



MINUTES

City Council Regular Meeting

6:30 PM - June 2, 2020

City Hall Council Chambers, Sammamish, WA

Mayor Karen Moran called the regular meeting of the Sammamish City Council to order at 6:30 p.m.

Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Karen Moran
Deputy Mayor Christie Malchow
Councilmember Jason Ritchie
Councilmember Kent Treen
Councilmember Chris Ross
Councilmember Ken Gamblin
Councilmember Pam Stuart

All Councilmembers attended via Go To Meeting

Staff Present:

Interim City Manager David Rudat
Interim Director of Parks, Recreation & Facilities Anjali Myer
Interim Director of Public Works Cheryl Paston
City Engineer Andrew Zagars
Sr. Management Analyst Mike Sugg
Community Services Coordinator Rita Badh
Emergency Manager Andrew Stevens
Police Chief Dan Pingrey
Recreation Manager Chris Jordan
Assistant City Attorney Lisa Marshall
City Clerk Melonie Anderson

ROLL CALL

Roll was called.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mike Sugg, Management Analyst, led the pledge.

COVID-19 UPDATE

Emergency Management Update - Andrew Stevens, Emergency Manager

Andrew Stevens, Emergency Manager gave the staff report. He reported new cases of COVID-19 continue to rise, with the United States leading in numbers.

Human Services Update - Rita Badh, Community Services Coordinator

Ms Badh reported on the Human Services providers and the services they are providing. More useful numbers regarding the impact COVID-19 has had on services will be provided after the 2nd Quarter invoices are submitted.

Parks & Recreation Update: Phased Reopening Plan for Parks and Rental Facilities

Anjali Meyer gave the staff report. She explained the several stages of reopening the parks as it relates to the COVID-19 virus.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Christie Malchow moved to approve the proposed phased plan for opening parks and City facilities with the additions of opening the parking lot at Beaver Lake on the waterfront side, allowing fishing from the shore at Sammamish Landing and Beaver Lake Park and additional signage about drinking water at the dog park. Councilmember Jason Ritchie seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

MOTION: Councilmember Pam Stuart moved to allow fishing at Beaver Lake and Landing from the beaches but not the dock. Deputy Mayor Christie Malchow seconded. Motion carried 6-1 with Mayor Karen Moran dissenting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Councilmember Pam Stuart moved to amend the agenda to add an additional topic to discuss giving direction to Interim City Manager to come back with current policies and recommendations to ensure reducing bias, improving diversity in hiring, and other training and community programs to improve diversity and inclusion in staff, commissions, boards, and other contractors, etc. thus improving social justice. Councilmember Jason Ritchie seconded. Motion carried 5-2 with Councilmember Kent Treen and Councilmember Ken Gamblin dissenting.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Christie Malchow moved to amend the agenda to add two separate items, a proclamation of emergency for civil unrest and authorize the Interim City Manager to appoint Police Chief Dan Pingrey as Acting City Manager from Wednesday June 3 to Sunday June 7, 2020. Councilmember Pam Stuart seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Christie Malchow moved to place the Emergency Proclamation and the appointment of Chief Pingrey to follow the Proclamations. Councilmember Chris Ross seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Christie Malchow moved to approve the agenda as amended Councilmember Chris Ross seconded. Motion carried 5-2 with Councilmember Kent Treen and Councilmember Ken Gamblin dissenting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mary Wictor, gave public testimony regard the Public Hearing for the Six Year Transportation Plan.

John Merlino, stated that he is available to answer question on the final plat of Paxton Place

CONSENT CALENDAR

Payroll: For the Period Ending May 15, 2020 For a Pay Date of May 20, 2020 in the Amount of \$451,345.58.

Claims: For Period Ending June 2, 2020 In The Amount Of \$2,937,838.81 For Check No. 57070 Through 57185.

