

# COUNCIL



# MINUTES

## **Regular Meeting** May 4, 2015

### **Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Nehring called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Roll Call**

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

**Mayor:** Jon Nehring

**Council:** Steve Muller, Kamille Norton, Jeff Seibert, Michael Stevens, Rob Toyer, Jeff Vaughan, and Donna Wright

**Absent:** None

**Also Present:** Chief Administrative Officer Gloria Hirashima, Finance Director Sandy Langdon, Police Commander Robb Lamoureux, City Attorney Jon Walker, Public Works Director Kevin Nielsen, Parks and Recreation Director Jim Ballew, IT Manager Worth Norton, Assistant Planner Amy Hess and Recording Secretary Laurie Hugdahl.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Muller, seconded by Councilmember Wright, to approve the agenda. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

### **Committee Reports**

None

### **Presentations**

None

### **Approval of Minutes (Written Comment Only Accepted from Audience.)**

1. Approval of the April 6, 2015 City Council Work Session Minutes

2. Approval of the April 13, 2015 City Council Meeting Minutes

### **Consent**

3. Approval of the April 22, 2015 Claims in the Amount of \$359,871.12; Paid by Check Numbers 99523 through 99688 with Check Number 99237 Voided
4. Approval of the April 29, 2015 Claims in the Amount of \$461,444.18; Paid by Check Numbers 99689 through 99839 with Check Number 92644 Voided
5. Approval of the April 20, 2015 Payroll in the Amount of \$904,826.68; Paid by Check Numbers 28791 through 28824

### **Review Bids**

6. Consider Awarding the Qwuloolt Fill Site Project

Public Works Director Nielsen explained this is a trucking project. They will stockpile dirt from the property on the east side of the Qwuloolt Trail. The tribes will fill in where the trail is going in and pave it afterwards.

Councilmember Toyer asked if there is a cost involved. Director Nielsen replied there is a cost for the hauling the material, but the Tribes will spread the fill material and construct the trail at no cost as part of their permit.

Councilmember Muller asked how much dirt would be hauled. Director Nielsen replied there would be 450 trucks. CAO Hirashima added that this is work that is critical to be done prior to the breach occurring. The breach is still planned for this summer.

### **Public Hearings**

7. Consider the Citizen Advisory Committee's Recommendation and Adopt the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan (Public Hearing will be held May 11, 2015) An Ordinance Adopting the 2015 – 2019 Community Development Block Grant Consolidated Plan Pursuant to 24 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 91

Assistant Planner Amy Hess reviewed the 5-year Strategic Plan.

Councilmember Norton asked if it is possible to get numbers specific to Marysville in the Consolidated Plan. Ms. Hess replied that HUD prepopulated a lot of the information in the Plan, but staff could add data. Councilmember Norton said she was interested in data specific to Marysville with regard to homeless issues.

CAO Hirashima commented that staff did a memo in the last couple months about homeless data that was collected in the Point in Time event which is specific to Marysville. Staff could provide that to Council.

## **New Business**

8. Consider the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Stanwood for Outdoor Video Services

Director Ballew reported that the City is entering into an agreement with Stanwood to provide outdoor video services for two movies this summer at a level of \$600 per event.

9. Consider the Six Firework Stand Permit Applications Submitted by TNT Fireworks and Approve the One Firework Stand Permit Application each Submitted by Park Ridge Community Church/Shock N Awe Fireworks and Western Fireworks

CAO Hirashima reviewed the applications that have been submitted for fireworks stands. Staff is recommending approval of the stands.

10. Consider the Master Permit Agreement with Maryfest Inc. to Present the 2015 Marysville Strawberry Festival as Proposed

Director Ballew reviewed the 2015 permit proposal. There were no comments or questions.

11. Consider the Three Separate Landowner Agreements between the City of Marysville and the Adopt-A-Stream Foundation

Director Nielsen discussed the three locations that the Adopt-A-Stream Foundation wants to do riparian planting. All of the parcels are on city-owned property. The projects are intended to improve water quality and reduce the temperature in the stream for fish habitat. These include portions of the Hayho Creek Watershed, Jennings Memorial Park, and Northpointe Park along Munson Creek.

