

**MARYSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

January 22, 2007

7:00 p.m.

City Hall

**CALL TO ORDER / INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Dennis Kendall called the January 22, 2007 meeting of the Marysville City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. There was no invocation. Mayor Kendall 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:** Dennis Kendall

**Council:** Mayor Pro Tem Jon Nehring, Lee Phillips, Carmen Rasmussen, Jeff Seibert, John Soriano, and Jeff Vaughan

**Staff:** Mary Swenson, Chief Administrative Officer; Craig Knutson, City Attorney; Sandy Langdon, Finance Director; Paul Roberts, Public Works Director; Gloria Hirashima, Community Development Director; John Turner, Interim Chief of Police; and Laurie Hugdahl, Recording Secretary.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Soriano, seconded by Councilmember Seibert, to excuse the absence of Councilmember Donna Wright who was out of town on business. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Councilmember Rasmussen reported on the meeting of the **Marysville Parks Advisory Board**. Topics discussed included the following:

- Off-leash dog park design draft
- Presentation by John Jantzen of Wishbone Industries regarding park benches constructed from 100% recycled post-consumer plastics. Benefits of the benches include their durability and resistance to graffiti.
- Reviewed Draft Graffiti Committee recommendation
- Approved Golden Wheels Vintage Race Club Car Show at Ebey Waterfront Park.
- Whiskey Ridge Master Plan discussion
- Father/Daughter dance sold out in just three days

Interim Police Chief Turner and Arlington Police Chief John Gray presented the Police Chiefs' Special Recognition Awards to **Rick Evans, Jeff Sevey and Rafael Martinez** for their heroic response to an Amber Alert on October 19, 2006. Chief Turner and Chief Gray relayed the kidnapping of that day and commended the actions of those three citizens and their company, Thomas Machine and Foundry, for assisting in the safe return of two abducted children to their mother.

**B. Employee Service Award**

**Larry Buell**, Police Officer was presented with a 10-year Service Award by Commander Lamoureux.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**22. Proclamation**

Mayor Kendall read the Proclamation designating January 8-12 as DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America) Week and presented the proclamation to a representative from DECA.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1. Approval of November 27, 2006 City Council Meeting Minutes.**

Councilmember Seibert referred to the third paragraph under item 11 on page 3. He noted that "charging" should be corrected to "raising".

**Motion** made by Councilmember Seibert, seconded by Councilmember Vaughan, to approve the minutes as corrected. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

**2. Approval of December 4, 2006 City Council Work Session Minutes.**

Councilmember Phillips referred to page 2, under Presentations, and noted that he had requested that the final approved plans be presented to Council.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Phillips, seconded by Councilmember Wright, to approve the minutes as amended. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember Phillips asked to remove item 21.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Nehring, seconded by Councilmember Soriano, to approve the following Consent Agenda items 3-16 and 19 as presented:

## 2. Approval of January 8, 2007 City Council Meeting Minutes.

Councilmember Rasmussen referred to her comments on page 6 (*Call on Councilmembers, Carmen Rasmussen, third bullet down*). She clarified that the form the Chamber sent out was, "**regarding proposals to address graffiti abatement.**"

Councilmember Lee Phillips commented that the spelling of his name should be corrected from "**Philips**" to "**Phillips**" on page 4, Item 19.

Councilmember Soriano indicated that he would be abstaining from the vote as he was absent from the January 8 Meeting.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Phillips, seconded by Councilmember Rasmussen, to approve the January 8 Meeting minutes as amended. **Motion** passed unanimously (5-0) with Councilmember Soriano abstaining.

## 3. Approval of January 16, 2007 City Council Work Session Minutes.

Councilmember Phillips indicated that he would be abstaining from the vote as he was absent from the January 16 Work Session.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Vaughan, seconded by Councilmember Soriano, to approve the January 16 Work Session minutes as presented. **Motion** passed unanimously (5-0) with Councilmember Phillips abstaining.

