

COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting September 2, 2008

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

Councilmembers present: Mayor Lee Felling, Deputy Mayor Don Gerend, Councilmembers Jack Barry, Michele Petitti and Nancy Whitten.

Councilmember absent: Councilmember Kathleen Huckabay.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Gerend moved to excuse Councilmember Huckabay. Councilmember Cross seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

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

Roll was called. A member of Scout Troup #571 led the pledge.

Public Comment

John James, Representing the Sammamish Chamber of Commerce, He spoke in favor of the Parks Bond and Levy Lid Lift proposals which will be on the ballot in November. He passed out a resolution the Chamber passed supporting these measures. (A copy is available upon request of the City Clerk). He also reported that the Chamber has hired a full time Executive Director, Deb Sogee

Jim Osgood, 19661 SE 24th Way, He presented written comment to the City Council explaining that he feels his property is being unfairly impacted by the city regulations for Erosion Hazards Near a Sensitive Area no disturbance zone.

Susan Richardson, 19661 SE 24th Way, She explained that they did not offer any public comments regarding the Erosion Hazards No Disturbance Zones because they were not aware that changes were being planned for these regulations, even though they participated in two pre-application meetings to develop their property.

Eric Franklin, 1602 223rd Avenue SE, Spoke in favor of the proposed sidewalk project on SE 20th Street. A sidewalk along this street would greatly improve the walkability of the area.

Mike Bell, 22423 SE 20th Street, He also spoke in favor of the SE 20th Street sidewalk project. He was surprised that the design contract had been withdrawn from tonight's agenda.

Saleel Sathe, 24336 E Main Dr., He expressed concern that the City is still considering a roundabout for the 244th Street project. He will have some of his land taken, even though the current design for the roundabout is smaller. He is still requesting the City to provide alternatives other than a roundabout. He also requested some method for input for those who will be unable to attend the next open house.

Manoj Gupta, 103 245th Place SE, He echoed the concerns of the first speaker regarding the roundabout on 244th Street. He noted that staff is working on alternatives to the roundabout but he was concerned this information would not be available at the open house. He has five concerns about the proposed roundabout (1) the taking of land for roundabout, (2) loss of trees at the intersection, (3) safety, (4) cost and (5) traffic calming is not really that necessary at this intersection.

Prateek Jetly, 102 243rd Place SE, He also expressed concern about the roundabout on 244th. He is requesting an alternative to the roundabout that would not require the taking of surrounding properties.

Gail Twelves, She offered comments regarding the proposed Low Impact Development Ordinances. She is still opposed to using a points system to incentivize LID. She believes the Council should make LID mandatory.

Dave Bradley, 22209 SE 20th Street, He thanked the Council for the SE 20th Street project.

Cory Brandt, 22408 SE 20th, He thanked the Council for the SE 20th Street project and recommended that they city put a new sewer system in at the same time.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Councilmember Petitti moved to approve the agenda. Councilmember Whitten seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Proclamations/Presentations

- **Quarterly Reports**
 - ✓ **Administrative Services** – Director of Administrative Services Director Mike Sauerwein gave the quarterly report.
 - ✓ **Community Development** - Director of Community Development Kamuron Gurol gave the staff report. *(PowerPoint available on the city's website at www.ci.sammamish.wa.us.)*

Consent Calendar

Payroll for pay period ending July 31, 2008 for pay date August 5, 2008 in the amount of \$252,713.22.

Payroll for pay period ending August 15, 2008 for pay date August 20, 2008 in the amount of \$241,165.12

Approval: Claims for period ending August 5, 2008 for Check No. 21327 through Check No. 21490 in the amount of \$1,823,382.81.

Approval: Claims for period ending August 19, 2008 for Check No.21491 through Check No.21601 in the amount of \$1,199,192.86.

Approval: Claims for period ending September 2, 2008 for Check No. 21602 through Check No.21698 in the amount of \$749,706.62.

Resolution: Ratifying Amendments to the King County Wide Planning Policies

Resolution: Final Acceptance Sammamish Commons Pergola Remodel

Contract: Sammamish Commons Architectural Services/Site Workshop

Contract: Sammamish Commons Topographical and Utility Survey

Contract: Sween House Architectural Services/Johnston Architects

Contract: Evans Creek Preserve Site and Boundary Survey/PACE

Amendment: Pine Lake Park Project/Danneko

Amendment: Town Center/Makers

Amendment: 244th Avenue SE Project/Lochner

Approval: Notes for June 10, 2008 Study Session

Approval: Notes for June 12, 2008 Financial Retreat

Approval: Minutes for July 15 Special Meeting/Study Session

Approval: Notes for August 18, 2008 Special Meeting

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Gerend moved to approve consent calendar. Councilmember Cross seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Unfinished Business - None

New Business

Interlocal: Land Transfer/City of Redmond

Parks and Recreation Director Jessi Richardson gave the staff report. The City of Redmond is transferring parcels that adjoin Sammamish Landing Waterfront Park. The agreement calls for development of a park within ten years. If development does not occur within the 10 years the property does revert to the City of Redmond. The first phase of the funding for development would be provided by the passage of the Parks Bond. The transfer is fairly straightforward with only some grant funding that needs to be transferred.

MOTION: Councilmember Whitten moved to authorize the City Manager to sign the interlocal agreement. Councilmember Petitti seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Council Reports

Councilmember Petitti urged her fellow Councilmembers to attend the Suburban Cities Dinner on September 17. King County Executive Ron Sims will be the guest speaker.

Councilmember Whitten would like to have a discussion on safety requirements for the Skate Park.

Deputy Mayor Gerend attended the Puget Sound Regional Council 520 Tolling Committee meeting. He also attended the Kokanee Working Group meeting. He attended the High Speed Internet and Deployment Work Group sponsored by the state. He attended the Mayor's Soccer Tournament at Skyline High School while Mayor Felling was out of town.

Councilmember Cross also attended the 520 Tolling meeting.

City Manager Report

244th Avenue Project – City has received their permit from the Department of Ecology. The City is applying for a \$3 million Transportation Improvement Board grant. We must wait to see if that grant is received before going out to bid on the project. This will also allow more time to work with the neighbors on solving the roundabout issue. Public Works Director John Cunningham gave an update on the roundabout design. The current design calls for very little property acquisition.

248th Avenue SE – Part of 248th is a private road, surrounded on both sides by a public road. The owners of the private road have requested the city to take over the private road. Staff has been researching the right of way issues involved in taking over this road. Each owner has a stipulation in their deeds which says they can turn the road over if the City requests it. It does require council approval. Staff is currently requesting bids to improve this section of private road. Hopefully the paving will be completed by October. Mr. Cunningham explained that there will not be sidewalks along this street until the adjoining properties develop. Developers will be required to install the full curb, gutter and sidewalk. Storm drainage issues will be dealt with later.

MOTION: Councilmember Whitten moved to have Council formally request that the property owners along 248th Avenue SE dedicate their easements to the City for Public Roadway and utility purposes, as provided for in the language of the easement itself. Councilmember Petitti seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Gerend moved that Council accept the dedications and authorize Staff to record the deeds upon signature by the property owners. Councilmember Petitti seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm

Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Lee Felling, Mayor