

COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting November 18, 2013

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

Councilmembers present:

Mayor Tom Odell
Deputy Mayor Ramiro Valderrama
Councilmember John Curley
Councilmember Don Gerend,
Councilmember John James
Councilmember Tom Vance
Councilmember Nancy Whitten

Staff present:

Ben Yazici, City Manager
Lyman Howard, Deputy City Manager
Kamuron Gurol, Assistant City Manager/Community Development Director
Mike Sauerwein, Assistant City Manager and Administrative Services Director
Parks & Recreation Director Jessi Bon
Linda Frkuska, Deputy Parks Director
Anjali Myer, Project Manager
Sevda Baran, Project Manager
Joe Guinasso, Finance and Technical Services Director
Chris Gianini, Deputy Finance Director
Laura Philpot, Public Works Director
Jeff Brauns, City Engineer
Kari Sand, City Attorney
Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

Roll was called. Councilmember Curley led the pledge. Mayor Odell asked the Council and audience members to remain standing for a moment of silence for the victims of Philippine typhoon and the damaging tornado in the mid-west.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Valderrama moved to approve the agenda. Councilmember Whitten seconded.
Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Student Liaison Reports

Skyline Student Liaison (Hamilton Wasnick)

The football team lost to Federal Way and are out of the play-offs. The soccer team also lost to Issaquah. Volleyball placed 7th. Fundraising efforts will go to the Ben Towne Foundation (<http://bentownefoundation.org/our-mission/>) for pediatric cancer research. They will also be providing blankets for tent city and possibly providing some meals there.

Eastlake Student Liaison (Lauren Mittenthal/Megan Cantrell)

She explained that the new leadership teacher is Don Bartell (Eastlake Head Football Coach as well). The leadership team is working on making all students feel accepted at Eastlake. Girls swim and dive team placed 5th. The coach Kate Agnew was voted coach of the year. The football team is still in the playoffs.

Presentations/Proclamations

- **Community Center Update**

Parks & Recreation Director Jessi Bon introduced the consultants from BRS, who gave a presentation on the 60% design of the building. They showed a PowerPoint presentation (available on the city's website at www.sammamish.us). They explained the changes and cost saving measures that have been done to reduce the cost of the building. The only major change was having a half-court gym instead of a full size gym. Total project cost is now at \$34,504,000 which includes an inflation contingency. Since this dollar amount still exceeds the \$30,000,000 an alternative was also offered which swapped out the small gym for the larger gym with a running track in exchange for reducing the aquatic space. The cost for that would be \$30,693,541. Looking at this alternate plan could cause delay and the project might be pushed out an additional year so that construction could begin in June, due to the conditions of the site. YMCA Director Marcia Isenberger explained that the Y could not build the same building for \$30,000,000. Deputy Mayor Valderrama questioned why changes have not been made to the building itself.

MOTION: Councilmember Whitten moved to adopt project alternative amount of \$34, 504,000 as based on 60% design (which includes a contingency). Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion carried 5-2 with Deputy Mayor Valderrama and Councilmember Curley dissenting.

Deputy Mayor Valderrama is concerned about the cost escalation on a project that has not even begun. Councilmember Curley believes the city should not be getting into the health club business.

Public Comment

Father Kevin Duggan, Pastor Mary Queen of Peace, the church is asking for a 30 day extension on the temporary use permit for Tent City 4. Hosting Tent City has been a very positive experience.

Dave Augenstein, 723 212th Avenue SE, Spoke regarding Fire Services and Eastside Fire & Rescue. He also invited everyone out to the Eastlake High School Football game on Saturday.

Michael Liu, 226632 SE 14th Place, Representing the Redford Ranch HOA, He spoke regarding changing the city's temporary use permit. He suggested that it should be modeled after Mercer Island's regulations which do not allow the temporary encampments to locate in the same area each time they come.