Resolution: Granting Final Plat Approval for Gabrielle's Lane Subdivision (R2020-882)

Resolution: Granting Final Plat Approval Of Paxton Place Subdivision (R2020-883)

Resolution: Accepting The 228th Avenue Catch Basin Repairs Project As Complete (R2020-884)

~~**Approval:** Contract Amendment Traffic Model Audit / Transportation Solutions, Inc.~~

Minutes: For the May 19, 2020 Regular Meeting

MOTION: Councilmember Jason Ritchie moved to approve the consent agenda as amended. Councilmember Pam Stuart seconded. Motion carried 6-1 with Councilmember Kent Treen dissenting.

Councilmember Stuart requested to remove item 9 - Contract Amendment/SCI and place under it directly following Presentations/Proclamations.

PRESENTATIONS / PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamation: Declaring the City Sammamish Stands Together Against All Discrimination, Including Racial Violence and Harassment

Deputy Mayor Malchow read the proclamation.

Proclamation: COVID-19 Day of Mourning
Councilmember Stuart read the proclamation.

Approval: Contract Amendment Traffic Model Audit / Transportation Solutions, Inc.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Christie Malchow moved to approve the contract amendment for the Traffic Model Audit/Transportation Solutions, Inc. Councilmember Ken Gamblin seconded. Motion carried 5-2 with Councilmember Jason Ritchie and Councilmember Pam Stuart dissenting.

Approval: Proclamation of emergency for civil unrest

Interim City Manager Dave Rudat read the emergency proclamation. Mr. Rudat felt this proclamation is necessary due to the current situation. This proclamation will allow the City to put a impose a curfew if necessary, among other actions.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Christie Malchow moved to authorize the emergency proclamation. Councilmember Kent Treen seconded. Motion carried 5-2 with Councilmember Jason Ritchie and Councilmember Pam Stuart dissenting.

Approval: Appoint Police Chief Dan Pingrey as Acting City Manager from Wednesday June 3 to Sunday June 7, 2020.

MOTION: Councilmember Kent Treen moved to authorize Interim City Manager Dave Rudat, to appoint Police Chief Pingrey as Acting City Manager during his absence from June 3 until June 7, 2020. Deputy Mayor Christie Malchow seconded. Motion carried 6-1 with Councilmember Jason Ritchie dissenting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Resolution: Adopting An Updated Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan For 2021-2026

Cheryl Paston, Interim Public Works Director gave the staff report. Andrew Zagars, City Engineer was available to answer questions.

Public Hearing opened at 9:23 pm. There was no public comment. Public Hearing was extended to June 23, 2020.

Councilmember Gamblin requested clarification about which projects on the TIP will be considered when conducting concurrency tests. Ms. Paston said she would provide this information tomorrow.

Deputy Mayor Malchow would like to see an additional project on Sahalee including curb, sidewalks and gutters on the TIP.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Christie Malchow moved to extend the meeting to 11:00 pm. Councilmember Kent Treen seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Approval: Updates to the City Council Meeting Schedule

Mike Sugg gave the staff report.

MOTION: Councilmember Kent Treen moved to approve the suggested changes to the Council meeting schedule to allow Council to catch up on the work plan and accommodate budget discussions. Deputy Mayor Christie Malchow seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Discussion: Business Recovery Task Force

Councilmember Ross explained the reasons behind forming this Task Force. The task force will develop strategies to help business reopen. The Task Force will report back to the City Council for approval.

Council was generally in agreement with this idea. Mayor Moran and Councilmember Ross will work on answering the questions they raised today.

Discussion: To direction to Interim City Manager to come back with current policies and recommendations to ensure reducing bias, improving diversity in hiring, and other training and community programs to improve diversity and inclusion in staff, commissions, boards, and other

contractors, etc. thus improving social justice.

This item was added to the agenda at Councilmember Stuart's request.

MOTION: Councilmember Pam Stuart moved to direct the Interim City Manager to assess all of the training and processes that the City has regarding dealing with bias, improving diversity in hiring, and other training and community programs to improve diversity and inclusion in staff, commissions, boards, and other contractors, etc. thus improving social justice. He will come back to Council at a later date with this list.