## CONSENT AGENDA

**Motion** made by Councilmember Soriano, seconded by Councilmember Nehring, to approve Consent Agenda items 4-12 as follows:

4. **Approval of January 3, 2007 Claims (Period 13) in the Amount of \$526,521.90; Paid by Check No. 36186 through 36301.**
5. **Approval of January 3, 2007 Claims (Period 1) in the Amount of \$3,923.48; Paid by Check No. 36302 through 36321.**
6. **Approval of January 10, 2007 Claims (Period 1) in the Amount of \$518,859.13; Paid by Check No. 36433 through 36459.**
7. **Approval of January 10, 2007 Claims (Period 13) in the Amount of \$2,155,478.61; Paid by Check No. 35322 through 36432.**
8. **Approval of January 5, 2007 Payroll in the Amount of \$1,121,985.22; Paid by Check No. 17266 through 17344.**

9. **Approval of New Liquor License; Marysville Deli & Video; 922 State Avenue.**
10. **Approval of Berrywoods Phase 2 Final Plat; PA 05053.**
11. **Authorize Mayor to Sign Professional Services Agreement with Jay Group for Design of Jennings Memorial Park Entrance Renovation.**
12. **Authorize Mayor to Sign the Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with Whatcom County for the Northwest Minichain Services.**

Motion passed unanimously (6-0) to approve the Consent Agenda in its entirety.

REVIEW BIDS - None

PUBLIC HEARING - None

CURRENT BUSINESS - None

#### NEW BUSINESS

13. **Approval of Committee Recommendation for Gateway Master Plan.**

Stephanie Lakey of Makers Architecture and Urban Design gave a presentation regarding the Committee Recommendation for Gateway Master Plan as contained in the Council packet. With the addition of a gateway at SR92 and Highway 9 as recommended by the Mayor and Councilmember Seibert there are a total of 11 intersections.

Mary Kirkland, 13004 Hilltop Road, Arlington, owner of Hilton Pharmacy at 4<sup>th</sup> and State and Committee Member.

Ms. Kirkland commented that it was very rewarding to work on the Gateway Committee. She commended the excellent work done by Makers and the good, creative input from community members. She felt that this is a good plan for a phase-in approach and is an important way to set design standards for upcoming developments.

Dorothy Stanton, 5900 – 64<sup>th</sup> Street NE #8, Marysville.

Mrs. Stanton thought that this sounded like a great plan, but she thinks that there should also be signs wishing folks, "Goodbye," and, "Thanks for coming," as they leave the City.

Community Development Director Gloria Hirashima concurred. She explained that some of the signs were designed to be double-sided so they could have messages on the back.

Tom King, 3113 Sunnyside Blvd, City of Marysville Employee

Mr. King commented that he likes all aspects of the plan, but is leery about hanging a banner over the bridge. He discussed the difficulties and liabilities associated with hanging banners over the roadway. He suggested a vertical banner instead.

Gloria Hirashima commented that City Engineer Kevin Nielsen had expressed similar concerns. She noted that the Committee had decided in their final discussions to have something fixed directly to the structure.

Mayor Kendall confirmed that there is room for modification in this plan. Gloria Hirashima affirmed that the plan could be modified or expanded as necessary.

Councilmember Vaughan commented that he was very happy with what the committee, staff and consultants produced. He felt that it is a great plan and will help to create consistency with the City's image.

Councilmember Soriano thanked all involved for their hard work and cooperation on this. He commented that the product is fantastic.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Vaughan, seconded by Councilmember Phillips, to approve the Gateway Plan with the understanding that there may be modifications as needed. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

Mayor Kendall commended all those involved in this project.

