

COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting October 3, 2006

Mayor Michele Petitti called the regular meeting of the Sammamish City Council to order at 6:30 pm.

Councilmembers present: Mayor Michele Petitti, Deputy Mayor Mark Cross, Councilmembers Jack Barry, Don Gerend, Kathleen Huckabay and Nancy Whitten.

Councilmembers Absent: Councilmember Fellingge.

MOTION: Councilmember Huckabay moved to excuse Councilmember Fellingge. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Staff present: City Manager Ben Yazici, Assistant City Manager Pete Butkus, Public Works Director John Cunningham, Community Development Director Kamuron Gurol, Administrative Services Director Mike Sauerwein, City Attorney Bruce Disend, and City Clerk Melonie Anderson.

Roll Call/Pledge

Roll was called. Student Liaison Jordan Graham led the pledge.

Public Comment

Joe Hochman 23739 SE 34th Street, as a homeowner, business owner and member of the Chamber of Commerce, he is bothered that businesses need to look outside of the city for office space. He asked Council to consider the need for the community to support business owners by housing them in the City. He encouraged the Council to consider re-zone applications that come before them that will increase commercial or mixed-use opportunities.

Jim Barry 1810 203rd Avenue SE, He estimates that 50% of cars run red lights during heavy commute times. He encouraged the Council to consider putting cameras on the stoplights to help with enforcement.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Councilmember Huckabay moved to approve the agenda. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Student Liaison Report

Skyline Student Liaison (*Mik Kurian/Jordan Graham*): The students reported on the fall activities of the high school including football, homecoming and the upcoming parade.

Presentations/Proclamations

- **Transportation Choices** – The presentation was given by Rob Johnson, Regional Policy Director. He updated the Council on the projects Transportation Choices has been working on. (A complete PowerPoint Presentation is available upon request).
- **Sammamish Commons Sculpture Competition**
Arts Commission Members Kent Greene, Daphne Robinson and Barbara Jirsa made the presentation to the City Council. The Council had previously approved \$100,000 budget for the sculpture. The commission issued a Call to Artists and received thirteen submissions. The Commission then recruited a jury to make the final three selections and a final recommendation to the Council. (A handout with additional information is available upon request of the City Clerk).

Consent Agenda

Payroll for pay period ending September 15, 2006 for pay date September 20, 2006 in the amount of \$192,630.80

Approval: Claims for period ending October 3, 2006 in the amount of \$2, 125, 548.10 For Check No.16348 through Check No.16464

Resolution: Final Acceptance of Phase II Renovation of Pine Lake Fire Station #81 as complete

Contract: Sports Turf Aeration & Top Dressing/Northwest Landscaping, Inc.

MOTION: Councilmember Whitten moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Huckabay seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

New Business

Resolution: Approving The Sammamish Arts Commission's Selection Of A Sculpture For Sammamish Commons

MOTION: Councilmembers Whitten, Barry, Gerend and Mayor Petitti voted for the glass sculpture. Deputy Mayor Cross and Huckabay voted for the metal piece. Council expressed a preference for the steps around the base as opposed to benches.

Public Hearing

Ordinance, Amending Title 14A, Including Amending Chapter 14A.05 Definitions, And Adding A New Chapter 14A.XX Authorizing The Collection Of Impact Fees For Parks And Recreational Facilities; Providing Findings; Providing For The Time Of Payment; Providing Exemptions And Credits; Providing For The Appeal Of Fees And Other Determinations; Providing For The Establishment Of Impact Fee Accounts, Refunds, And

The Use Of Funds; Providing For Reviews And Annual Adjustment Of Fee Schedules; Providing The Schedules For Impact Fees And Authorizing Independent Fee Calculations; And Providing For Certain Other Matters In Connections Therewith (90 minutes)

Planning Commission Chair Bob Conger and Community Development Director Kamuron GuroI gave the staff report. Although public testimony will be taken tonight, staff is recommending continuing the public hearing to November 7, 2006 so the Planning Commission can continue their work on the transportation impact fees. The impact fee has been set at \$2,681 for single family and \$1,549 for multifamily. There is some exemption for affordable housing. Mr. GuroI explained that these impact fees are used for park system improvements and do not alleviate the requirement for open space within plats. The ordinance would also give credit to any developer that substantially improves a park system that is in the Capital Facilities Plan.

In addition the Council will be considering amendments to the Comprehensive Plan as they affect both Parks and Transportation Capital Facilities Plan. The Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan will also be brought forward to Council before the budget is adopted.

Public Hearing opened at 8:23 pm

Tim Atterbury, 335 116th Avenue SE, Bellevue, representing the Master Builders. He offered different examples of ways the city could improve their park system without using park impact fees. One way is to take any park improvements directly to the voters. Another way is to pass a park bond levy. This spreads the cost out to all taxpayers and not just builders.

Public Hearing was continued to November 7, 2006 at 8:28 pm.

Council recessed from 8:30 pm to 8:48 pm.

Unfinished Business-None

New Business

Contract: Audio Visual Equipment/ Rushworks Toastmaster

Communications Manager Tim Larson gave the staff report. This request is for the approval to buy fixed video cameras for the Council Chamber. The cost is \$36,000. The system will be operated by one person.

MOTION: Councilmember Gerend moved to authorize the City Manager to purchase the equipment for Rushworks as a sole source provider. Councilmember Huckabay seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Councilmember Reports

Councilmember Huckabay reported on a meeting held by the 5th District Democrats regarding various initiatives that are going to be on the upcoming ballot.

Deputy Mayor Cross requested a meeting be scheduled between a company called Clear Picture and the Technology committee. This company is going to provide wireless technology to the city. He also requested that comments on the impact fees be burned to cd instead of making paper copies. He is also concerned with the type of light structures that are going in at Ebright Creek. He would like Council to consider an amendment to the lighting standards.

Councilmember Barry attended the Washington Environmental Roundtable. He feels that the way growth is being allocated in the urban boundary is not solving the problems it was created to solve.

Councilmember Gerend also attended the same conference. Many state legislators attended the roundtable and they were looking for alternative solutions to the growth and transportation problems. He attended a talk given by the former Mayor of Bogotá Columbia. He is hoping to get a copy of the video tape for our local Channel 21.

Councilmember Whitten will attend the Suburban Cities Policies Issues Committee next week. They will also be discussing growth allocation.

Mayor Petitti attended the Puget Sound Regional Committee Board meeting last week. She attended the Growth Hearings Board meeting. She attended the Open House for Spiritwood Assisted Living facility.

Manager Report –

- *Town Center Update:* Mr. Gurol handed out an updated timeline and explained that there will be a Town Center meeting scheduled between the Town Center Committee, Planning Commission and City Councilmembers on October 12. There are two bus tours scheduled for October 20 and October 27. It will be necessary to extend the deadline for an additional six months because steps have been added along the process and staff is trying to be realistic in projecting timelines based on prior experience.
- *Section 36 Update:* The draft agreement is finalized. It will not be necessary to short plat the piece of property that will be transferred to the City. The goal is to get King County authorized for the transfer sometime in November.
- *IAC Grant:* The city received a \$700,000 grant to be applied to the Beaver Lake Preserve. The City will begin negotiations with property owners soon.

Executive Session –Potential Litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)(A) and Real Estate pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1) (c)

Council retired to Executive Session at 9:56 pm and returned at 10:30 pm. No action was taken.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 pm

Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Michele E. Petitti, Mayor