



AGENDA

Legislative Committee Regular Meeting

1:00 PM - Friday, April 20, 2018

City Hall Executive Briefing Room - Plaza 111, Sammamish, WA

Page		Estimated Time
	CALL TO ORDER	1:00 pm
	ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON	
	PUBLIC COMMENT	1:05 pm
	APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES	1:15 pm
3 - 5	1. October 18, 2017 Regular Meeting View Minutes	
	TOPICS	1:20 pm
6	2. Lobbyist Discussion View Agenda Item	
	FUTURE MEETING TOPICS	1:45 pm
	TBD	
	NEXT MEETING DATE(S)	1:55 pm
	TBD	
	ADJOURNMENT	2:00 pm

Public Comment Guidelines:

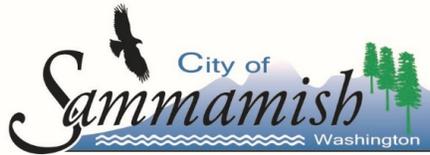
This is an opportunity for the public to address the Committee. Three (3) minutes are granted per person, or five (5) minutes if representing the official position of a recognized community organization.

If you are submitting written material, please supply a minimum of seven (7) copies (three (3) for the Committee; three (3) for Staff; one (1) for the record). If you would like to show a video or give a presentation, please contact Tammy Mueller (tmueller@sammamish.us; 425-295-0514) to determine whether the meeting room is equipped to accommodate your needs. Digital files must be submitted or emailed by 5:00pm the day prior to the meeting to Tammy Mueller.

Please be aware that all materials submitted will become part of the public record.

Meeting Accessibility:

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Meeting Minutes
City of Sammamish Legislative Committee
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, October 18, 2017 – 3:00 p.m.
City Manager's Office 118

City Manager Lyman Howard commenced the meeting at 3:08 p.m., providing an overview of meeting's purpose (to approve a draft of the 2018 Sammamish Legislative Priorities) and summarizing the outcome of the previous Legislative Committee meeting discussing the 2017 Legislative Priorities.

Committee Members Present: Bob Keller, Mayor
 Don Gerend, Councilmember
 Ramiro Valderrama-Aramayo, Councilmember

Staff Present: Lyman Howard, City Manager – Staff Lead
 Jessi Bon, Deputy City Manager
 Tammy Mueller, Administrative Assistant

City of Sammamish Legislative Priorities for 2018

City Manager Howard provided an overview to the Committee of the handout materials: the SCA 2018 Legislative Agenda – Potential Future Action Items ([link](#)), the AWC 2018 Legislative Priorities ([link](#)), and the approved City of Sammamish Legislative Priorities for 2017 (Resolution No. R2017-711) ([link](#)). Discussion commenced.

a. Timing of Adoption Vote

The Committee recommended that the current City Council prepare the draft of the 2018 Legislative Priorities to help give the new City Council a running start on the item.

- Staff proposed adding the item to the December 12, 2017 study session agenda.

b. AWC 2018 Legislative Priorities

The Committee recommended including the AWC 2018 Legislative Priorities as part of the 2018 Sammamish Legislative Priorities draft. A recommendation was also made to include that the State designate funds to cities to assist with culvert replacement projects.

- The Committee requested that Staff obtain the full list of AWC's 2018 priorities from Director Williams at AWC.

c. SCA 2018 Legislative Agenda

The Committee recommended to include the draft SCA 2018 Legislative Agenda as part of the 2018 Sammamish Legislative Priorities draft.

- The Committee requested that Staff obtain clarification from SCA regarding whether the following excerpt on page 24 under the "Addressing the Housing and Homelessness Crisis" section is regarding the reimbursement of the State's share of sales tax or the City's: "...allow for sales tax reimbursement to cities for construction of affordable housing...".

d. 2018 Sammamish Legislative Priorities – changes from 2017

The Committee reviewed the 2017 Legislative priorities and made recommendations for 2018 updates.

