

SPECIAL MEETING

MARYSVILLE CITY COUNCIL

December 21, 1999

8:00 a.m.

City Hall

Present: Mayor Dave WeiserAbsent: NormaJean DierckCouncilmembers:

Shirley Bartholomew

Jim Brennick

Mike Leighan

Otto Herman

Donna Pedersen

Donna Wright

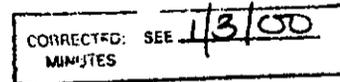
Administrative Staff:

Dave Zabell, City Administrator

Mary Swenson, City Clerk

Gloria Hirashima, Planning Director

Grant Weed, City Attorney

Call to Order:

Mayor Dave Weiser called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. He noted that all Councilmembers were present with the exception of Councilmember Dierck.

Proposed Increase to School Mitigation Fees:

City Attorney Weed explained that the Snohomish County Council took action to have the capital facility plans of the various school districts reviewed and if appropriate adjust the school mitigation fees. They did not take action to increase mitigation fees.

Planning Director Hirashima stated that the Council removed the caps in the Ordinance; they didn't change the fees. She then reviewed the changes made in the Snohomish County Amended Ordinance No. 99-107.

Planning Director Hirashima further explained the county caps and discount of 50%. The City's fees are calculated different than the County's fees. She further explained the difference in the fees.

City Councilmember Herman stated that the City should also adopt the 50% discount or something else that mirrors the County plan.

City Attorney Weed indicated that if the County's capital facility plan review results in an increase in fees it could require an election.

There were further discussions regarding what Snohomish County approved and if an election would be required to raise fees.

There was an extensive discussion regarding what action the City Council could take to ensure that the City's mitigation fees mirror the County fees. If the County is not required to have an election, given their recent action, the City doesn't want to be in a position that would require an election.

Following further discussion it was decided that Mayor Weiser would try to reach County Councilmember Larsen regarding the action taken by the County Council. There was a five-minute recess.

Mayor Weiser stated that he was not able to reach Councilmember Larsen.

City Attorney Weed reviewed the language of the City's ordinance regarding the caps in the fees versus what the County ordinance requires.

Planning Director Hirashima then reviewed the Capital Facilities Plan versus the SEPA based process for school impact fees.

There was further discussion regarding the City process and how it differs from the County process.

Ty Day, representing Belmark and the Master Builders Association, stated that the County process addressed 50% discounts, assessed value, capital facilities plan and added a technical review committee.

There was further discussion regarding what language could be changed or added to the City's ordinance that would reflect what the County ordinance language does with regard to the fee.

Councilmembers discussed the exemptions that are in the County ordinance and if this is something the City should consider. It was determined that exemptions could be done without an election.

Several Councilmembers expressed concern with the lack of representation from the Marysville School District.

Following further discussion, Councilmember Herman moved and Councilmember Leighan seconded to have the City Attorney draft an amendment that reflects replacement of the dollar value to language that states "shall not exceed the amount collected by Snohomish County". The motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember Herman moved and Councilmember Pedersen seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 2306:

An Ordinance of the City of Marysville, Washington Amending
MMC 18C.10.010 Relating to School Impact Fees.

The motion passed unanimously.

Proposed Increase to Gambling Tax:

City Attorney Weed reviewed the proposed Ordinance, which would increase the tax on conducting social card games from 5% to 20%.

There was a discussion regarding what other cities in the area collect. City Attorney Weed responded that they vary. The City of Everett recently adopted a structure that would raise the tax to 20% over a period of several years.

City Attorney Weed stated that Marysville does not have any businesses, which conduct social card games, and there is currently a moratorium on such gambling activities. He suggested the Council schedule a public hearing on January 3, 2000 for the purpose of extending the moratorium. Councilmember Bartholomew seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

CORRECTED:
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Councilmember Pedersen moved and Councilmember Leighan seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 2307:

An Ordinance of the City of Marysville Relating to the Regulation
of Gambling Activities and the Imposition of Gambling Taxes,
Amending the Provisions of Section 3.92.060 of the Marysville
Municipal Code.

The motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session:

The council adjourned into executive session at 9:19 a.m. to discuss pending litigation.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

Accepted this 3rd day of January, 2000.

THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE

ATTEST:



Dave Weiser, Mayor



Mary Swenson, City Clerk