

COUNCIL



MINUTES

Work Session

January 20, 2009

Call to Order / Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Pro Tem Seibert called the January 20, 2009 Work Session of the Marysville City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. at Marysville City Hall. Mayor Pro Tem Seibert 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 Pro Tem: Jeff Seibert

Council: Councilmember Jon Nehring, Councilmember Lee Phillips, Councilmember Carmen Rasmussen, Councilmember John Soriano, Councilmember Jeff Vaughan and Councilmember Donna Wright

Absent: Mayor Dennis Kendall – out of town

Also Present: Community Development Director Gloria Hirashima, City Clerk Tracy Jeffries, Chief of Police Rick Smith, Chief Administrative Officer Mary Swenson, Public Works Director Kevin Nielsen, Code Enforcement Officer Paul Rochon, City Attorney Tom Graafstra

Committee Reports

No reports

Discussion Items

Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of January 12, 2009 City Council Meeting Minutes.
2. Approval of January 20, 2009 City Council Work Session Minutes.

Consent Agenda

3. Approval of the P-13 December 31, 2008 Claims in the Amount of \$498,965.19; Paid by Check No.'s 52592 through 52745 with no Check No.'s Voided.
4. Approval of the January 1, 2009 Claims in the Amount of \$1,188,598.41; Paid by Check No.'s 52581 through 52591 with no Check No.'s Voided.
5. Approval of January 7, 2009 Claims.
6. Approval of January 14, 2009 Claims.
7. Approval of January 20, 2009 Payroll.

Review Bids

8. Award 2009 Concrete Construction Contract

There was no discussion on this item.

New Business

9. Comcast Work Order to Expand I-Net Infrastructure to the New Fire Administration Building in the Amount of \$12,808.00.

Worth Norton summarized the item. Council had no questions.

10. Equipment Lease Renewal with Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County for Two Transformers for the Period of September 30, 2008 through August 31, 2013 in the Amount of \$8,766.60.

Kevin Nielson summarized the item. There were no questions.

11. Notice of Termination of Lease with Clear Channel/Ackerly Communication.

Kevin Nielson summarized the item. Councilmember Seibert asked if the sign was ours. Director Nielsen explained that it is on our right-of-way, but the sign is theirs.

12. Professional Services Agreement between City of Marysville and Macaulay and Associated, LTD for Consultant Services on the I-5 Overpass at 156th Street NE Evaluating Potential Local Improvement District (LID) in the Amount of \$56,200.00.

Kevin Nielson explained the item. Councilmember Nehring asked if the people involved in the LID have an appeal process if they do not agree. Director Nielsen explained that they can do a review process, but there is a lot of support from property owners for this.

13. An Ordinance of the City of Marysville, Washington, Amending the City's Development Regulation by Adopting Design Standards and Guidelines and Streetscape Plan for the East Sunnyside/Whiskey Ridge Master Plan Area and by Adopting Chapter 19.14B MMC.

Gloria Hirashima reviewed the item. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on October 28, 2008. Prior to that there was a public meeting and public workshops.

Councilmember Donna Wright commented that the guidelines seem pretty flexible, which attracts people to develop it.

Councilmember Carmen Rasmussen thanked staff for the pictures in the document that clearly show what is meant by each definition. This makes it easier to understand the guidelines. Director Hirashima commended Makers for their part in developing the Design Guidelines.

Mayor Pro Tem Jeff Seibert referred to page 5 regarding orientation of lots. He expressed concern about orientation of lots on 87th since as an arterial. Director Hirashima referred to some of the examples which do not have driveway access on the front since they are done with an alley design. On 87th, most of the zoning is either multiple or mixed use. There would be one driveway to access parking on the back of the building. This would provide a more pedestrian-friendly area. Councilmember Seibert expressed concern about the speed limit on 87th. Director Nielsen explained that 87th is divided into various segments. They tried to address the speed with the streetscape and the road width. Director Hirashima reviewed how design standards would also help slow the traffic down. Mayor Pro Tem Seibert commended the design guidelines.

14. Visitor & Community Information Center Services Agreement for the Greater Marysville Tulalip Chamber of Commerce & City of Marysville.

Mary Swenson explained that this is the renewal of the annual agreement.

