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MARYSVILLE CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION 000 83

November 17, 2003

7:00 p.m.

City Hall

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / INVOCATION

CORRECTED: SEE 11.24.03
MINUTES

Mayor David Weiser called the work session to order at 7:00 p.m. He led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. There was no invocation given.

ROLL CALL

Chief Administrative Officer Mary Swenson called the roll. The following councilmembers and staff members were in attendance:

Council: Mayor David Weiser, Mayor Pro Tem Mike Leighan, Jon Nehring, Jeff Seibert, Suzanne Smith, John Soriano, Lisa Vares, and Donna Wright.

Staff: Mary Swenson, Chief Administrative Officer; Grant Weed, City Attorney; Jim Owens, Public Works Director; Kevin Nielsen, City Engineer; Jeff Massie, Assistant City Engineer; Gloria Hirashima, Community Development Director; Jim Ballew, Parks and Recreation Director; Sandy Langdon, Finance Director; Greg Young, Grants Administrator; Kristie Guy, Human Resources Manager; and Laurie Hugdahl, Recording Secretary.

Other: Mayor Elect Dennis Kendall and Councilmember Elect Jeff Vaughan.

Councilmember Lisa Vares arrived at 7:06 p.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Jeff Seibert reported on the October 16 **Public Works** meeting discussion. Topics discussed included:

- State Avenue Project – lane closures
- Edward Springs
- 116th to 132nd railroad alignment issue
- 100th to 116th
- North Area Detention Pond – easement issues
- Wastewater Treatment
- 152nd Street

Councilmember Jon Nehring reported on the **Facilities** meeting. He commented that the driving range is looking nice. They are hoping to have an official open house around the first

of the year. He also discussed the possibility of the facility being available for rentals next year. Another topic discussed at the meeting was the Public Works building improvements.

Councilmember Suzanne Smith noted that the **Parks Board** discussed:

- The budget – each manager reviewed that department's budget
- Possible names of the driving range facility
- New program: Safety Town – a children's program

DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no discussion items.

Other Items Scheduled for November 24, 2003 Meeting

CONSENT

A. Approval of November 24, 2003 Claims.

B. Approval of November 20, 2003 Payroll.

C. Approval of Liquor License Renewals for Circle K #8878 State Avenue), Pearl Garden, and Jackpot Foodmart #160 (6031-A 47th Avenue).

There was no discussion regarding this issue.

D. Approval of New Liquor License for Marysville Chevron.

There was no discussion regarding this issue.

E. Authorize Mayor to Sign Annual Support Agreement for Formunis Software.

There was no discussion regarding this issue.

F. Authorize Mayor to Sign Renewal Contract with Arlington Recreational Shooting & Training Center.

There was no discussion regarding this issue.

G. Authorize Mayor to Sign Renewal Professional Service Agreement for Plan Review Services; Tim Nordvedt, Pac Rim Code Services.

There was no discussion regarding this issue.

REVIEW BIDS**A. Edward Springs Well #1 & #3 Rehabilitation Construction Contract Award.**

There was some discussion about the fact that there had only been one bidder for this project.

B. Small Works Contract for Public Safety Remodel.

There was no discussion about this issue.

CURRENT BUSINESS**A. Association of Washington Cities Worker's Compensation Retro Group Program (continued from 11/10/03).**

Paul Chasco, Assistant Director for Insurance Services of AWC

Mr. Chasco explained the history of the program – how and why it had been formed. He then reviewed the benefits and the policies of the program. He noted that the cost would be 6.5% of the past year's premium. The breakdown of that would be 4% to claims and administration; 1% for loss control services; and 1.5% to AWC for administration.

Councilmember Donna Wright asked about the refund of surplus L&I. Mr. Chasco explained how this would be handled in the first few years of the program. Councilmember Seibert clarified that the money to be refunded would return to the City and would not be used for lobbying purposes. Mr. Chasco indicated that this was correct. He then discussed:

1. Return to Work Program – to avoid time loss. The City needs to develop a policy in the first year.
2. How to protect the pool from cities that do not perform well. If a city performs poorly even after continued help, the advisory group and AWC board can then choose not to invite them back.

Councilmember Mike Leighan asked if the City would still have a safety officer. Mr. Chasco said that they would. The officer will be able to help with any issues the City has and can provide training for staff. Councilmember Soriano then asked about the experience factor. Mr. Chasco explained how the rating system works. There were no further comments or questions.

B. Open Committee Meetings (continued from 11/10/03).

There was no discussion on this issue.

NEW BUSINESS**A. IAC Grant Application & Resolution; Irrigation for High School 4-Plex Athletic Field.**

Councilmember Seibert asked if a grant like this could be done with Strawberry Fields and the driving range. Jim Ballew explained that this particular project was more worthy of the youth grant application because of the great need. Grants Administrator Greg Young commented that they had initially asked to be in the development category, but they had been notified that they would stand a better chance in the maintenance category. The downside to this is that the amount of money is less and they will need to scale back the scope of irrigation.

Councilmember Leighan commented that this is predicated on school district dollars. Greg Young stated that they have received a letter of support from the school district. Mr. Ballew agreed that it would require a formal resolution from the school board at a later date, but not at this time. Councilmember Smith asked if the school district had been notified about the reduced change in scope. Mr. Ballew said they had not because the City just found out tonight, but they would let them know right away. Councilmember Soriano referred to a line item for automatic irrigation for shrubbery. Mr. Young said that had been removed. There were no further comments or questions.

