

City Council



**1049 State Avenue
Marysville, WA 98270**

**Work Session
Minutes
February 1, 2021**

Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Nehring called the work session to order at 7:00 p.m. and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

CAO Hirashima called the roll.

Mayor: Jon Nehring

Council: Council President Kamille Norton, Councilmember Jeff Vaughan, Councilmember Tom King, Councilmember Mark James, Councilmember Kelly Richards, Councilmember Michael Stevens, Councilmember Steve Muller

Staff: Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Gloria Hirashima, Finance Director Sandy Langdon, Public Works Director Kevin Nielsen, Police Chief Erik Scairpon, Deputy City Attorney Burton Eggertsen, Parks & Recreation Director Tara Mizell, Interim Community Development Director Allan Giffen, Fire Chief Martin McFalls, Human Resources Manager Teri Lester, Information Services Manager Worth Norton, Systems Analyst Mike Davis

Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda moved by Councilmember Muller seconded by Councilmember Richards.

AYES: ALL

Committee Reports

Councilmember Richards reported on the Affordable Housing Alliance meeting. The group is still working on getting an ADU code that works throughout the county.

Councilmember Richards also reported on a Snohomish County Tomorrow meeting where they were reminded of the importance of putting in conduits for future broadband when doing roadwork.

Councilmember King reported on the LEOFF 1 Board meeting where they welcomed a new member. The Board reviewed and approved three claims. Councilmember King also reported on the Snohomish County Tomorrow webinar where Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Director Josh Brown gave an update on traffic and employment in the region.

Councilmember Muller reported on the January 26 Solid Waste Advisory Group for Snohomish County meeting. Snohomish County has started their Comprehensive Plan process so meetings the group will begin meeting every month through June.

Council President Norton reported on the January 28 Public Safety Committee meeting where they discussed the following: Crime stats are down citywide. They received an update on commanders who received new assignments. They received an update on ongoing investigations, jail statistics, and patrol openings.

Councilmember Stevens reported on the Economic Development Committee meeting tonight where they discussed the Mixed Use Zone and Development Regulations. They also received a development update and an update on the NorthPoint development.

Councilmember Muller asked police to address the swatting incident last Thursday. Chief Scairpon indicated he would address it at the end.

Presentations

Approval of Minutes (Written Comment Only Accepted from Audience.)

Consent

1. Approval of the January 20, 2021 Claims in the Amount of \$464,372.91 Paid by EFT Transactions and Check Numbers 145840 through 145904 with Check Number 145547 Voided

Review Bids

2. Consider the 2019 Citywide Highway Safety Improvement Project Contract with X, in the Amount of \$X and Approve a Management Reserve of \$X, for a Total Allocation of \$X. (Bid Opening 02/02)

Director Nielsen explained that the 2019 Citywide Highway Safety Improvement Project is out to bid right now, and bids will be opened on February 2. He reviewed projects that would be included with this.

Public Hearings

New Business

3. Consider the Construction and Maintenance Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish County for the Centennial Trail Connector

Director Nielsen explained this agreement is required because the trail crosses county property.

4. Consider the Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with Gray and Osborne, in the Amount of \$34,500.00

Director Nielsen reviewed this item which will complete the design for two improvements downtown so they can go out to bid.

Councilmember Richards asked if there would be any guardrails added to the water retention areas downtown. Director Nielsen explained that they all meet safety regulations.

Councilmember King asked if the improvements on Cedar would include a marked crosswalk at 3rd and Cedar. Director Nielsen replied there would be a nice intersection with a crosswalk incorporating the Opera House.

5. Consider the Pole Attachment License Agreement for Municipal Entities with Snohomish County PUD No. 1

Director Nielsen explained the need for this renewal agreement to attach meter reading equipment to the PUD poles.

6. Consider the City of Marysville Water Resource Inventory Area (WRIA) 7 Watershed Restoration and Enhancement Committee Representative to Vote to Approve the Final Version of the WRIA 7 Watershed Plan

Director Nielsen explained this is related to watershed planning.

7. Consider the Memorandum of Understanding with Washington State Department of Health for the Washington Violent Death Reporting System

Chief Scairpon explained this is an information-sharing Memorandum of Understanding with the City and the Department of Health. The Police Department is interested in supporting this effort to improve community health outcomes.

