

COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting September 4, 2012

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 John James, Councilmembers John Curley, Don Gerend, Ramiro Valderrama, Tom Vance and Nancy Whitten.

Staff present: City Manager Ben Yazici, Public Works Director Laura Philpot, 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. Assistant City Manager/Director of Community Development Kamuron Gurol led the pledge.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Deputy Mayor James moved to amend the agenda by moving the proclamation from the Consent Agenda to Presentations. Councilmember Curley seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Proclamations

Constitution Week – Mayor Odell read the following proclamation and presented it to Alice Stenstrom, representing the Daughters of the American Revolution:

WHEREAS: September 17, 2012, marks the two hundred twenty-fifth anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and

WHEREAS: It is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary; and to the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate the occasion; and

WHEREAS: Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week,

NOW, THEREFORE I, Thomas T. Odell, on behalf of the Sammamish City Council in the State of Washington do hereby proclaim the week of September 17 through 23 as **CONSTITUTION WEEK**

AND ask our citizens to reaffirm the ideals of the Framers of the constitution had in 1787 by vigilantly protecting the freedoms guaranteed to us through this guardian of our liberties, remembering that lost rights may never be regained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Sammamish in the State of Washington to be affixed this 4th day of September of the year of our Lord two thousand twelve.

Public Comment

Michael Vrhel, 23610 NE 6th Street, He spoke in support of a Community Garden at the Lower Sammamish Commons park. He lives in the Tree Farm neighborhood, which is very shady and is not a great place for gardening. He feels that the community garden will help create community and learning situations for children. He hopes this becomes a priority for Council as they move forward.

Jim Chambers, 21700 SE 16th Place, He spoke regarding the SE 8th Street Park. He feels that the latest development plans for the park are very good and has integrated the wishes of the neighbors in regard to parking and development of the park.

Consent Calendar

- Payroll for the period ending August 15, 2012 for pay date August 20, 2012 in the amount of \$288,518.00
- 1. Approval: Claims for period ending August 20, 2012 in the amount of \$784,606.10 for Check No. 32763 through No. 32885
- 2. Approval: Claims for period ending September 4, 2012 in the amount of \$2,709,296.10 for Check No. 32886 through No. 32970
- 3. Contract Amendment: Temporary Permit Technician Services/Prothman
- 4. Contract Amendment: Blue Board Sign Installation and Removal/Piedmont Signs
- 5. Approval: Rejection of Bid for Sammamish Landing Phase 1C – Dock & Beach Improvements
- ~~6. Proclamation: Constitution Week (Removed from the Consent Agenda)~~
- 7. Approval: Minutes for the July 16, 2012 Regular Meeting
- 8. Approval: Minutes for the August 6, 2012 Special Meeting

MOTION: Councilmember Vance moved to approve consent calendar. Councilmember Valderrama seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Public Hearing - None

Unfinished Business - None

New Business

Ordinance: First Reading Amending Subsection 5.06.010(A), “Definitions” Of The Sammamish Municipal Code Relating To Solicitor Definitions; Amending Section 5.06.070, “Expiration” Relating To Solicitor License Expiration; Providing For Severability And An Effective Date.

City Clerk Melonie Anderson gave a staff report. Ms. Anderson briefly described the process in obtaining a Solicitor’s license and the need to include “services” to the “Definitions” of the Sammamish Code and to adjust the expiration date to one year after the date issued.

City Manager Ben Yazici addressed a few questions raised by Council. The first being the possibility of adding photo identification to the issued license. The expense of equipment, training of staff and staff time would be an issue. Mayor Odell is concerned that it is impossible to identify if that card actually belongs to that individual without checking additional ID. Councilmember Nancy Whitten suggested a group permit for those exempt groups like Boy Scouts and Girl Guides, to save time. This is the first reading of this ordinance. No action is recommended.

Resolution: Setting a Public Hearing Date to Consider the Vacation of a Portion of 225th Avenue SE

City Engineer Laura Philpot gave the staff report and showed a PowerPoint presentation (available on the city's website at www.ci.sammamish.wa.us). This resolution will set the public hearing date. The merits of the vacation will be debated during the public hearing. The proposed date is October 15, 2012.

MOTION: Councilmember Vance moved to adopt the resolution scheduling a Public Hearing date of October 15, 2012 for the purpose of receiving testimony and deciding on the request to vacate the eastern most 9 feet of 225th Avenue SE right of way that is located just south of SE 32nd Street abutting King County Assessor Parcel No. 0924069201. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0 (R2012-502).

Authorization: Reard/Freed House Repairs

Parks & Recreation Director Jessi Richardson gave the staff report and showed a PowerPoint presentation (available on the city's website at www.ci.sammamish.wa.us). The repairs consist of a new roof, completion of exterior siding and painting of the house.

Councilmember Valderrama asked for confirmation that after these funds are expended, there is no authorization for further expenditures. Councilmember Whitten did point out that the city has agreed with Mary Pigott, who donated the property the Reard House is currently located on, to repair and maintain the house in a safe manner. She did caution both the Heritage Society and staff to consider any other financial contributions the city might have to make in relation to any grants that might be applied for in the future.

MOTION: Councilmember Gerend moved to authorize the City Manager to solicit bids and execute contracts to complete the roof replacement, siding repairs, lead paint stabilization and exterior painting of the Reard-Freed House in an amount not to exceed \$48,000. Deputy Mayor James seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Council Committee Reports

Deputy Mayor James announced that the next Economic Development Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 25 at 9:00 am at City Hall.

Councilmember Vance announced that the next Public Safety Committee meeting will be Thursday, September 27 at 3:00 pm at City Hall.

Council Reports

Councilmember Gerend announced that the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) will be sponsoring a Candidate Forum on September 18 from 9 am to 1 pm at the SeaTac Hilton. AWC also sponsors regional meetings and he encouraged other councilmembers to attend if possible.

Mayor Odell reminded Council that the Mayor's Month of Concern Food Drive will begin on September 22. He encouraged everyone's participation. Mayor Odell thanked the Sammamish Chamber of Commerce for an excellent time at the Sammamish Nights event.

City Manager Report

Mr. Yazici told Council that he will be bringing a contract to Council to allow the city to join with other cities to appeal the Phase 2 NPDES Permit. The reason for the appeal is because these new regulations will prohibit necessary development and growth in the city. As well, it will unduly burden individual homeowners wishing to make improvements to their property. Joining this coalition will be the most cost effective as well as provide the necessary force to make changes to the permit.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Thomas T. Odell, Mayor