

COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting November 2, 2010

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

Councilmembers present: Mayor Don Gerend, Deputy Mayor Nancy Whitten, Councilmembers Mark Cross, John Curley, John James, Tom Odell (arrived 6:45pm), and Michele Petitti(arrived 7:40 pm).

Councilmembers absent: Councilmember John Curly.

MOTION: Councilmember Cross moved to excuse Councilmember Curley. Councilmember Whitten seconded. Motion carried unanimously 4-0.

Staff present: City Manager Ben Yazici, Deputy City Manager Pete Butkus, Public Works Director John Cunningham, 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. Councilmember James led the pledge.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Councilmember James moved to approve the agenda.

AMENDMENT: Councilmember Cross moved to remove the Ordinances for the School Impact Fees to immediately follow the Consent Calendar. Deputy Mayor Whitten seconded. Motion carried unanimously 4-0.

Agenda was approved as amended.

Proclamations/Presentations

- **Achievement Award: International City/County Management Association (ICMA) Performance Measures**
Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Lyman Howard gave the staff report.

- **Proclamation: American Diabetes Month**
Mayor Gerend read the following proclamation:

A Proclamation of
The City of Sammamish, Washington
Designating November 2010 as National Diabetes Month

WHEREAS, in the United States, nearly 24 million people -- including 450,000 in Washington State -- have diabetes, a serious disease with potentially life-threatening complications such as heart disease, stroke, blindness, kidney disease, and amputation; and

WHEREAS, an additional 57 million people in the United States are at risk for developing type 2 diabetes; and

WHEREAS, one out of every three children, and one out of every two minorities, born today will face a future with diabetes if current trends continue; and

WHEREAS, an increase in community awareness is necessary to put a stop to the diabetes epidemic; let it therefore be

NOW THEREFORE, the Sammamish City Council does hereby proclaim

November 2010 to be American Diabetes Month® in Sammamish.

And we encourage all Americans to recognize American Diabetes Month and join the American Diabetes Association's movement to Stop Diabetes® and confront, fight and most importantly, change the future of this deadly disease.

Public Comment

Michael Snyder, Representing St Andrews Transitional Housing, He thanked the Council for supporting affordable housing by contributing to An Affordable Housing Coalition (ARCH).

Mike Collins, Representing the Sammamish Homeowners Association. He spoke regarding the establishment of the city's Ordinary High Water Mark. He reminded Council that their group's two main points are that the process be fair and transparent. He also requested Council to keep the residents updated on the process of the Shoreline Master Plan.

Ella Moore, 2731 204th Avenue SE, Representing the Sammamish Historic Association, regarding the relocation of the Freed House. She thanked the Council and staff for all the help they have provided the group. She will be meeting with a King County Representative regarding her duties as the city's representative in the historic landmark

board. She also asked if Council needed more information before deciding the budget for the Freed House.

Myrl Venter 3510 254th, Issaquah, He spoke regarding the financial request for the Sammamish Symphony. Council was provided with a copy of their yearly budget. The Symphony is requesting the Council to partially fund their annual Pops Concerts at Eastlake High School. They are asking for an additional \$2,000.

Consent Calendar

- Payroll for period ending October 15, 2010 for pay date October 20, 2010 in the amount of \$251,020.55
- 1. Approval: Claims for period ending November 2, 2010 in the amount of \$3,264,209.47 for Check No.27714 through No. 27822

MOTION: Councilmember Odell moved to approve consent calendar. Deputy Mayor Whitten Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

New Business

Ordinance: First Reading Adopting The Issaquah School District No. 411 Impact Fees For 2010.

Ordinance: First Reading Adopting The Lake Washington District No. 414 Impact Fees for 2010.

Ordinance: First Reading Adopting The Snoqualmie Valley School District No. 410 Impact Fees for 2010.

Assistant City Manager/Director of Community Development Kamuron Gurol gave the staff report and gave a PowerPoint presentation (*available on the city's website at www.ci.sammamish.wa.us*). He explained that there are three school districts in the city. Each year the school districts have the ability to raise or lower their impact fees as necessary. The city simply collects the fees for the school district. This year it is also necessary to adopt the Capital Facilities Plan for the Snoqualmie School district, since they were newly annexed into the city this year. This is the first reading of these ordinances. No action is recommended. Representatives of the three school districts explained that impact fee is very formulaic and based on the capital needs of the various districts. No action is recommended for these ordinances. It is the first reading only.