- Replace the 2017 AWC and SCA priorities with the 2018 priorities
- Add a priority of obtaining state funding for culvert and road renovation and repair.
 - The Committee requested that Staff obtain a list of the committee in charge of the culverts from Director Williams of AWC.
- Other priorities were also discussed:
 - The Committee proposed working with Sound Transit to provide better service to Sammamish.
 - Work more closely with the City of Redmond toward transportation and infrastructure policy and solutions.
 - Collaborate with King County to make repairs to jointly-owned infrastructure such as Sahalee Way and 244th.
 - Combine with report on status of study on SR 202
 - Suggested wording of priority: “Support funding for the recommendations that are part of the outcome of the SR 202 study”
 - Obtain letters of support from surrounding cities (i.e. Duvall)

e. 2018 Master Builders Association Legislative Agenda

Councilmember Gerend provided a booklet which he obtained from the October 17, 2017 Master Builders Association (MBA) Housing Summit ([link](#)) and provided the Committee a recap of the meeting. The Committee then discussed the MBA 2018 Legislative Agenda items.

- Councilmember Gerend requested that Staff obtain Elliot Eisenberg’s presentation from the MBA conference.
- The Committee disagreed with the following MBA 2018 Legislative Priorities:
 - “Short Plats”
 - Would circumvent the subdivision process, allowing up to 30 plats (currently 9) under the simpler and less expensive short-plat process.
 - “Minimum Net Urban Density”
 - “Simple Majority for School Bond Measures”
 - The Super Majority was preferred over Simple Majority.
 - “Minimum Single-Family Residence Requirement”
 - Sammamish already exceeds the minimum.
- The Committee did not make a decision on whether to include the following in the 2018 Sammamish Legislative Priorities:
 - “Modify Completeness Review Code”
 - “Implement SB 5254”
 - “Implement Housing Affordability Response Team Recommendations”
- The Committee discussed the proposed “Implement Vesting of Local Permits” and will follow-up with Community Development Director Jeff Thomas for additional input.
- The Committee agreed it would be worthwhile to consider the “Condominium Liability Reform”, though did not come to a consensus on whether it should be a 2018 priority or a future priority.

- The Committee agreed that the “Fee Simple Townhouse Codes” would be worth exploring, though would like to determine what changes would be necessary to the current fee simple codes, if any.

f. Bellevue / Metro Proposed Changes to RCW

Councilmember Gerend reported to the Committee that Bellevue’s Steve Marshall emailed him regarding proposed changes to RCW 35.58.245 and RCW 46.72.150 regarding shared use of transit facilities. Councilmember Gerend had inquired Mr. Marshall for further details.

- The Committee requested that state legislators along with AWC and SCA be contacted about this issue.

g. 2018 Sammamish Legislative Priorities – Committee’s Decisions on Draft

The Committee agreed that the following should comprise the 2018 Sammamish Legislative Priorities:

- Retain the following:
 - “Support Liquor Tax Restoration” priority and add a marijuana tax expansion
 - “Support Legislation to ensure reliable cost recovery for upfront SEPA Work”
 - “Support for the Public Works Assistance Account (Trust Fund)”
 - “Annexation of Areas having Park Districts”
 - “Reduce Unfunded Mandates”
- Modify the following:
 - “Support for the Marketplace Fairness Act (eFairness)”
 - Include more up-to-date information based on decisions at the Federal level
 - “Transportation Funding Addressing City Transportation Needs”
 - Add culverts and support for projects associated with the SR 202 study.
 - Update the AWC Adopted and City Supported section as discussed previously
- Remove the following:
 - “Support Funding of State’s Housing Trust Fund”
 - “Support Increased Access to Local Educational Opportunities”

Staff will prepare a draft of the 2018 Sammamish Legislative Priorities based on the recommendations above and submit to the Committee for approval at a later date.

Future Meeting Topics:

- 2018 Sammamish Legislative Priorities – draft review and approval

Next Meeting Date:

TBD

Meeting Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

Lobbyist Services Budgets-2017

	Redmond	Kirkland	Bellevue	Shoreline	Mercer Island	Issaquah
Outcomes by Levy (Doug Levy)	\$74,000					\$60,000
Waypoint Consulting Group		\$60,000				
Gordon, Thomas, Honeywell Government Affairs (Briahna Murray)			\$68,000			
Capitol Strategies (state lobbying contract)				\$20,000 - \$30,000		
The Johnston Group (federal lobbying contract)				\$56,000		
Washington2Advocates (Tony Williams)					*See note	

* Mercer Island doesn't contract for lobbying services with one exception. During negotiations with Sound Transit in 2015-2017, they hired Tony to help navigate the complexities surrounding Mercer Island's access to the I-90 HOV lanes.