

COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting September 15, 2015

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

Councilmembers present:

Mayor Tom Vance
Deputy Mayor Kathy Huckabay (left at 9:33 pm)
Councilmember Don Gerend
Councilmember Bob Keller
Councilmember Tom Odell
Councilmember Ramiro Valderrama
Councilmember Nancy Whitten

Staff present:

Ben Yazici, City Manager
Jeff Thomas, Community Development Director
Jessi Bonn, Parks & Recreation Director
Evan Maxim, Senior Planner
Mike Sugg, Management Analyst
Tim Larson, Communications Manager
Mike Kenyon, City Attorney
Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

Roll was called. Councilmember Keller led the pledge.

Mayor Vance asked for a moment of silence for Adm. Stanley Bump, long time community volunteer and Michael Raymond Vandenberg, Eastside Fire & Rescue firefighter.

Approval of Agenda and the Consent Agenda

Councilmember Valderrama asked to remove the authorization to purchase vehicles for Klahanie maintenance from the Consent Agenda. He wondered if these new vehicles would require additional city employees. The item was not pulled from Consent Agenda.

MOTION: Councilmember Keller moved to approve the agenda including the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Presentations/Proclamations

- Klahanie Transition Committee Update
Communications Manager Tim Larson showed a PowerPoint presentation (available on the city's website at www.sammamish.us).

Public Comment

Tom Hornish, 1237 E Lake Sammamish Shore Lane SE, Spoke regarding the process the Council follows for Public Comment.

Johan Wictor, 408 208th Avenue NE, Spoke regarding drainage and stormwater issues around his property.

Mary Wictor, 408 208th Avenue NE, Spoke regarding the increasing development around her property, which contributes to drainage issues.

Sanjana Sridhar, 20533 NE 23rd Court, She represents Eastlake High School as a member of Sustainability Ambassadors. This non-profit group's mission is to empower youth to promote sustainability. The Student to Student Sustainability Summit will be October 8, at the International School in Kirkland.

Tom Hornish, spoke previously, He requested copies of the Hearing Examiner Semi Annual Report.

Consent Agenda

- Payroll for period ending August 31, 2015 for pay date September 4, 2015 in the amount of \$ 339,218.95

Approval: Claims For Period Ending September 15, 2015 In The Amount Of \$629,294.84 For Check No. 41349 Through 41462

Resolution: Authorizing The Mayor To Sign The King County-Cities Climate Collaboration (K4c) Joint Letter Of Commitment On Behalf Of The City Of Sammamish

Authorization to Hire: Project Engineer

Authorization to Purchase: Klahanie Maintenance vehicle and equipment purchase

Contract: Interim Public Works Director/Prothman

Committee Reports

Councilmember Odell reported on the Transportation Committee. They discussed the Sahalee Way project.

Councilmember Keller reported on the Eastside Fire & Rescue Board meeting.

Councilmember Huckabay reported on the Eastside Fire & Rescue Finance Committee meeting. She also reported on the Regional Transit Committee.

Public Hearings

Ordinance: Continuance of Public Hearing Amending Chapters 21A.15, 21A.35 And 23.100, As Well As Establishing A New Chapter 21A.37 Of The Sammamish Municipal Code Pertaining To Trees Regulations And Civil Code Compliance; Providing For Severability; And Establishing An Effective Date

Community Development Director Jeff Thomas and Evan Maxim, Senior Planner gave the staff report. Council was presented with a list of proposed changes (see table 1-15 - attached. Please see the videotape for complete discussion <https://www.sammamish.us/tools/VideoPlayer.aspx?eventID=3352>).

Council recessed from 9:01 pm to 9:15 pm

Public Hearing opened at 9:16 pm

Public Comment

Nancy Anderson, 26657 SE 31st Street, She is concerned that what Council passes into regulation regarding tree retention is not necessarily what the residents would like.

Christie Malchow, 20920 SE 8th Place, She feels it is important to consider percentage of trees removed over number of trees.

Susan Haas, 19524 SE 24th Place, She submitted written comments with proposed changes to the regulations (available upon request of the City Clerk).

David Hoffman, Master Builders Association, He pointed out that these new regulations are significantly more restrictive than the previous regulations. They may make it impossible for developers to meet the replacement requirements. He would like to see street trees counted in the overall requirements.

Public Hearing was continued to October 6, 2015, at 9:33 pm.

Council continued discussing the amendment table (see attached table #16-29 - attached. Please see meeting video for complete discussion <https://www.sammamish.us/tools/VideoPlayer.aspx?eventID=3352>).

MOTION Councilmember Odell moved to extend the meeting to 11:00 pm. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion carried 4-2 with Councilmember Whitten and Valderrama dissenting.

Unfinished Business - None

New Business

Contract: Klahanie Annexation Census/Census Services

MOTION: Councilmember Odell moved to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Census Services in an amount not to exceed \$70,000. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion carried

unanimously 6-0.

Council Reports

Council authorized the Mayor to sign a letter in support of Puget Sound Energy studying the effects of reducing coal energy usage. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Councilmember Whitten express concern with the meeting schedule of the last several months.

Councilmember Gerend reported that the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) awarded state legislative Champions. He suggested sending a congratulatory letter to all of the legislators that were honored.

Councilmember Valderrama is seeking a date when the Council will be meeting with King County Council regarding the trail. He also thanked Councilmember Whitten for her thorough review of the tree retention ordinance.

Councilmember Odell asked to cancel several future Council meetings.

City Manager Report

City Manager Yazici asked if the Council will be able to start the October 6, 2015 meeting at 3:30 pm. Meeting adjourned at 10:44 pm

Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Thomas E. Vance, Mayor