After further discussion the motion was amended to direct the City Manager to only bring back a list of the policies and procedures the City currently has in place or whatever might exist in State Law. Councilmember Jason Ritchie seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Christie Malchow moved to amend the motion to ask the City Manager to bring back a list of the policies and procedures the City currently has in place or whatever might exist in State Law. Councilmember Ken Gamblin seconded. Motion carried 6-1 with Councilmember Pam Stuart dissenting.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Christie Malchow moved to extend to 11:20 pm Councilmember Ken Gamblin seconded. Motion carried 6-1 with Councilmember Kent Treen dissenting.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Christie Malchow moved to extend to 11:45 pm Councilmember Kent Treen seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Christie Malchow moved to move to extend 12:45 am. Councilmember Pam Stuart seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

COUNCIL REPORTS/ CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mayor Moran reported that the Eastside Fire & Rescue FAC committee met.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council adjourned to Executive Session at 11:10 pm and returned at 12:35 am. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:35 am.

MOTION: Councilmember Pam Stuart moved to adjourn. Councilmember Ken Gamblin seconded. Motion carried 6-1 with Councilmember Kent Treen dissenting.

Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Karen Moran, Mayor

Proclamation Declaring the City Sammamish Stands Together Against All Discrimination, Including Racial Violence and Harassment

WHEREAS the United States is founded on the principles that all persons, regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, creed, or ethnicity, should be treated with dignity, respect, compassion and justice,

WHEREAS we have witnessed the mistreatment of people of color while in police custody, resulting in death and tragedy for the ir families, communities, and the nation,

WHEREAS on May 25, 2020, George Floyd died in Minneapolis, Minnesota shortly after his arrest in which an officer kneeled on his neck for 8 minutes and 46 seconds; and neither the officer nor any of the other arresting officers heeded Mr. Floyd's request for help when he stated he could not breathe,

WHEREAS the nation is grappling with the pandemic caused by COVID-19, and there is misinformation and a false narrative being pushed by certain persons that blame China and Chinese people for its spread,

WHEREAS there has been an increase in anti-Asian violence nationwide, with reports of assault, verbal abuse, and discrimination against persons of Asian descent,

WHEREAS the City of Sammamish is a tolerant and peaceful community which values diversity, equality, justice, and human rights for all,

WHEREAS the City of Sammamish as stewards for public safety recognizes the right for peaceful and safe protest,

WHEREAS the City of Sammamish has a close working relationship with the Sammamish Chief of Police, Daniel Pingrey, and are confident Chief Pingrey and his officers share the same values around equality and justice.

WHEREAS the City of Sammamish is committed to creating an environment where all employees, contractors, elected officials, and commission members uphold and reflect these values of equality and justice.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Sammamish stands in unity with the nation in its demand for racial justice and an end to all forms of racial violence.



Karen Moran

Mayor Karen Moran

6/2/2020

Date



SAMMAMISH CITY COUNCIL DECLARES DAY OF MOURNING FOR RESIDENTS LOST TO COVID-19

WHEREAS, our nation has passed a grim point in our history: 100,000 Americans have died from COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, with the rapid spread of the virus, the scope of its impact, and its mitigation through social distancing, we have not been given the time or space to mourn, lament, and remember those whose lives have been taken by the virus; and

WHEREAS, it has been impossible to bury our dead as people have for thousands of years — communally and intimately with friends, family, and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, as individuals, residents of our City, and collectively as a nation, we need time to stop, reflect, pray, mourn, and honor the dead; and

WHEREAS, to meet this need, religious communities across faiths are acting in unity, gathering together safely to mourn, memorialize, and remember the lives of those we have lost, both in our diverse faith traditions and in our public squares, and to pray for the healing of our nation; and

WHEREAS, June 1, 2020 was a National Day of Mourning and Lament, to pause, reflect, pray, mourn and honor all those we have lost and, looking forward, to focus on repairing the injustices the pandemic has so painfully revealed,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, by the Mayor of the City of Sammamish on behalf of the City Council, At the June 2, 2020 City Council Regular Meeting there will be a one minute moment of silence to pause, reflect, pray, mourn and honor all those we have lost in the City of Sammamish and to consider how we may comfort all those they have left behind.



Karen Moran
Mayor Karen Moran

6/2/2020
Date