8. Consider an Ordinance to Amend MMC Section 11.08.200 Regarding Truck Parking

Director Nielsen explained that this item and the next item (item 9) are necessary to change the truck route to include the 1st Street bypass. The truck parking on 47th also needs to be modified due to the right turn there.

Councilmember Richards suggested marking the truck route on 172nd up by Costco to keep it consistent. Director Nielsen noted that state highways are automatically truck routes, but they could mark it anyway.

9. Consider an Ordinance to Amend MMC Section 11.62.020 Regarding Truck Routes

See item 8.

10. Consider an Ordinance to Amend the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget for an Additional Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator

CAO Hirashima explained this is a budget amendment to allow for the hiring of another Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator. The current operator will be gone on active duty for approximately a year so this is necessary to make sure this important position is covered. Director Nielsen commented that they have been running extremely lean anyway in this department so this is definitely necessary.

Councilmember James asked if they would have three operators after the other operator returns. CAO Hirashima affirmed that they would.

Legal

Mayor's Business

- The Governor lifted the delay on the Connecting Washington projects which is good news.
- He testified at the Senate Transportation Committee meeting last week. The Grove Street overcrossing project is in the package. The City will continue to work to get it into the House package.
- Leah has been sending invitations to Council members for the legislative meetings. Council members should respond to the ones they are able to attend.

Staff Business

Interim Director Giffen commented that they received a large industrial subdivision application from NorthPoint Development for the Smokey Point area for approximately 4 million square feet of development over 15 years. This is currently in the review process. Staff will be bringing a development agreement to the City Council in 2-3 months related to this. Interim Director Giffen also reported that the Planning Commission will be meeting next Tuesday night, February 9, to talk about code amendments relating to mini storage and Enhanced Service Facilities.

Director Nielsen reported there would be a Public Works Committee meeting this Friday.

Chief Scairpon had the following comments.

- He reported on a trio of agreements coming to Council to help get the expansion of mental health services up and running. The agreements are funded by a grant through the State Chiefs and Sheriffs Association and are between the City and Compass Health to provide the mental health professionals, between the City and the State Chiefs and Sheriffs Association to receive the money, and a data sharing agreement to keep track of the interactions they have.
- The Quil Ceda Casino is opening this week. The traffic unit has been working in coordination with Tulalip Police to come up with a traffic mitigation plan.
- School will be starting up again on February 8 for some in-person classes. Two SRO's will also be going back into the school system. A contract related to the SRO officers will be coming to the Council soon.
- He gave an update on the recent swatting incident at a Marysville residence. Officers determined quickly there was no crime occurring at the location. Councilmember Muller asked about typical protocol for these types of situations. Chief Scairpon reviewed this and stressed that the Police Department takes these kind of incidents seriously and work to track down and prosecute those involved. He urged people to be cautious with the kind of information they share online. This type of activity is especially common in online gaming situations. Councilmember Richards suggested putting that reminder out on social media to remind the public that those things can happen. Chief Scairpon agreed that was a good idea and indicated he would look into it.

Director Langdon had no comments.

Director Mizell had no comments.

Chief McFalls informed the Council that the Fire Department is working hard with the other county departments to get as many vaccines as they can. They have gotten about 9,000 vaccinations in arms so far and hope to get 800,000 in by June.

Human Resources Manager Lester reported that the City is looking to fill four vacancies on the Salary Commission.

Deputy City Attorney Eggertsen had no comments.

CAO Hirashima had no comments.

Call on Councilmembers

Councilmember Stevens had no comments.

Councilmember Vaughan had no comments.

Councilmember Muller had no comments.

Councilmember James asked about the term of the Salary Commission. Human Resources Manager Lester replied that the term is three years, and they only meet once a year.

Councilmember Richards asked Director Giffen about the location of the NorthPoint Development. Director Giffen replied that it will be on 51st Avenue NE from 152nd up to Arlington city limits and then east of 51st over to the railroad tracks.

Councilmember King reported the annual toy drive served 1700 kids through 600 families with toys. He thanked Director Mizell for participating and bringing her insight to the Strawberry Festival Board meetings. He also thanked the four recently-retired police officers for their approximately 100 years of law enforcement experience and service to the community.

Council President Norton reminded the Council of the upcoming goal-setting meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2021.

Mayor
Jon Nehring