

# COUNCIL MINUTES

## Regular Meeting March 6, 2012

Deputy Mayor John James called the regular meeting of the Sammamish City Council to order at 6:30 pm.

**Councilmembers present:** Deputy Mayor John James, Councilmembers John Curley (arrived 6:38 pm), Don Gerend, Ramiro Valderrama, and Tom Vance.

Councilmembers absent: Mayor Tom Odell, Councilmember Nancy Whitten

MOTION: Councilmember Gerend moved to excuse Mayor Odell and Councilmember Whitten. Councilmember Vance seconded. Motion carried unanimously 4-0.

**Staff present:** City Manager Ben Yazici, Public Works Director Laura Philpot, Senior Project Engineer Jim Grueber, Assistant City Manager/Community Development Director Kamuron Gurol, Parks & Recreation Director Jessi Richardson, Administrative Services Director Mike Sauerwein, City Attorney Bruce Disend, and City Clerk Melonie Anderson.

### Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

Roll was called. Girl Scout Troup presented the flag and led the pledge.

### Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Councilmember Gerend moved to approve the agenda. Councilmember Vance seconded.

Councilmember Valderrama requested that Items #3 – Hearing Examiner Services and #4 – City Attorney Contract be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed after New Business.

Agenda was approved as amended unanimously 5-0.

### Presentations/Proclamations

#### ➤ Girls Scout Girl of the Year

Deputy Mayor James read the following proclamation and proclaimed 2012 as Year of the Girl.

**WHEREAS**, March 12, 2012, marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Girl Scouts of the United States of America, and,

**WHEREAS**, today, more than 50 million American women are Girl Scout alumnae, 3.3 million girls and adult volunteers are active members, and Girl Scouts is the largest member of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts, a global movement comprised of more than 10 million girls in 145 countries worldwide; and,

**WHEREAS**, and, over 800 girls from Sammamish and over 600 dedicated adult volunteers are proud to be a part of the Girl Scout tradition in Sammamish; and

**WHEREAS**, in the past year Sammamish has had 3 Gold Award recipients, the highest honor in Girl Scouting. Projects completed by these girls have been in partnership with the city of Sammamish and included:

- Nicole Atherly hosted a bicycle safety booth at the National Night Out
- Supriya Dublish hosted a booth at the Sammamish Cultural Fair with international dancers, and
- Sarah Hunter hosted a booth about safety awareness for children at the National Night Out; and

**WHEREAS**, Our community has over 50 Silver and Bronze Awardees, in the past year. Their projects have included working with the Sammi Awards to highlight where prior winners are now and how they continue to make a difference in the world. In addition troops have worked to support the Seattle Humane Society, Sarvey Wildlife Center and Puget Sound Blood Center.

**WHEREAS**, through the dedication, time, and talent of volunteers, Sammamish has an annual day camp serving 400 girls per year at Beaver Lake Park, our troops and girls have conducted many service projects including labeling city drains, painting park boardwalks, planting trees, removing invasive plants, and feeding the homeless and disadvantaged; in addition Troop 50163 has conducted workshops educating more than 1,000 girls on water, air and energy conservation, outdoor skills, candy making and pet care,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I Deputy Mayor John James on behalf of Mayor Thomas T. Odell and the Sammamish City Council, do hereby applaud the Girl Scouts of the United States of America for their 100 years of leadership of girls, the Girl Scouts of Western Washington for providing the local support for Girl Scouting in our community, and the Girl Scouts of our city of Sammamish for their courage, confidence, and character to act to make our world a better place and proudly proclaim 2012 as “Year of the Girl.”

➤ Dr. Chip Kimball, Superintendent, Lake Washington School District  
Deputy Mayor James read the following proclamation. He then invited Dr. Chip Kimball to give an update on the state of the Lake Washington School District and to begin his “goodbyes” as he is retiring at the end of this school year. Former Councilmember Mark Cross also expressed his appreciation for the work Dr. Kimball has been doing on the regional task force.

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Chip Kimball has been with the Lake Washington School District since 1996, serving as Assistant Superintendent and Chief Information Officer, Deputy Superintendent and finally, in June of 2007, becoming Superintendent; and

**WHEREAS**, during this time, Dr. Kimball has developed strategies for increased student achievement and school accountability, and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Kimball’s work in Lake Washington has resulted in one of the most comprehensive and effective educational technology implementations in the country, and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Kimball has always been collaborative and supportive of joint ventures between the City of Sammamish and Lake Washington School Districts, and

**WHEREAS**, his leadership has been instrumental in successful projects such as joint field construction and usage, new school design and permitting and other partnerships with the City, and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Kimball is retiring from the Lake Washington School District to pursue new opportunities in Asia as the Superintendent of the Singapore American School;

**WHEREAS**, his professionalism will leave a lasting impact on our school district and the Sammamish community for many years to come;

**Now therefore**, on behalf of the Sammamish City Council, I Mayor Thomas T. Odell would like to officially thank Dr. Chip Kimball for his time and contributions to both the Lake Washington School District and the City of Sammamish. We will miss him and wish him luck in all that comes in the future.