12. Consider The Greater Marysville Tulalip Chamber of Commerce Proposal and Direct Staff to Prepare a Chamber Services Contract to Award the Request

Chamber Board Chair Will Ibershof discussed a letter from Marysville Tulalip Chamber President/CEO Jessica Stickles outlining a grant request and offered to answer any questions.

CAO Hirashima explained that this is a request from the Chamber of Commerce for grant funding to help strengthen Marysville's economic vitality by promoting businesses joining the Chamber. Specifically it would be used for website updates (\$10,000), a Communications Coordinator Intern (\$20,000), and scholarships (\$10,000). CAO Hirashima stated that she and the Mayor have identified funds that could be used for this if it is the Council's desire, but they recommend that a Chamber Services Contract be drafted which would include specific goals and monitoring to ensure accountability to the projects and their outcomes.

Councilmember Norton asked how long the internship position would last. Mr. Ibershof said it would be for one year.

Councilmember Seibert asked if this is in addition to the Visitor's Center contract or in lieu of it. CAO Hirashima replied that the Chamber applied for a hotel motel grant for the Visitor Information Center, but did not receive it so this would be in lieu of that.

Councilmember Vaughan asked for more details about the website update. Mr. Ibershof explained it would be used for SEO updates and to make the website responsive. President Jessica Stickle got some estimates from a couple organizations to do these updates and that is where the \$10,000 figure came from. Councilmember Vaughan expressed concern that it might not be sufficient. Mr. Ibershof offered to look into it further.

Councilmember Vaughan asked if other chambers offer scholarships. Mr. Ibershof replied that they do, and this is an attempt to draw in more members.

Councilmember Vaughan referred to the Chamber's value proposition. He noted that if the Chamber has a strong value proposition it will make it easy for businesses to choose to join.

Mr. Ibershof offered to set up a meeting to answer questions that the Council has.

Councilmember Muller expressed some concerns about the structure of the scholarship proposal. Mr. Ibershof concurred.

Councilmember Muller referred to the Communications Coordinator position and asked how far along in their schooling these interns are. Mr. Ibershof was not sure. Councilmember Muller asked what the expected outcome of these recommendations is. Mr. Ibershof replied that it would help the Chamber become self-sufficient and grow. Part of what they want to do with the Communications Coordinator Intern is reach out to the community to come up with specific programs and projects to get their message out in order to be a collaborative organization.

Councilmember Wright also expressed concern about the scholarships and requested more information. She then recommended making the cost of membership differences for individuals and businesses more clear.

CAO Hirashima solicited Council direction for next steps.

Councilmember Muller expressed interest in getting more information about the website updates and the best return on investment of these proposed projects.

Councilmember Toyer asked if Jessica Stickle would be able to attend the next meeting. Mr. Ibershof said he would ask her.

Councilmember Vaughan asked if the Council had already decided that they were in favor of granting the Chamber money. He wondered if the Council needs to answer the policy question of whether or not they want to support the Chamber first before they discuss the merits of the request.

Councilmember Seibert asked if other chambers get subsidized by their municipalities and if so, at what level. CAO Hirashima offered to provide that information. Mr. Ibershof replied that it is all over the board. It depends on the relationship between the Chamber and the cities as well as the size of the Chamber. He noted that the Chamber is going through a major transition. They will be applying for other grants from other sources and hope to eventually be self-sufficient.

Councilmember Muller commented he likes the direction he sees the Chamber taking. He suggested getting together with the Chamber to discuss the relationship further.

Councilmember Toyer asked if it would be appropriate for the Economic Development Committee to be involved. There was discussion about possibly holding a meeting with the Economic Development Committee, and the Chamber on the third Monday of the month.

Councilmember Stevens commented that within the last few months he has noticed a renewed enthusiasm with the Chamber and businesses' attitude regarding it. He spoke in support of a joint meeting with the Economic Development Committee and the Chamber.

Mr. Ibershof concluded that he would bring back more information regarding the proposal regarding the website and the scholarships. Councilmember Toyer requested seeing the actual proposal that Chamber Master had provided.

13. Consider a Resolution Declaring Vehicles, Pumps, and Other Certain Items of Personal Property to be Surplus and Authorizing the Sale or Disposal Thereof

Director Nielsen stated this is a resolution to surplus some vehicles and pumps. They will be sent to the James Murphy Auction Company. There were no comments or questions.

