



STUDY SESSION NOTES

Study Session March 13, 2012

Mayor Tom Odell opened the study session of the Sammamish City Council at 6:30 p.m.

Public Comment

This is an opportunity for the public to address the Council. Three-minutes limit per person or 5 minutes if representing the official position of a recognized community organization.

Woody Hertzog, 4115 205th Ave SE – Local Sammamish business owner and resident, delegate from the local Issaquah/Sammamish Tea Party group. He would like to express concerns over the 3.2% increase given to a local law firm and he would ask the Council to be more open to discussion about these types of increases in the future. City Council responded and City Manager Ben Yazici gave a staff report (*available on the city's website at www.ci.sammamish.wa.us*).

Harry Shedd, 2313 Sahalee Dr. E. - Mr. Shedd stated that the standards in transparency and full disclosure in Sammamish are not being honored. He feels public information that is requested is not being received, is being received in part, or is delayed beyond a reasonable time period. Councilmembers need to receive information well in advance so they can make decisions with all available facts, as well as ensuring that all due diligence requirements are met. He requests that the City improve the timely and complete release of requested public information.

Topics

- **Sister City**
- **Planning Commission Handoff-Home Occupation Regulations:**
Joe Lipinsky, Planning Commission Chair, gave a presentation. Evan Maxim, Senior Planner gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding the changes being proposed (*available on the city's website at www.ci.sammamish.wa.us*).
- **Discussion: Tree Retention:**
Kamuron Gurol, Community Development Director/Assistant City Manager gave a staff report (*available on the city's website at www.ci.sammamish.wa.us*).
- **Discussion: Parking Regulations:**
Laura Philpot, Public Works Director gave a staff report (*available on the city's website at www.ci.sammamish.wa.us*).

➤ **Discussion: Tobacco Free Parks Policy:**

Linda Frkuska, Deputy Parks Director gave a staff report along with Larry Crandall, Parks & Recreation Commissioner.

➤ **Chestnut West Update:**

Kamuron Gurol, Community Dev. Director/Assistant City Manager gave a staff report *(available on the city's website at www.ci.sammamish.wa.us)*.

Adjournment

9:42 pm