**Public Comment**

*Mary Jo Kahler*, She spoke and handed out public comment regarding the Solicitor Licensing. *(Comments are available upon request of the City Clerk).*

**Consent Calendar**

- Payroll for the period ending February 29, 2012 for pay date March 05, 2012 in the amount of \$252,858.27

Approval: Claims for period ending March 06, 2012 in the amount of \$658,464.45 for Check No. 31484 through No. 31561

Resolution: Final Acceptance ELSP Phase 1b/SCI (R2012-488)

Amendment: Contract Amendment for On-Call Tree Services

Contract: Installation of an Access Control System at City Hall/Western Entrance Technology, LLC

Approval: Minutes for the February 21, 2012 Special Meeting

**MOTION: Councilmember Curly moved to approve the consent calendar. Councilmember Valderrama seconded. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.**

**New Business**

Resolution: Hearing Examiner's Rules of Procedures

Assistant City Manager/Community Development Director Kamuron Gurol gave the staff report.

**MOTION: Councilmember Gerend moved to table this item to the March 19, 2012 Regular Meeting. Councilmember Vance seconded. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.**

Contract: 2012 Contract for Legal Services

Administrative Services Director Mike Sauerwein gave the staff report and showed a PowerPoint presentation (*available on the City's website at [www.ci.sammamish.wa.us](http://www.ci.sammamish.wa.us)*)

MOTION: Councilmember Vance moved to authorize the City Manager to sign the contract for City Attorney Services. Councilmember Gerend seconded.

AMENDMENT: Councilmember Gerend moved to amend the contract to read that the City Attorney shall attend all Council meetings unless excused by the City Manager. Section V shall be amended to include IV Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 to be billed on a fixed fee basis. Councilmember Curley seconded. Motion unanimously 5-0.

AMENDMENT: Councilmember Valderrama moved to limit the contract increase to 2% increase. No second.

MAIN MOTION: Carried as amended 4-1 with Councilmember Valderrama dissenting.

Councilmember Valderrama expressed concern that this contract was not put out for request for proposal before being increased. Also, he does not feel that contracted services should have a built-in cost of living adjustment.

Ordinance: First Reading regarding Solicitor Licensing

Sammamish Police Sergeant Jessica Sullivan gave the staff report and showed a PowerPoint presentation (*available on the City's website at [www.ci.sammamish.wa.us](http://www.ci.sammamish.wa.us)*). This is the first reading of the ordinance. It will be brought back for a second reading on April 3, 2012. Public comment is encouraged regarding this ordinance.

Contract: Integrated Permit Tracking Software

Finance Director Joe Guinasso gave the staff report and showed a PowerPoint presentation (*available on the City's website at [www.ci.sammamish.wa.us](http://www.ci.sammamish.wa.us)*). He explained that this contract was being brought back before Council for approval because staff decided to go with a different company than Council previously approved. The reasons for the change included CRW being less expensive and having a proven track record with other cities.

MOTION: Councilmember Vance moved to authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with CRW for Permit Tracking Software. Councilmember Curley seconded. Motion carried 4-1 with Councilmember Valderrama dissenting.

Councilmember Valderrama expressed concern that the pay-back period on this software has not been determined and would like to see this analysis done for all future expenditures as well as for this expenditure.

AMENDMENT: Councilmember Valderrama moved to refer this item back for more consideration. No second.

Contract: Fire Service Study/FCS Group

Mr. Sauerwein gave the staff report and showed a PowerPoint presentation (*available on the City's website at [www.ci.sammamish.wa.us](http://www.ci.sammamish.wa.us)*). A Request for Proposal was sent out and the city received six responses. The proposals were reviewed by staff, Councilmembers and the Technical Advisory Group and the selection of FCS Group was unanimous.

MOTION: Councilmember Vance moved to authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with FCS Group to perform an evaluation of Eastside Fire & Rescue emergency and fire services in an amount not to exceed \$50,000. Councilmember Valderrama seconded. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Discussion: 2012 Pavement Management Review Overlay Candidates

Senior Engineer Jim Grueber gave the staff report and showed a PowerPoint presentation (*available on the City's website at [www.ci.sammamish.wa.us](http://www.ci.sammamish.wa.us)*).

MOTION: Councilmember Vance moved to removed Louis Thompson Hill Road and SE 4<sup>th</sup> Street from the list of candidates. Councilmember Valderrama seconded. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Resolution: Approving A Coalition for Affordable Housing (ARCH) 2012 Budget and Work Program

Mr. Gurol introduced Arthur Sullivan, Director of ARCH. He then showed a PowerPoint presentation on the background and accomplishments of ARCH in previous years (*available on the City's website at [www.ci.sammamish.wa.us](http://www.ci.sammamish.wa.us)*).

MOTION: Councilmember Gerend moved to adopt the resolution approving the 2012 ARCH Budget and Work Plan. Councilmember Vance seconded. Motion carried unanimously 5-0. R2012-489)

### **Council Reports**

Councilmember Valderrama attended Eastside Fire & Rescue meetings as well as the Sister City Committee meeting. He also attended the Citizens for Sammamish meeting yesterday.

Councilmember Vance attended the Arts Commission meeting.

Deputy Mayor James noted that discussions on the initiative and referendum process have been added to the council calendar in November and December.

### **City Manager Report**

No date was set for a joint meeting with Issaquah

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm

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Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

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Thomas T. Odell, Mayor