



**Regular Meeting**  
March 5, 2012

**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, Carmen Rasmussen, Jeff Seibert, Michael Stevens, Rob Toyer, and Donna Wright

**Absent:** Jeff Vaughan

**Also Present:** Chief Administrative Officer Gloria Hirashima, Finance Director Sandy Langdon, Commander Robb Lamoureux, City Attorney Grant Weed, Public Works Director Kevin Nielsen, and Recording Secretary Laurie Hugdahl.

Mayor Nehring said he received a phone call from Councilmember Vaughan who informed him he is ill.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Seibert, seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen, to excuse the absence of Councilmember Vaughan. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

**Committee Reports**

Councilmember Seibert reported on the March 2 Public Works Committee Meeting where they discussed the work plans for Public Works for the next year. They have quite a work load. They do have some challenges, but it sounds like they will accomplish what they need to.

Councilmember Toyer reported on the March 1 Graffiti Task Force meeting. The Graffiti Paint Out is scheduled for April 14 from 9 to 12. There are over a hundred volunteers so far.

## **Approval of Minutes**

1. Approval of February 13, 2012, City Council Meeting Minutes.
2. Approval of February 27, 2012, City Council Meeting Minutes.

## **Consent**

3. Approval of February 22, 2012, Claims in the Amount of \$204,948.98; Paid by Check Number's 75423 through 75575 with Check Number 71383 Voided.
4. Approval of February 29, 2012, Claims in the Amount of \$576,226.33; Paid by Check Number's 75576 through 75710 with Check Number's 72338 and 75349 Voided.
5. Approval of February 17, 2012, Payroll in the Amount of \$783,359.83; Paid by Check Number's 25168 through 25206.
6. Approval of the March 5, 2012 Payroll in the Amount of \$1,367,365.57; Paid by Check Numbers 25207 through 25255.

## **Review Bids**

9. Award the bid for the Crown Pacific Site Cleanup contract to Skycorp, LTD in the amount of \$92,886.67 including Washington State Sales Tax and approve a management reserve of \$10,000 for a total allocation of \$102,886.67

Director Nielsen said there were 13 bidders for this project which has been in the works for almost two years. The low bidder was Skycorp in the amount of about \$92,000. Staff is requesting an additional \$10,000 for a management reserve since this is a cleanup project. The consultant will be onsite while they are digging to do the testing. They will try to coordinate the digging with the tides so they don't have to do a lot of dewatering. This is a small, but technical project. \$85,000 of the funding for this is for construction funds out of an EPA Brownfields Grant.

Councilmember Muller asked if the tidal issues were because they were digging so far down they were going below the high tide mark. Director Nielsen affirmed this.

CAO Hirashima added that they are striving to receive a record of clean site from both the State Department of Ecology as well as the Federal EPA. This has been a good learning experience for doing a Brownfields Grant and going through the process of getting a clean bill of health for a site. Director Nielsen commended CAO Hirashima for obtaining this the grant.

Councilmember Muller asked what will replace the contaminated soil. Director Nielsen explained that they have material tested out of a pit outside of Granite Falls. They will be backfilling it with the imported material.

Councilmember Toyer asked about the history of this site. Director Nielsen explained that this was an old gas station and logging site. The City will be removing diesel-contaminated soil.

Mayor Nehring thanked Director Nielsen and CAO Hirashima for their work on this project.

## **Public Hearings**

### **New Business**

7. Interlocal Agreement for Emergency Management Services with Snohomish County.

Councilmember Muller wondered why they were renewing this so early when they have until June to terminate. Director Langdon explained that June is the termination date for 2013. CAO Hirashima explained that this contract has actually been delayed and was due for renewal January 1 for 2012. She explained it got delayed because there was a provision in the contract that the County was insisting on including. They wanted the City to adopt the County's Human Rights Ordinance. At the end of the year the County changed their policy and allowed cities not to adopt it. Director Nielsen thanked City Attorney Grant Weed for his work on that issue. He noted that they had many interlocal agreements with the County that had that provision in there. City Attorney Weed worked diligently for the City to get that provision removed.

8. Application for CrossFit Marysville, LLC to Conduct a Special Event on Saturday, March 24, 2012, Including the Street Closure of Columbia Avenue, as Requested by the Applicant.

CAO Hirashima explained this is a street closure for a fitness competition that will occur on March 24. There were no questions or comments.

## **Legal**

### **Mayor's Business**

- Economic Alliance Snohomish County had a great Economic Forecast Panel with an economist and a panel. This is the first year he has heard the panel and the economist predict net gains across the board for the economy in 2012.
- Community Transit met on March 1 and contracted awarded contracted bus services and supply and delivery of engine parts.

- He reminded Council members to complete the F1 form which is due on April 15 along with their taxes.
- He was contacted by a citizen who recommended making Marysville, Indiana a sister city. The city was seriously affected by the recent tornadoes. Councilmember Seibert recalled that Marysville, Australia had a fire and the City did a Resolution for that. Councilmember Rasmussen commented that Marysville, Indiana was a city of under 2,000 and sustained severe damage from the tornado. She spoke in support of doing a Resolution and asking citizens to donate to the Red Cross on behalf of Marysville, WA, since the Red Cross already has a presence there.

### **Staff Business**

Robb Lamoureux had no comments

Kevin Nielsen had no comments

Sandy Langdon stated that she has been busy following budget at the state level.

Steve Muller asked for details about the invoice on tab 4, Equipment Rental, page 3. He thought a car should be considered a Capital purchase. Finance Director Langdon explained they have to purchase it through Equipment Rental, but then they transfer it to Capital at the end of the year. Equipment Rental includes both Capital and Operations. Staff explained how this process works.

Grant Weed stated the need for an Executive Session to discuss one potential litigation item with no action taken. He estimated they would need 15 minutes.

Gloria Hirashima reported that the Community Development Block Grant Consolidated Plan was issued today and has a 30-day comment period. It is accessible on the City's website. Public hearings will be held after the comment period.

### **Call on Councilmembers**

Michael Stevens had no comments.

Carmen Rasmussen had no comments.

Jeff Seibert informed the Council that he may need an excused absence next Monday.

Donna Wright commented that it was a nice memorial service for former Councilmember Ken Baxter. It was nice to see all the people who attended. She also appreciated the speakers. She informed Council that that National League of Cities would be held in Seattle in December of 2013. She recommended keeping this in mind for budgeting. She noted that they might want to put together a youth contingency to represent the City.

Steve Muller concurred that the memorial service for Ken Baxter was a very nice event.

Rob Toyer had no comments.

The Council recessed at 8:26 p.m. for four minutes after which time they reconvened into Executive Session to discuss one potential litigation item. It was announced that the Executive Session would last 15 minutes with no action expected.

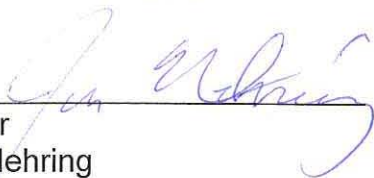
**Executive Session**

- A. Litigation – one item, per RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i)
- B. Personnel
- C. Real Estate

**Adjournment**

Seeing no further business Mayor Nehring adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Approved this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2012.

  
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Mayor  
Jon Nehring

  
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April O'Brien  
Deputy City Clerk