Public Hearings

Ordinance: Second Reading and Continuation of Public Hearing Relating To Siting Of Wireless Communication Facilities; Amending Chapter 21a.55.070 And .080 Of The Sammamish Municipal Code; Providing For Attachment Of Base Station Equipment And Limiting Height Increases; Providing For Severability; And, Establishing An Effective Date

Mr. Gurol gave the staff report and showed a PowerPoint presentation (*available on the city's website at www.ci.sammamish.wa.us*). Staff is recommending the City Council reopen the public hearing, take public comment and continue the Public Hearing to December 14. Staff would also like final direction based on the presentation tonight and any input given during the public hearing. Staff is recommending amending the code to limit poles to 120 feet in the Right of Way. The limits in zoned areas are recommended to be different in the different zones, but would not exceed 120 feet in any zone. The recommended amendment for attached cabinets would require landscaping which must be approved by the City Engineer. The recommended amendment for off-site base stations would be an additional option. Additional amendments regarding changing the hierarchy for siting might require additional staff work than is available now. Deputy Mayor Whitten expressed concern that wireless facilities at schools should not be limited to a height lower than the existing field lighting. Councilmember James would like to see the 80 foot limitation and should be applied only to co-location. Mr. Gurol said staff would add that amendment. Council expressed support for moving locating in parks up the hierarchy.

Public Hearing opened at 8:35 pm.

Public Comment

Richard Busch, President of Northwest Wireless Association, He pointed out there are multiple ways to integrate these facilities. There is no one right answer. The feasibility of these restrictions must be taken into account for these facilities. He feels wireless facilities can be integrated every easily in parks. He asked Council to consider 120 feet limit in non-residential areas. He feels limiting the height to 80 feet will not encourage a carrier to locate in a park.

Gary Abrams, Representing AT & T, He commented that the original changes by the Planning Commission were agreeable to the wireless community as long as the regulations encouraged co-location and consolidation by increasing the allowable height. He said that most of the new pools he is working on are encapsulated poles. The current city code encourages the use of existing light poles, which prohibits the use of encapsulated poles.

Public Hearing closed at 8:51 pm and was continued to December 14, 2010.

Ordinance: First Reading , Relating To The Levying Of Taxes And Establishing The Amount To Be Levied In 2011 On The Assessed Valuation Of The Property Within The City.

Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Lyman Howard gave the staff report. He gave a high level recap of the budget process to date. All Council directives have been incorporated into the budget (*PowerPoint presentation is available on the city's website at www.ci.sammamish.wa.us*).

Public Hearing opened at 9:22 for Property Tax ordinance and closed with no public comment,

Ordinance: First Reading Adopting The 2011-2012 Biennial Budget

Public Hearing opened at 9:23 for 2011-2012 Budget ordinance and closed with no public comment.

MOTION: Councilmember Odell moved to strike the \$70,000 set aside for the Freed House relocation. Deputy Mayor Whitten seconded. Friendly Amendment: Councilmember James moved to keep \$7,000 in the budget. Motion failed 2-4 with Mayor Gerend, Deputy Mayor Whitten, Councilmember Petitti and Councilmember Cross dissenting.

Unfinished Business - None

New Business

Ordinance: First Reading Amending Ordinance No. 02009-273, The 2009-2010 City Budget, For The Purpose Of Revising The 2009-2010 Biennial Budget.

Mr. Howard gave the staff report. This is the first reading. No action is required.

Resolution: Amending Resolution R2009-394 The City's Master Fee Schedule

Mr. Howard gave the staff report. He explained that all permit fees have been increased by 3% to cover the cost of the new permitting system. New fees have been added for the Town Center. Amended Title 19 required some changes to the Fee Schedule. Park facility rental fees have been adjusted upward to include cost recovery. Public works increased the concurrency testing fees to cover cost increases and Right of Way permit fees were changed.

Councilmember James is not supportive of raising the fees for sports fields.

MOTION: Councilmember Petitti moved to approve the resolution adopting the 2011 Master Fee Schedule. Councilmember Cross seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0 (R2010-433).

Resolution: Modifying The Procedure For Enacting Changes To The Personnel Policies, Eliminating The 2% Employee Retention Bonus, And Establishing A New Section Providing For Severance Compensation Upon Employee Lay Offs

Mr. Howard gave the staff report.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Whitten moved to adopt the resolution modifying the Personnel Policies to eliminate the 2% Employee Retention Bonus and establishing a new section for severance compensation. Councilmember Odell seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0 (R2010-434).

Resolution: Adopting The City Of Sammamish Salary Schedule For Fiscal Year 2011.

Mr. Howard gave the staff report. This salary schedule is based on the June to July CPIU and includes a .05% decrease.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Whitten moved to approve the 2011 Salary Schedule as proposed. Councilmember Cross seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0 (R2010-435)

Resolution: Ratifying Amendments To The King County Countywide Planning Policies

MOTION: Councilmember Petitti moved to ratify the amendments to the King County Planning Policies. Councilmember Cross seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0 (R2010-436).

Council Reports

Councilmember Odell reported that Eastside Fire & Rescue has exceeded their overtime allotment. They will rotate the absence of a firefighter between the fire stations. Station #81 was the first station to be affected by this. If the overtime continues, different station will be affected on a rotation basis. This will continue until the end of December. Station #83 is excluded from this rotation due to their high volume of calls.

Councilmember James reported on the Nightmare at Beaver Lake.

City Manager Report – No report

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 pm

Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Donald J. Gerend, Mayor