

COUNCIL



MINUTES

Work Session
November 17, 2008

Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Dennis Kendall called the November 17, 2008 Work Session of the Marysville City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. at Marysville City Hall. 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: Councilmember Jon Nehring, Councilmember Lee Phillips, Councilmember Carmen Rasmussen, Councilmember Jeff Seibert, Councilmember John Soriano, Councilmember Jeff Vaughan and Councilmember Donna Wright

Absent: None

Also Present: Chief Administrative Officer Mary Swenson, Finance Director Sandy Langdon, Police Chief Rick Smith, Community Development Director Gloria Hirashima, Public Works Director Kevin Nielsen, Parks and Recreation Director Jim Ballew, Financial Analyst John Nield, Financial Planning Manager Denise Gritton, John Cowling, Traffic Engineer John Tatum, Senior Planner Chris Holland, Associate Planner Libby Grage, and City Clerk Tracy Jeffries

Committee Reports

Councilmember Seibert reported that there was a Public Works meeting regarding the Transportation Plan that would be presented tonight.

Presentations

Discussion Items

Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of November 10, 2008 City Council Meeting Minutes.
2. Approval of November 17, 2008 City Council Work Session Minutes.

Consent

3. Approval of November 5, 2008 Claims in the Amount of \$1,016,233.82; Paid by Check No.'s 51296 through 51467 with Check No. 50696 Voided.
4. Approval of November 12, 2008 Claims in the Amount of \$1,582,346.18; Paid by Check No.'s 51468 through 51618 with Check No. 50653 Voided.

Action Items

Grant Weed advised Council regarding taking public comment at this work session. He stated that the following action items were open for public comment at the public hearings at the last council meeting. The hearings were closed and therefore it was not appropriate for further public testimony to be taken at this work session.

- 5 An Ordinance of the City of Marysville levying regular taxes upon all property real, personal and utility subject to taxation within the corporate limits of the City of Marysville, Washington for the year 2009 and levying taxes in addition to the regular property tax for payment of debt service on the City's unlimited General Obligation Bonds, 1986 and refunded in 1996.

Motion made by Councilmember Rasmussen, seconded by Councilmember Wright, to approve Ordinance 2750, *Option A – Property taxes 0% Banked 2009*. Mayor Kendall called for a roll call vote. Upon a roll call vote, the **motion** passed (4-3) with Councilmembers Rasmussen, Phillips, Soriano and Wright voting in favor and Councilmembers Vaughan, Seibert and Nehring voting against.

6. An Ordinance of the City of Marysville adopting a budget for the City of Marysville, Washington, for the year 2009, setting forth in summary form the totals of estimated revenues and appropriations for each separate fund and the aggregate totals of all such funds combined, and including the Pay Classification Plan.

Chief Administrative Officer Mary Swenson reviewed the differences between the two budget options. She explained that Option 2 did not include the proposed admissions tax revenues and the expenses had been cut accordingly. She reviewed what had been eliminated and noted that staff is now recommending that Council adopt Option 2 and address the admissions tax as a separate issue at a later date.

Motion made by Councilmember Phillips, seconded by Councilmember Vaughan, to approve Ordinance #2751, *Option 2*. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

New Business

7. Acceptance of the Cedar Crest Vista Pump Replacement Project to Start the 45-Day Lien Filing Period for Project Closeout.

There were no comments or questions regarding this item.

8. Interlocal Agreement for Furnishing Equipment Maintenance/Repair Services with Snohomish County for the period of January 22, 2009 through December 31, 2009.

Mayor Kendall commented that this relates to service for the Fleet and Facilities department for radio repair service for the police vehicles. He noted that the rate has decreased.

9. Professional Services Agreement – Amendment No. 1 with Makers, Inc. for the Civic Center Site Analysis.

Community Development Director Hirashima stated that this is an amendment to the previously approved agreement and will replace the prior agreement. It increases the overall contract amount to \$44,000.

Councilmember Rasmussen asked about the four project sites referred to in the Scope of Work. Mayor Kendall stated that they could discuss this during Executive Session.

10. Lease Agreement with Secure Alert, Inc. to Provide Monitoring Devices for Use in our Alternative to Sentencing Program.

Chief Smith commented that this program is better and would also result in a cost-savings.

11. Edward Springs Well 1 R Project – Change Order No. 3 with Gary Harper Construction, Inc. and Approve an Additional Expenditure on the Contract in the Amount of \$531.58 Including Washington State Sales Tax.

Public Works Director Kevin Nielsen reviewed this project.

12. An Ordinance of the City of Marysville, Washington, Amending Ordinance No. 2569 and the Marysville Growth Management Comprehensive Plan by Approving the 2008 Staff Initiated Amendment Requests No. 1 & 2, Which Amend the Comprehensive Plan's Land Use Map Designations for Urban Growth Area Property in the 4300 Block of 113th Pl. NE from Medium Density Single Family to Low Density Multiple Family and in the 5800 Block of 100th Street NE from Recreation to High Density Single Family, Pursuant to the City's Annual Amendment and Update Process.

Associate Planner Libby Grage reviewed the proposed Staff-initiated Comprehensive Plan Amendments as contained the Council packet.

13. An Ordinance of the City of Marysville, Affirming the Decision of the Hearing Examiner, Rezoning Approximately 3.02-Acres Abutting the Northern Boundary of Gissberg "Twin Lakes" Park from R-12 to Mixed Use, and Amending the Official Zoning Map of the City.

Senior Planner Chris Holland reviewed the proposed rezone and the staff recommendation to approve with conditions. Councilmember Seibert had questions about the road alignment. Senior Planner Holland discussed this.