CJ Kahler, 21911 SE 20th Street, Speaking for Sammamish Rotary, They had a record year at the Nightmare at Beaver Lake. Rotary Club supports the 30 day extension for Tent City 4. The need for homeless shelters is high and increasing.

Sarah Morlipue, 24220 NE 30th Street, She spoke regarding the Community Center and she is glad that the Council voted to move forward with the lap pool. She urged them to keep the lap pool. She was also supportive of extending the temporary Use Permit for Tent City 4.

City Manager Ben Yazici explained that staff is going to bring an ordinance regarding temporary use permits to the next meeting.

MOTION: Councilmember Vance moved to have staff bring an ordinance for a 30-day extension to Temporary Use Permit. 4 for the December 3, 2013 Council meeting. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Consent Agenda

- Payroll for the period ending October 31, 2013 for pay date November 5, 2013 in the amount of \$ 283,690.75

Approval: Claims for period ending November 18, 2013 in the amount of \$1,891,140.38 for Check No. 36083 through 36210

Ordinance: Second Reading Vacating a Portion of SE 28th Street (O2013-357)

Ordinance: Second Reading Vacating a Portion of SE 32nd Street (O2013-358)

MOTION: Councilmember James moved to approve the consent calendar. Deputy Mayor Valderrama seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Public Hearing

Assistant City Manager/Director of Community Development Kamuron Gurol gave the staff report. There was originally 4 items on the 2013 Docket, which have been reduced to the two brought forward tonight This is the first reading of the ordinances on the 2013 Docket Items. Staff recommends opening the public hearing, taking testimony. This is the first reading of these ordinances, no action is being recommended tonight.

Ordinance: First Reading - 2013 Docket - Amending The City Of Sammamish Comprehensive Plan Chapter 5 Transportation Element

Public Works Director Laura Philpot gave a staff report and showed a PowerPoint presentation on the Transportation Level of Service Density (*available on the city's website at www.sammamish.us*).

Ordinance: First Reading – 2013 Docket Density Calculation Pilot

Option 1: Relating To The 2013 Docket And Denying A Proposal To Create A Pilot Program To Permit Certain Qualifying Properties To Be Governed By Modified Development Regulations

Option 2: Relating To The 2013 Docket And Establishing A Pilot Program Under Which Selected Sites May Use A Modification To SMC 21A.25.080 Regarding Calculation Of The Total Number Of Allowable Lots; Providing For Severability; And Establishing An Effective Date

Associate Planner Robin Proebsting gave the staff report and showed a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Pilot Program for Net Density (*available on the city's website at www.sammamish.us*).

Public Hearing was opened at 9:03 pm.

Public Comment

Rick Aramburu, 720 Third Avenue, Suite 2000, Representing Broadmoor HOA, He spoke against the Pilot Program. He does not feel that this is a comprehensive plan amendment but only affects one individual.

Joe McCarren, 24107 NE 29th Street, President Broadmoor HOA, He supported the previous speaker. He feels increased density in their neighborhood would decrease the safety of the streets.

Greg Kip, 3011 211th Avenue NE, Spoke in support of the Pilot Program. He feels this is a matter of equity for all landowners.

Ray Macy, 24034 NE 29th Street, Supported the previous speakers from the Broadmoor HOA.

Andrew Moreldge, 24220 NE 30th Place, He spoke against the Pilot Program.

Mark Comer, 1628 204th Avenue NE, He spoke against the LOS ordinance. He does not feel that Eastlake Sammamish should be removed from the transportation improvement list.

Public hearing closed at 9:19 pm.

Councilmember Whitten suggested tabling the Net Density Pilot Program and instead consider R-1 Zoning as part of the Comprehensive Plan update. Consensus was this would not be tabled and will be brought back at the next Council meeting.

Mr. Yazici suggested reordering the agenda and moving New Business up to the next order of business.

Council recessed from 9:20 pm to 9:30 pm.