14. Consider a Resolution Declaring an Emergency and Waiving the Requirement for Public Bidding for Repairs and Replacement of the Damaged Public Safety Building Video Security System

IT Manager Worth Norton commented that this is a resolution changing bid requirements. The equipment is ordered and on its way. The technicians are being background checked right now and will be ready to start cabling on Wednesday. There were no comments or questions.

### **Mayor's Business:**

- Thanks to everyone for their attendance at the Police Awards Banquet last week.
- He expressed appreciation for the work the police have done, but especially over the last year.
- Education Expo was a great event. He commended Councilmember Muller for heading that up through Rotary. This continues to be a great annual event for the community.
- Councilmember Wright, Councilmember Stevens and he attended the PSRC General Assembly. He found the discussion on Sound Transit and light rail particularly interesting.
- He received a letter from AWC about a large city advisory committee they formed as part of their visioning process. There is a meeting coming up, but he is on the board, so he recommended that someone else attend to represent the City. It will be two meetings a year with the first one on May 26. He requested that anyone interested in being a represented let him know.

### **Staff Business:**

Sandy Langdon said she appreciated the police awards ceremony and the opera house.

Jim Ballew:

- Parks put on an outstanding fishing derby. A young man caught a 6½ pound trout.
- Maryke has returned back to work at the Baxter Center. It is great to have her back.
- There will be a Cinco de Mayor lunch celebration tomorrow in the Red Barn.

Robb Lamoureux:

- The awards ceremony was a fantastic event. Thanks to CAO Hirashima and her staff for putting that together. It meant a lot to the police.
- The police had some Simunitions FX training today. He invited the Council to come out to watch the next ones.

Kevin Nielsen:

- Diana Rose received a grant for trip hazards. The City completed the work for \$10,000, so the City's trip hazard program is completed for the year.
- Sunnyside is under construction so there will be some delays.
- There will also be delays on 55<sup>th</sup>.
- State Avenue construction will get going soon.
- Staff is trying to keep the city clean, keep weeds down, and get grant money for all of the projects authorized by Council. Kerri Chenault is pretty amazing with getting grants for the City.

- The weather is changing.
- Staff will provide updates on the I-5 expansion joints as they are available. It will be night work so shouldn't affect the City too much.

Worth Norton had no comments.

John Walker had no comments.

Gloria Hirashima had no comments.

### **Call on Council:**

Michael Stevens shared a funny story about his son at the police awards.

Rob Toyer also enjoyed the police awards. Thanks for the invite.

Kamille Norton:

- She also enjoyed the police awards. She was honored to be present.
- She and Donna attended the community Cinco de Mayor event. There were a lot of people and it was a lot of fun.
- Mayor Nehring thanked her for speaking on behalf of the City at that event.

Steve Muller:

- He suggested having wall fish for fish over 5 pounds.
- The Education Expo was awesome. There were over 1400 kids. This was the first year at the college and was very well received.

Donna Wright:

- She enjoyed the police awards. Congratulations to police for the well-deserved awards.
- At the Cinco de Mayor event there were dancers in traditional costumes and great food.
- She requested an excused absence next Monday since she will be in Washington DC.

Jeff Seibert:

- He received another request from a citizen for speed enforcement review. Director Nielsen offered to contact the person.
- He commented that the traffic was definitely slow on Sunnyside last week due to the project, but it's good to see the progress.
- He attended the police awards. Thanks for the invitation. He enjoyed it.

Jeff Vaughan:

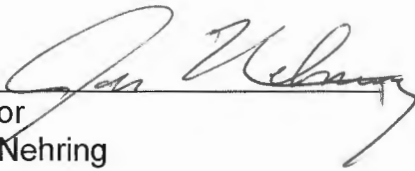
- He stated that attending Simunitions FX training a few years ago was one of the most surreal and exciting experiences that he has had on Council.

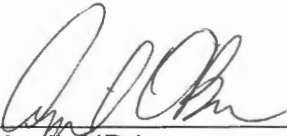
- He expressed appreciation to Chief Smith for the jail tour and informative update.
- He thanked Councilmember Muller for covering the TBD Board meeting in his absence.
- He has been traveling through a lot of communities recently. He commented that it really matters how a city looks.

## Adjournment

Seeing no further business Mayor Nehring adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Approved this 26 day of May, 2015.

  
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Mayor  
Jon Nehring

  
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April O'Brien  
Deputy City Clerk