

COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting February 19, 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, Mark Cross, Michele Petitti and Nancy Whitten (arrived 6:40 pm).

Councilmember absent: Councilmember Kathleen Huckabay

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. Councilmember Petitti led the pledge.

MOTION: To excuse Councilmember Whitten and Huckabay. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Public Comment

Carl Schwarz: He spoke in favor of a US postal office.

John Galvin: He commented on the Town Center Plan. He has concerns with minimum to maximum return on residential density. It was suggested the Council look at additional commercial opportunities.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: To approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Proclamations/Presentations: None

Student Liaison Report: None

Consent Calendar:

- Payroll for pay period ending January 31, 2008 for pay date February 5, 2008 in the amount of \$221,459.52
- Approval: Claims for period ending February 19, 2008 for Check No. 20103

through Check No. 20232 in the amount of \$1,174,136.15

- **Resolution: Adopting A Policy For Program And Event Sponsorships (R2008-317)**
- **Resolution: Approving The 2008 Work Program And Budget For A Regional Coalition For Housing (ARCH) (R2008-318)**
- **Resolution: Approving The Transfer Of Budgeted Sammamish Funds To The Housing Trust Fund Administered By A Regional Coalition For Housing (R2008-319)**
- **Interlocal: An Agreement for the use of SHB 2060 Local Low Income Housing Funds in King County/ARCH**
- **Contract: 2008/2009 Storm Sewer System Cleaning/Action Services Corporation**
- **Contract: 2008/2009 Street Sweeping Contract/Action Services Corporation**
- **Approval: Minutes for February 5, 2008 Regular Meeting**

MOTION: To approve the consent calendar. Motion was seconded.

AMENDMENT: To remove item #2 (Noelke Property resolution) from the consent calendar and place it as the next item under new business. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

MOTION: To approve consent calendar as amended. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Public Hearing: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business

Town Center Recommendation:

Community Development Director Kamuron Gurol and Planning Commissioner Bob Keller presented the Planning Commission's recommendation on the Town Center. Their presentation addressed public involvement, Planning Commission's motions, changes and rationale of each recommendation, summary of timetable, and vision statement. Motions included commercial development caps, residential development caps, mixed-use development on the West side of 228th, A-4 zone in SW quadrant, stormwater management/LID, transfer of development rights, designation of properties in the Southeast quadrant, Lake Washington School District property, allow for limited single family residential in "B" zones, local transit options, traffic calming designs, destination park, and transit oriented development. (See packet materials for a list of complete recommendations)

Resolution: Selecting the "Noelke" Property Located Along 244th Avenue NE At NE 18th Street As The Preferred Location For The City's New Parks And Public Works

Infrastructure Maintenance Facility.

City Manager Yazici gave the staff report. The Kellman property and the Noelke property were both considered as options to build and operate a maintenance facility. After analysis of both sites, the Noelke property was chosen as the preferred site.

MOTION: To approve a resolution selecting the Noelke property located along 244th Avenue as a preferred site for the City's New Parks and Public Works Infrastructure Maintenance Facility. Motion carried unanimously 6-0. (R2008-316)

Council Reports

Councilmember Barry: He commented on a recent housing report suggesting prices of homes have increased due to stringent land use regulations and the price tags associated with those improvements. In addition, Councilmember Barry announced that the 2008 Sammi Awards will take place on March 8th.

Councilmember Cross: He has concerns with commercial signs bigger than 4x8 feet and whether they are legally sited. If these are legal, he suggests the Council revisit the sign ordinance.

Deputy Mayor Gerend: He complimented the connection between the Hazel Wolf Wetland Trail and the Soaring Eagle Park.

Councilmember Whitten: She encouraged any member of the Sammamish Youth Board to attend PIC meetings.

Councilmember Petitti: She reported on Suburban Cities Association event Saturday, March 29th at the Mercer Island Community Center. The focus of the meeting is investing in youth. Lynne Handlos will be inviting the Sammamish Youth Board and Councilmember Petitti recommends the City pay for any costs associated with the youth's attendance at the meeting. Any student that would like to attend is encouraged to contact Michele Petitti.

Mayor Felling: Reported on a possible community center/youth facility in partnership with the YMCA and Boys n Girls Club. He also suggested that such a facility could also be used as a Senior Center. He attended a class called Leadership Eastside with Dawn Sanders and Michele Petitti.

City Manager Report

City Manger Yazici presented a new option for design to Pine Lake park turn around. A new option was presented with a pull out rather than the roundabout. Councilmember Petitti suggested adding room for 2 additional cars in the pullout.

He reported on a code violation that recently occurred within the entrance to Evans Creek Preserve. Trees were cut down on the property. The City intends to prosecute the violator.

Updates on the Section 36 transfer were presented. King County tentatively has this item on their council agenda for February 25th at 1:00 p.m. Parks Director Jessi Richardson will attend.

City Manager Yazici requested Council look at their calendars and get back to him with possible dates for a joint meeting with the Issaquah School District.

City Manager Yazici also reported on maintenance contracts. After awarding the contracts, the State prevailing wage rate has increased from \$8.42 per hour to \$14.42 per hour. The City is required by State Law to pay the rate increases. Impacts to the budget have increased \$31,424 due to the new rates.

Seattle Times articles and the housing report were distributed to Council Members.

Executive Session – Litigation RCW 42.17.110 (1)(i)

City Council retired to executive session at 9:00 p.m. and returned at 9:37 p.m. No action was taken.

MOTION: To adjourn. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Stacy Herman, Deputy City Clerk

Lee Felling, Mayor