Councilmember Carmen Rasmussen asked if the last item on page 2 of exhibit A was new. Director Swenson explained that it is in the current agreement. She and the Mayor have had contact, but will work on including councilmembers more. Lee Phillips asked if the Chamber pointed to a specific reason for the increase. CAO Swenson explained that it is to cover escalating labor costs.

15. Approval of a Part Time Confidential Administrative Assistant Position for the Legal Department and Placement on the Non-represented Pay Grid at Pay Code N2.

Mary Swenson reviewed the item. Councilmember Nehring asked about the rate review for Lake Stevens and Arlington. CAO Swenson said they met with Lake Stevens and Arlington today to discuss the proposed increase. They understood the need for the increase but requested June implementation rather than January. She requested Council's opinion on this.

16. An Ordinance of the City of Marysville, Washington Amending the City's Code Enforcement and Nuisance Regulations and Amending Chapters 4.02 and 6.24 of the Marysville Municipal Code.

Gloria Hirashima reviewed proposed changes to the code.

Councilmember Lee Phillips suggested adding *abandoned* vehicles to section number 11. Director Hirashima concurred.

Jeff Seibert referred to 16.40. He asked if Heavy Commercial vehicles was meant to describe number 28 on 16.55. Director Hirashima affirmed that it was meant to define number 28. There was discussion about clarifying the verbiage regarding heavy equipment on larger lots. Director Hirashima indicated she would bring back something on this.

Councilmember Donna Wright pointed out a numbering issue on pages 52 and 53.

Mayor Pro Tem Jeff Seibert described a scenario and asked how the 30-day time period mentioned in number 12 would apply. Paul Rochon reiterated that their response would be triggered by a complaint from a citizen. Director Hirashima explained that their general practice is to respond on a timeline with the citizen. Councilmember Seibert asked about extending this timeline to 90 days. After staff reviewed the current timeframe, there was consensus to leave this at 30 days.

17. Interlocal Cooperative Agreement for Northwest Mini-chain Services between the City of Marysville and Whatcom County for Prisoner Transport.

Chief Smith reviewed this item. There were no questions.

Mayor's Business

Staff Business

Kevin Nielsen:

- The roads were slippery this morning; they are putting anti-icer on tonight.
- Will bring emergency flood kit next week.

Chief Smith:

- They had a good negotiation session with MPOA on Friday.
- They just received Total Station which will improve traffic investigations on major collisions and other investigation cases.
- A new program specialist started today.

Gloria Hirashima had no comments.

Mary Swenson:

- Stated the need for an Executive Session to update Council on three items, which were expected to last 40 minutes. Two items were relating to labor (one MPOA item and one Teamsters item) and one real estate item relating to a lease. Action was expected on two items.
- Council retreat is scheduled for February 28.
- Finance Committee has been rescheduled to January 26 at 6:30 p.m.

Tom Graafstra had no comments.

Call on Councilmembers

Carmen Rasmussen stated that she serves as a representative to the United Way Health and Safety Network. They are in need of a new fiscal agent as Mountlake Terrace is no longer able to provide this. Mary Swenson stated that she would look into this.

Jeff Vaughan had no comments.

Jon Nehring had no comments.

Donna Wright had no comments.

Lee Phillips noted that next Tuesday is the Mayor's state of the City.

John Soriano had no comments.

Jeff Seibert said he noticed a bald eagle in a tree just to the east of Strawberry Fields.

Adjournment

Mayor Pro tem Seibert recessed the meeting at 7:52 p.m. for five minutes after which he then reconvened into Executive Session to discuss:

- A. Litigation
- B. Personnel – 2 labor items 42.30.140 (4)(a), action expected on 2 items.
- C. Real Estate – 1 item, no action

Motion made by Councilmember John Soriano, seconded by Councilmember Jon Nehring, to authorize the Mayor to sign the MPOA agreement as discussed in executive session. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

Motion made by Councilmember Donna Wright, seconded by Councilmember Jon Nehring, to authorize the Mayor to sign the Teamsters settlement agreement as discussed in executive session . **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

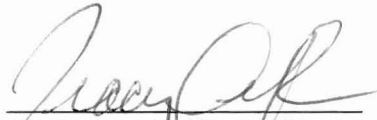
Adjournment

Seeing no further business, Mayor Pro tem Seibert adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Approved this 10 day of February, 2009.



Mayor
Dennis Kendall



Asst. Admin. Svcs. Director
Tracy Jeffries