrease from \$1.00 to \$.75. She explained how the credits would be handled.

Grant Weed stated the need for an Executive Session to discuss three matters, one matter concerning the sale of real property, one matter concerning the lease of real property and one potential litigation matter, which should last 15 minutes with action expected.

Mary Swenson:

- She commended Chief Smith on the promotions.
- She congratulated Director Nielsen, Finance Director Langdon and their staff on the rates.

Call on Councilmembers

Jeff Vaughan updated Council on their discussion with the Tulalip Tribal Council and staff members regarding the 116th Street railroad bridge graffiti. They are open to suggestions, but wanted to discuss it more. Marysville's Graffiti Task Force will be meeting with the Tribes' Graffiti Task Force to discuss this. Councilmember Seibert said it would really be helpful if someone is able to paint the ends when they start tagging again to stop it from spreading. Councilmember Vaughan said they would be discussing this with DOT as well as blocking access. Jim Ballew commented that the billboard got tagged this week at the 116th Street produce stand. This shows the risks kids are willing to take to do this. Councilmember Seibert emphasized that they need to have access in case it gets tagged again.

Donna Wright thanked staff for the work product on this study for the utilities.

Jon Nehring:

- He congratulated Chief Smith on the restructuring and the morale at the police department.
- He thanked everyone involved in the rate study.

Carmen Rasmussen:

- Thanks to the parks staff for painting over the graffiti outside the high school.
- She asked about allowing public comment on items on the consent agenda. Councilmember Seibert explained how this has been happened in the past.

Lee Phillips commended staff on the groundbreaking and Chief Smith on the promotions.

John Soriano commended Director Nielsen on the rate study. He also thanked the consultants for their input.

Jeff Seibert congratulated those who got promotions tonight. He was impressed with the acknowledgment the City received from the navy regarding Ingraham Blvd.

Recess

Mayor Kendall recessed the meeting at 10:04 p.m. for a short break before reconvening into Executive Session expected to last 15 minutes to discuss three matters, one matter concerning the sale of real property, one matter concerning the lease of real property and one potential litigation matter, with action expected.

Executive Session - started at 10:12 p.m.

- A. Litigation one matter concerning potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)
- B. Personnel
- C. Real Estate one matter concerning the sale of real property, one matter concerning the lease of real property pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(b)

Mayor Kendall called the meeting back to order at 10:27 p.m.

Motion made by Councilmember Seibert, seconded by Councilmember Nehring to authorize the Mayor to sign the Real Estate Purchase and Sale contract with Valley Grove LLC for Real Property at 601 Delta Ave as discussed in executive session. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

Motion made by Councilmember Seibert, seconded by Councilmember Phillips to authorize the Mayor to sign the Final State Grant Agreement with the Department of Commerce subject to City Attorney review and approval as discussed in executive session. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

Motion made by Councilmember Phillips, seconded by Councilmember Soriano to authorize the Mayor to sign the Joint Defense Agreement and Potential Conflict of Interest Waiver for the Verizon DSL Claim as discussed in executive session. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

Adjournment

Seeing no further business, Mayor Kendall adjourned the meeting at 10:28 p.m.

Mayor

Dennis Kendall

Asst. Admin. Svcs. Director

Tracy Jeffries^v