MOTION: Councilmember moved to extend the meeting time to 10:30 pm Deputy Mayor Valderrama seconded. Motion carried 5-1 with Councilmember Curley dissenting and Councilmember Vance absent.

New Business

Resolution: Support Of Each Of The Three (3) Issaquah School District Levies (Collectively, The "Levy"), As Follows:

- Renewal Of The Maintenance And Operations Levy For Funding District Education Programs And School Operations In The Amount Of \$44,500,000 For 2015;

\$48,000,000 In 2016; \$51,500,000 In 2017; And \$54,000,000 In 2018 (The “M&O Levy”)

- School Bus Levy To Fund New And Replacement School Buses For Increased Operational Effectiveness And Efficiency In The Amount Of \$1,700,000 (The “School Bus Levy”); And
- Capital Projects Levy To Fund Education Technology And Critical Repairs, School Remodeling And Updating For Safety, Security And Efficiency In The Amount Of \$11,420,000 In 2015; \$12,050,000 In 2016; \$13,592,000 In 2017; And \$14,890,000 In 2018 (The “Capital Projects Levy”);

Assistant Superintendent Ron Thiele explained the need for the levy. Suzanne Weaver, representing the Vote for Issaquah Schools, asked for Council to endorse the three levies.

MOTION: Councilmember James moved to approve the Issaquah School District’s 2014 Levy measures. Deputy Mayor Valderrama seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

Public Hearing

Ordinance: First Reading - 2013-2014 Budget Adjustment - Amending Ordinance No. 02013-343, The 2013-2014 City Budget, For The Purpose Of Revising The 2013-2014 Biennial Budget.

Ordinance: First Reading - 2014 Tax Levy - Relating To The Levying Of Regular Property Taxes And Establishing The Amount To Be Levied In 2014 On The Assessed Valuation Of The Property Within The City.

Finance Director Joe Guinasso gave the staff report and showed a PowerPoint presentation on both the Budget Adjustments and 2014 Property Tax Levy Rate (*available on the city’s website at www.sammamish.us*). This is the first reading of the ordinances. No action is recommended at this time.

Public hearing opened at 10:00 pm and closed with no public comments.

Ordinance: First Reading - Extending A Moratorium On The Establishment Of Collective Gardens; Defining “Collective Gardens;” And Establishing An Effective Date.

Ordinance: First Reading - Imposing A Moratorium On The Establishment Of Certain Marijuana-Related Facilities; Defining Said Certain Marijuana-Related Facilities; Entering Legislative Findings; Providing For Severability; And Establishing An Effective Date.

Mr. Yazici explained that these are both extensions of current moratoriums and will be brought back at the December 3, 2013 regular meeting.

Public Hearing opened at 10:01 pm and was continued to December 3, 2013 Council meeting with no public comment.

Unfinished Business - None

Council Reports

Councilmember Vance reported that the EF & R board approved the funding model resolution and approved an additional Ad Hoc committee to study additional changes to the interlocal agreement. Their first meeting will be November 22.

Councilmember James reported the Community and Economic Development Committee will be meeting tomorrow.

Mayor Odell reported that several regional appointments have been announced for 2014: Councilmember Vance has been appointed to the Regional Transit Committee, Councilmember Gerend will serve on both the Puget Sound Regional Committee's Executive Board and the Transportation Policy board. Mayor Odell will continue with Seattle/King County Economic Development Commission and as a voting member of the Growth Management Policy Council. Mayor Odell and Councilmembers Vance and Gerend attended the National League of Cities Conference

Mayor Odell reported that the Sammi Awards are open for nominations.

City Manager Report

Mr. Yazici reported that staff has been receiving requests regarding the 42nd Street Barricade. It is not in the current work plan for 2014. This will be brought up after the new councilmembers are on board.

Executive Session – Litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)

Council retired to executive 10:16 pm and returned at 10:35 pm. No action was taken.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 pm.

Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Thomas T. Odell, Mayor