B. Resolution Supporting Grant Submission to Snohomish County for CDBG Funding.

Mr. Young explained that the purpose of this grant is to refurbish the restrooms at Comeford Park and to make them ADA accessible. Councilmember Smith asked if the City's matching amount was in the budget. Mr. Ballew indicated that it was.

C. Utility Relocation Agreement; State Avenue Improvements (Grove Street to First Street); P.U.D. No. 1 of Snohomish County.

Public Works Director Jim Owens stated that this is similar to the agreement done with Verizon. There was some discussion about who will own the vaults and conduits and the possibility of leasing out in the future. Assistant City Engineer Jeff Massie stated that the PUD would own the vaults and conduits for this project, but he would check the Verizon agreement.

D. Name Selection of the Driving Range Facility Interim Use.

There was discussion about the proposed "Marysville Community Campus" name. Jim Ballew explained that the property had originally been acquired with the campus concept in mind. He explained how the Parks Board had spent a significant amount of time and had eventually come up with this possible name.

E. Parks & Recreation Fee Schedule.

Mr. Ballew stated that this shows the range of fees for 2004 and hopefully for 2005 as well. Councilmember Smith requested a copy of the old range (2002) for the sake of comparison. Councilmember Leighan inquired about the rates for renting out the Ken Baxter Senior Center. There was discussion about competitive rates, comparable facilities, and the possibility of having a seasonal discount.

Regarding the proposed fee schedule, Councilmember Nehring wondered why there was a range of fees and not a set fee. Mr. Ballew explained that they often have to be flexible with fees that are out of their control. He also went over how the prices for the programs are based on the cost of the program (fees) plus 12% overhead to cover administrative costs. There were no further comments or questions.

LEGAL**A. 2004 City Attorney Retainer Renewal Agreement.**

Mary Swenson explained that this is a straight renewal with no changes.

B. 2004 Contract Renewal with Allied Employers.

Ms. Swenson explained the changes in this contract renewal.

C. 2004 Contract Renewal for Chief of Police Robert Carden.

Ms. Swenson noted that this would amend Chief Carden's contract to include updated salary levels.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS**A. An Ordinance of the City of Marysville Washington Establishing Parks and Recreation Department Fee Schedules, and Repealing Ordinance No. 2299.**

Discussed above.

INFORMATION ITEMS**A. Mayor's Business**

Mayor Weiser extended his congratulations to the Marysville Pilchuck High School girls' volleyball team, which placed second in the state competition.

There was then significant discussion about the possibility of Mayor Weiser resigning mid-December (two weeks early) in order to accept another position and the impact this

would have on Council. City Attorney Grant Weed explained the options available to Council. In his opinion, Council can:

1. Do nothing – the Mayor Pro Tem would step in automatically.
2. Fill the vacancy – appoint a qualified person to fill the vacancy.

B. Staff Business

Jim Ballew had no comment.

Kevin Nielsen had no comment.

Sandy Langdon noted that there would be a Finance Committee meeting on Wednesday at 4:00 p.m.

Jim Owens had no comment.

Grant Weed had no comment.

C. Call on Councilmembers

Jeff Seibert had no comment.

Suzanne Smith had no comment.

Mike Leighan congratulated the Mayor. He noted that in the Globe the location of the Council meetings is still listed as the Public Safety Building although the address is correct.

Donna Wright reported that the AWC Legislative Committee had met and had prioritized their top four issues as: 1) infrastructure funding, 2) unfunded mandates, 3) local transportation and 4) annexation reform.

Lisa Vares congratulated the Mayor. She noted that she had participated in a citizen ride-along with a police officer on Sunday. She reported that there had been some issues with construction on State Avenue regarding driver confusion and potholes.

Jon Nehring congratulated the Mayor. He reported that there has been a return of loiterers under the bridge on Sunday mornings. Mayor Weiser discussed possible reasons for this and actions that might be taken.

John Soriano congratulated the Mayor.

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 s/b Herald

ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further business, Mayor Weiser adjourned the work session at 8:23 p.m. Executive Session was scheduled to begin at 8:30 p.m. There was one real estate matter and one employee issue to be discussed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council met in Executive Session at 8:30 p.m.; discussed one personnel and one real estate issue, and reconvened into Regular Session at 8:45 p.m.

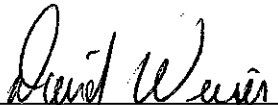
Motion by Councilmember Vares, second by Councilmember Seibert to authorize the Mayor to sign the Purchase and Sale agreement for property as discussed in Executive Session.

Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

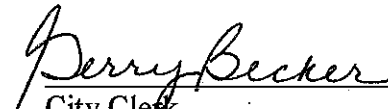
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Weiser adjourned the November 17, 2003 City Council Work Session at 8:46 p.m.

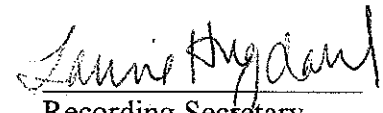
Approved this 24th day of November, 2003.



Mayor
David Weiser



City Clerk
Gerry Becker



Recording Secretary
Laurie Hugdahl