

**CITY OF SAMMAMISH
CITY COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION NOTES
JULY 21, 1999**

Councilmembers present: Mayor Phil Dyer (7:45 p.m.), Deputy Mayor Jack Barry, Councilmembers Don Gerend, Ron Haworth, Kathleen Huckabay and Kenneth Kilroy

Councilmember excused: Councilmember Troy Romero

Deputy Mayor Barry opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Surface Water Services:

Lee Ann Merrill and Larry Gettle provided information to the Council on King County facility maintenance standards, 1999 residential inspections, inquiries to the County over a three-year period, maintenance defects bonds, and commercial drainage facilities. There is no King County follow-up to maintenance correction letters since there is a fee reduction incentive if certificate of correction is provided to the County; there is enforcement authority in King County Code. If Sammamish will provide specifics as to location and type of drainage problem, the County will get answers as to status of the subject problem areas. The interlocal agreement will be on the July 28, 1999 council agenda for action.

Law Enforcement Services:

Councilmember Kilroy presented cost figures he developed using grant monies available to the City that will provide additional dedicated police officers to Sammamish and bring the ratio of officers to population closer to the ratios in surrounding communities. King County Major Denise Pentony, Major Robin Fenton, Captain Bruce Kaelin, and Detective Mary Pat Billingsworth responded to questions relating to service provisions included in this interlocal agreement that will be on the July 28, 1999 agenda for action. The Public Safety Committee will conduct interviews of potential police chief candidates on Thursday, July 29, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall.

City Organization and Staffing Review

Interim City Manager Walton provided two suggested organization charts and staffing schedule for interim and permanent staff. After discussion on needs for specific staff positions, there was agreement that the staffing schedule as presented for 16 positions with some adjustments would meet the needs of the City. Councilmembers will prioritize position hiring dates and provide to the Administration Committee for review.

Comprehensive Plan Strategy

Land Use Committee Vice-Chair Huckabay suggested that a strategy for proceeding with development of the comprehensive plan needs to be discussed by the Council. There was discussion on various options for accomplishing this project. The Council could develop a broad vision for the community, then hold community town hall meetings to focus on specifics for the elements in the comprehensive plan. There was consensus that a

facilitator may be needed; Staff will prepare information on pre-qualified facilitators for Council selection. The first steps for beginning the Comprehensive Plan process should begin shortly after the August 31, 1999 incorporation date (mid-September).

City Boundaries

After some confusion was expressed relating to the status of the Plateau Golf Club and the City boundaries, it has been determined that this facility is within the boundaries of the City.

City Manager

Agreement was reached that the salary range for this position should be \$93,000 to \$102,000.

Annexation to Fire Districts

Administration Committee Chair Haworth reported that the Council will need to adopt a resolution of intent to annex to the three servicing fire districts and also request that service be provided to the City of Sammamish for the year 2000. Some questions have been raised about the fire rating for City properties. Fire Districts advise that there is a current rating of 5; the City can request a rating review to see if this rating can be bettered.

Transportation

Committee Chair Gerend reported that the deadline for submitting grant applications to the State Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) is September 30, 1999. Kato & Warren engineering firm has estimated that an application for design of the next phase of 228th Avenue improvements could be developed for a cost of \$18,400; this would cover scoping meetings and for development of this design. This firm has been working with King County on the 228th Avenue project for some time; a proposed contract will be prepared for the July 28, 1999 agenda.

Eastside Transportation Forum has accepted Sammamish as a member and the City will participate in this group; city entrance signs will be ready by August 31 for installation at four main entrance locations and four subsidiary locations; volunteer traffic counters are needed for the traffic modeling project.

Aerial photos/mapping can be available at a 70% discount if ordered before August 31. Estimated cost is approximately \$18,000 and these maps could then be available for sale to agencies and persons having a need. A proposed contract will be prepared for the July 28, 1999 agenda.

King County has three projects that they have planned and they will complete them, but since the work will not be done until after incorporation, the City will need to grant permission for King County to do the work on the city-owned property. This will be on a future agenda.

Computer Consultant

Finance Chair Huckabay reported that interviews have been completed with several consultants and a proposed contract will be on the July 28, 1999 agenda.

Mitigation Fees

Land Use Committee Vice-Chair Huckabay reported that in order to assess mitigation fees on projects within the City after the August 31 incorporation, a City must have a mitigation fee system in place by September 1. An interlocal needs to be developed with King County to be on an agenda as soon as possible.

Issaquah Annexation

Intergovernmental Committee Chair Dyer reported that in a meeting with Issaquah, the City was asked to advocate for the proposed annexation, but we have declined since the area is outside of the growth area.

Human Services

Chair Barry reported that a Parks and Recreation Staff report is being prepared for a future study session. The logo designs have been reviewed and several selected as a potential City logo; a selection will be made and the logo will be ready for the August 28 incorporation celebration.