## LEGAL

14. **Recovery Contract for Sewer; Robinett Management Company; Willow Park, LLC.**

**Motion** made by Councilmember Nehring, seconded by Councilmember Vaughan, to approve Recovery Contract No. 272. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

## ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

16. **An Ordinance of the City of Marysville Approving Clearwire US LLC's Acceptance of the City's Grant of a Wireless Communication Facility Franchise and Extending the 30-Day Deadline for Submission of Said Acceptance.**

Councilmember Seibert commented that normally the franchise fee is a percentage of the gross revenue amount. He wondered why this is a set fee. City Attorney Knutson explained that that 5% franchise fee for Cable TV does not apply to wireless franchises.

**Motion** made by Councilmember Rasmussen, seconded by Councilmember Seibert, to approve Ordinance No. 2683. **Motion** passed unanimously (6-0).

## **MAYOR'S BUSINESS**

Mayor Kendall announced that:

- He would be giving the State of the City at the Chamber meeting on Friday.
- He will be attending another 100<sup>th</sup> birthday party this weekend.
- Friday afternoon is Commander Winters' retirement celebration.

## **STAFF BUSINESS**

Jim Ballew reminded Council of the 6:30 p.m. Coalition Meeting. He commented that the Healthy Community Subcommittees would be meeting the next three weeks, and then the main group will meet again in March.

Paul Roberts:

- Commented that they have been receiving a lot of calls regarding the surface water change in commercial fees. He encouraged Council to forward calls to Public Works.
- He discussed the damaged 10" forced main along the south side of Sunnyside. He said they have authorized an emergency contract to resolve the problem. The contractor should begin work in the next day or two. They are all moving as quickly as possible.
- He announced that the City received the Gold Award for Engineering Excellence from the American Consulting Engineers for the Lakewood Sewer Extension.

Mary Swenson commented that she had gone to Crystal Tree Village for a meeting regarding traffic congestion. They will continue to educate residents and keep them up to date with a newsletter. She stated that she had two personnel items for Executive Session.

Sandy Langdon announced that they received a facility number for passport issuance. They are planning to have the City Clerk's office issue passports.

Chief Turner discussed the upcoming Public Safety Committee meeting and reminded Council of Commander Winters' retirement celebration on Friday.

## CALL ON COUNCILMEMBERS

Jon Nehring said he was pleased that Mayor Kendall was back. He noted that he would be out of town Monday through Thursday next week on business and requested an excused absence.

Jeff Seibert also was glad that Mayor Kendall was back.

Jeff Vaughan commended Mayor Kendall's previous State of the City addresses and said he was looking forward to this one.

John Soriano said he was glad to see Mayor Kendall back. He also was looking forward to the State of the City address.

Lee Phillips concurred with Councilmember Vaughan. He felt that the PowerPoint presentation really adds to the speech. He then brought up issues that he and other constituents have been having with Waste Management recycling pickups. Sandy Langdon explained that Waste Management has been having issues all around the area due to the weather and the holidays. They thought they would be able to catch up faster than they are. Mary Swenson agreed, but said they would look into it.

Carmen Rasmussen:

- Was very appreciative of the tabs in her packet.
- She thanked Paul Roberts and his crew for taking care of the issue in Sunnyside.
- She requested a discussion of expansion of video surveillance to possibly include the waterfront park. She suggested that joining forces with business owners could result in cost savings for all. Mary Swenson commented that staff is putting together some dollar figures for the video surveillance options. Jeff Seibert cautioned that video surveillance has limitations because people are aware of it and wear disguises.

## INFORMATION ITEMS

15. **Marysville Library Board Minutes; December 14, 2006.**

## ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kendall recessed at 8:16 p.m. into Executive Session which began at 8:20 p.m.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council met in Executive Session at 8:20 p.m. to discuss two personnel issues.

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### ADJOURNMENT

Council reconvened into Regular Session at 8:30 p.m., and seeing no further business, Mayor Kendall adjourned the meeting.

Approved this 12<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2007.

Dennis L. Kendall  
Mayor  
Dennis Kendall

Lillie Lein  
Deputy City Clerk  
Lillie Lein

L. Hugdahl  
Recording Secretary  
Laurie Hugdahl