

COUNCIL MINUTES

Special Meeting October 13, 2015

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

Councilmembers present:

Mayor Tom Vance
Deputy Mayor Kathy Huckabay
Councilmember Don Gerend
Councilmember Bob Keller
Councilmember Tom Odell
Councilmember Ramiro Valderrama
Councilmember Nancy Whitten

Staff present:

Ben Yazici, City Manager
Lyman Howard, Deputy City Manager
Jeff Thomas, Community Development Director
Joe Guinasso, Finance and Technical Services Director
Beth Goldberg, Director of Administrative Services
Mike Kenyon, City Attorney
Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

Roll was called. Councilmember Odell led the pledge.

Approval of Agenda

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

Public Comment - None

Public Hearing

Ordinance: Third Reading: Repealing The Sammamish Comprehensive Plan; Adopting The 2015 Sammamish Comprehensive Plan; Providing For Severability; And Establishing An Effective Date

Director of Community Development Jeff Thomas gave the staff report and answered questions regarding the Comprehensive Plan. He presented four staff recommended items for the Council to consider tonight:

1. As directed by City Council on September 14, amend the vision statement to include the phrase “and meets housing affordability through balanced, sustainable housing” as it was missed being added to the October 1 clean copy.

“Sammamish is a vibrant bedroom community blessed with a well-preserved natural environment, a family-friendly, kid-safe culture, and unrivaled connectedness. From its expanding tree canopy, to its peaceful neighborhoods, to its multi-modal transportation resources, Sammamish captures the best of the past even as it embraces a burgeoning digital future and meets housing affordability through balanced, sustainable housing. It is a state-of-the-art community—engaged, responsive and generous in its support for the full range of human endeavor.”

2. Add the acronyms “UGA” Urban Growth Area and “PAA” Planned Annexation Area.
3. Direct staff to reconcile as necessary all maps in volumes 1 and 2 to include the Klahanie PAA as part of the City of Sammamish.
4. Direct staff to reconcile as necessary volume 2 transportation maps to match corresponding text.

Public Hearing opened at 6:43 pm

Public Comment

Mark Cross, He commented that it will be important to keep track of concurrency and update the growth targets based on current population. The City should also consider providing their own transportation options.

Public Hearing closed at 6:47 pm

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Huckabay moved to approve the 2015 Comprehensive Plan, including previous amendments (1-4 above), provide for severability and establish an effective date and to be subsequently modified by staff for minor grammatical and wordsmithing amendments, prior to filing with the Washington State Department of Commerce. Councilmember Odell seconded.

AMENDMENT: Councilmember Whitten moved to adopt the following minor amendments (changes are shown in underline and strikethrough):

EC2.3 – no change

EC3.8 – no change

EC 3.9 – no change

EC3.14 – Change to read “Avoidance and minimization measures should reflect the least harmful and most reasonable alternatives and should provide appropriate mitigation, maintenance and monitoring sufficient to provide lasting protection of affected wetland ecosystem functions”

EC5.9 Protect, preserve and enhance lakes, rivers and streams for their hydraulic, hydrologic, ecological, aesthetic, recreational and other protected functions and values.

EC5.13 – Such conditions may include the limitation of the volume of discharge from the subject property to predevelopment levels or preservation and improvement of water quality, preservation of wetlands or other natural drainage features, or other controls necessary to protect ~~against the community hazard.~~

EC5.30 – For the Lake Sammamish drainage basin, require standards to achieve 50% or better phosphorus removal for all new development. ~~or better~~

EC5.44 – no change.

EC5.48 – include the following language - “promote testing of septic systems and educating septic users and owners as to proper maintenance of septic systems.”

EC5.53 – Prepare regulations or rules that direct each development project proposing water treatment features to provide water chemistry data for a two year or longer monitoring period, operations and maintenance (O&M) requirements and a professional report indicating that the installation and O&M program will meet State water quality criteria.

EC5.54 – give staff flexibility to clarify this section.

AMENDMENT: Councilmember Valderrama seconded the above amendments. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

AMENDMENT: Councilmember Valderrama asked to remove Vision Zero and replace with “to create and support a multimodal traffic safety and management plan” in T3.12. Councilmember Whitten seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

MAIN MOTON: Main motion carried unanimously 7-0 (O2015-366).

Council recessed from 7:55 pm to 8:00 pm.

Unfinished Business - None

New Business - None

Council Reports

Councilmember Gerend reported on the Advanced Transportation Technology Conference.

Councilmember Valderrama remarked that people are still waiting for the video for last week’s meeting to be on Channel 21. He thanked Rotary and the Chamber for hosting the Candidates Forum last week. The Nightmare At Beaver Lake starts on October 16, 2015.

Councilmember Whitten said there will be a Transportation Committee meeting tomorrow. She said the Art Fair last weekend was wonderful. She thinks the City should have had a better process for the Sahalee Way project.

Deputy Mayor Huckabay said that this weekend will be the Kiwanis Ski Swap.

Councilmember Odell reported that there will be an emergency fair this weekend.

City Manager Report

Mr. Yazici reported on the storm water runoff from last weekend's stormy weather.

Executive Session – If Necessary

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Thomas E. Vance, Mayor