14. An Ordinance of the City of Marysville, Washington, Amending the Marysville Growth Management Comprehensive Plan, Ordinance No. 2569, as Amended, by Adopting the 2008 City of Marysville Transportation Element as a Sub-Element of the Marysville Comprehensive Plan, Pursuant to the City's Annual Amendment and Update Process.

Kevin Nielson introduced Traffic Engineer John Tatum. Director Nielsen stated that this is the most comfortable he has ever felt with the Transportation Comprehensive Plan. He commended the great job Mr. Tatum has done on this. He also acknowledged the work John Cowling has done on this.

Mr. Tatum gave a PowerPoint presentation to council regarding the Transportation Comprehensive Plan.

Councilmember Rasmussen asked about the next steps regarding plans for five-lane roads. Director Gloria Hirashima responded. There was discussion about this issue.

15. An Ordinance of the City of Marysville, Washington Amending the Marysville Growth Management Comprehensive Plan, the Official Zoning Map, Ordinance No. 2131 and 2569, as Amended, and Title 19 MMC, by Approving 2008 Citizen initiated Amendment Request No. 2 (Wakefield-Lakewood), Which Amends the Comprehensive Plan's Land Use Map Designation for Property Located North of 172nd Street NE (SR 531), West of 27th Avenue NE, Including Properties Located on Either Side of 25th Avenue NE, and Rezones Said Property, from General Commercial to Mixed Use, Pursuant to the City's Annual Amendment and Update Process.

Chris Holland advised Council regarding the Citizen-initiated Amendment.

Councilmember Seibert asked what the restrictions on residential were in the mixed use zone. Mr. Holland explained the differences between residential in mixed use and commercial.

Legal

16. Approval of Second Amendment to 1995 Agreement between the City of Marysville and the Tulalip Tribes to Wheel Water.

Mary Swenson advised Council that the attorneys for the Tribes wanted a couple of changes to the Agreement that was approved by Council in July. Kevin Nielson advised Council on the changes. Councilmember Seibert requested a redlined version of the original Agreement. Staff indicated they would provide this. Grant Weed advised Council.

Mayor's Business

Mayor Kendall:

- He attended the IHOP ribbon-cutting this weekend. IHOP presented a check to the Marysville Food Bank for \$850 and the Arlington Food Bank for the same amount.
- Dog park opening was postponed to December 6th due to the weather.
- He will be leaving town Thursday morning. Mayor Pro Tem Seibert will be in charge.

Staff Business

Jim Ballew:

- Off-leash dog park opening has been moved to December 6th.
- Banners are going up a little early.
- Turkey Chase Fun Run is this weekend
- Skate Park was opened this afternoon after being closed due to graffiti.

Gloria Hirashima had no comments.

Chief Smith just got back from a conference where he attended some gang training sessions. On the last day he attended a session on generational trends.

Sandy Langdon:

- Thanked Council for another budget.
- She was honored to speak at the State Treasurer's retirement last Friday down in Olympia.
- Finance committee meeting scheduled for this Wednesday, but there is only one matter. Councilmembers agreed to continue the meeting to January

Kevin Nielsen:

- Everett's water-off event went well without any problems this weekend. He apologized for the negative press regarding this issue.
- He asked to continue the Public Works committee meeting from December to January.

Grant Weed stated the need for an Executive Session to update Council on five items including three real estate items, one pending litigation and one personnel item

regarding employee qualifications. He estimated that this would take 15-20 minutes with no action expected.

Mary Swenson thanked Sandy and staff for their work on the budget.

Call on Councilmembers

Carmen Rasmussen had no comments.

Donna Wright discussed a recent conference she attended.

Jon Nehring:

- Thanked staff for all the work on budget.
- IHOP's grand opening was great.
- He asked about the political signs still up. There was discussion about the City's policy regarding political signs.
- He has been contacted by a couple of citizens regarding 71st Avenue. There is no stop sign and people often speed on this street. Staff indicated they would look into this.

Jeff Vaughan:

- Welcomed Chief Smith to Generation X.
- He requested information regarding crime prevention funding. Sandy Langdon explained that this was established in 2006 to help recover some of the costs that they had been incurring for damage done to city property. She reviewed the amounts collected and how it has been used. Councilmember Vaughan asked about Council input as to how these funds are spent. CAO Swenson replied that Council could certainly identify how they wanted those funds used. Councilmember Vaughan indicated he would like to look at this issue further.

Lee Phillips:

- Thanked staff for budget work.
- Regarding possible conflict of interest, he stated that he no longer owns or has any interest in Space Station Games.

John Soriano thanked staff for the budget this year.

Jeff Seibert:

- Thanked staff on budget
- He complimented police officers on handling an incident regarding hitting a pole.
- He requested that maps be one page and big enough to read on a PowerPoint.

Mayor Kendall discussed with Council the flight options for attending the Washington DC conference.

Mary Swenson informed Council that they will be looking at some dates for the retreat and it would be nice to have some discussions on goal-setting in order to provide clear guidelines for decision making.

Adjournment

Council recessed at 8:42 p.m. for five minutes before reconvening into Executive Session which was expected to last twenty minutes. Motion made to extend Executive Session twenty additional minutes.


Executive Session

- A. Litigation - 1 pending litigation items
- B. Personnel – 1 item (employee qualifications)
- C. Real Estate - 3 items

Adjournment

Seeing no further business, Mayor Kendall adjourned the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Approved this 24th day of November, 2008.



Mayor
Dennis Kendall



Asst. Admin. Svcs. Director
Tracy Jeffries