

**City of Sammamish
City Council Minutes
Regular Meeting
October 18, 2000**

Mayor Jack Barry called the regular meeting of the Sammamish City Council to order at 7:30 pm.

Councilmembers present: Mayor Jack Barry, Deputy Mayor Troy Romero, Councilmembers Phil Dyer, Don Gerend, Ron Haworth, Kathleen Huckabay, Kenneth Kilroy.

Staff present: City Manager Michael Wilson, Director of Administrative Services Dennis Richards, Public Works/Finance Director Ben Yazici, Director of Community Development Ray Gilmore, Police Chief Richard Baranzini, City Attorney Bruce Disend and City Clerk Melonie Anderson.

Roll Call/Pledge

Roll was called. Councilmember Haworth led the pledge.

Introduction of Special Guests and Presentations

Mayor Barry introduced Boy Scout Troup 695. The members present are working on their Citizenship and Communications badges by attending the Council meeting

Police Chief Baranzini presented Officer Mike DeMorato with the Officer of the Third Quarter award.

1. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Councilmember Huckabay moved to approve the agenda. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

2. Mayor/Council/Committee Reports

- Public Safety Committee (Councilmember Kilroy): No report.
- Public Works Committee (Councilmember Haworth): The Committee is checking to see if the removable barriers that were place by King County or area developers on some completed projects could now be removed.
- Eastlake High School Report (Student Liaison Lin Yang): Asked the Sammamish Police to keep up their good work and help ensure Eastlake has a great Homecoming this weekend. Senior Projects will be presented on May 24, 2001 and the students presented their proposed topics this week. Boys Tennis has their first winning season this year (7-2, Third Place in Kingco).

- Councilmember Gerend reported the Puget Sound Regional Council is working on their transportation plan and will make a presentation to state legislative representatives on October 20 at 7:30 am
- Community Development (Councilmember Dyer): No report. The committee will meet again on November 15.
- Finance (Councilmember Huckabay): Committee reviewed the 2001/2002 City Budget. Councilmember Huckabay attended the Growth Management Committee meeting for Puget Sound Regional Council on transportation. Final plan should be ready by March 2001.
- Mayor's Report (Mayor Barry): He has written a response to an editorial that appeared in the Eastside Journal on Tuesday, October 17 regarding the East Lake Sammamish Trail. He asked other Councilmembers to support this response by signing it. He will send it to the newspaper on Thursday, October 18. A copy of his response is available upon request by contacting the City Clerk.
- Councilmember Dyer read several letters from citizens that complimented the staff, most specifically Ben Yazici and Councilmember Gerend.

2. Public Comment

Mark Cross, 247 208th Avenue NE, Urged Council to consider how Eastlake Sammamish Parkway would interact with the proposed trail and how the City of Sammamish will be linked to the whole trail plan. He would also like to see more opportunity for citizens to give their opinions to Council on proposed trail plans.

Steve Franklin, 2808 223rd Place NE, Expressed concern over the possibility of Northeast Sammamish Water/Sewer District merging with the Plateau Water/Sewer District and how that would affect its current customers. He also expressed opposition to widening Sahalee Way more than its current two lanes.

Toni Hardesty, 2526 227th Place NE, Speaking on behalf of the Heritage Hills Homeowners Association she said the Association is concerned about the merger of the water districts, the widening of Sahalee Way and the downgrading of Eastlake Sammamish Parkway.

Beata Baker, 169 221st Avenue NE, Invited everyone to attend the Sammamish Chamber of Commerce luncheon tomorrow to hear the local legislative district candidates speak. Lunch is held at Providence Point, Bellwood Retirement Center beginning at 11:30 am. The meetings are held every third Thursday.

John Galvin, 432 228th Avenue SE, Expressed concern over the future character of 228th Avenue and asked for clarity as to what the zoning will be along the street.

Rory Chrispen, 3023 Eastlake Sammamish Parkway SE, Feels that his property is being more frequently vandalized since it was made public that the County was proposing interim use of the Eastlake Sammamish trail.

Tom Harmon, 2303 West Beaver Lake Drive, Reminded Council about the Plateau Water/Sewer District Public meeting to consider the Comprehensive Water Plan.

Mike Rundle, 2470 196th Avenue SE, Urged a planning process in the City regarding the Eastlake Sammamish Trail. He presented a petition from 93 property owners long the proposed trail in support of forming a Local Improvement District (LID) to fund an alternative trail site located only on land owned by the City and local homeowners.

Michael Wilson explained the next step in forming the LID would be to put together a cost-analysis and do some preliminary engineering.

3. Consent Calendar

- a) **Claims for period ending October 18, 2000 in the amount of \$958,142.25**
- b) **Payroll and benefits for period September 16 –30 in the amount of \$85,176.84**
- c) **Contract: Growth Management Grant (GMA)/Washington State Office of Community Development (OCD)**

MOTION: Councilmember Huckabay moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Councilmember Kilroy seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

4. Unfinished Business - None

5. New Business

a) Hardship Exception/James Guse

Community Development Director Ray Gilmore explained this was the second request for a hardship exemption by Mr. Guse. He has included some additional information explaining his hardship. Council may either approve or deny the exemption

PUBLIC COMMENT

Joe Guse, 4204 South 249th, Kent, He spoke on behalf of Jim Guse who was unable to attend the meeting.

Deputy Mayor Romero asked if it had been established that Mr. Guse was given incorrect information from staff earlier in the process. Mr. Gilmore reported that Mr. Guse might have been given information that was correct at the time.

MOTION: Councilmember Dyer moved to send the request for exception back to the Community Development Committee to consider at the November 15, 2000 meeting. Councilmember Kilroy seconded. Motion carried 6-1 with Councilmember Gerend dissenting.

b) Ordinance: First Reading 2000 Budget Amendment

Public Works/Finance Director Ben Yazici gave the staff report. Since adoption in December of 1999, the FY 2000 budget has changed significantly. There were four major reasons for the budget amendment: (1) more capital investments were made in the purchase of parks and public works improvements. The most significant increases were due to opportunities Council took advantage of such as purchasing 185 acres for open space, improving sidewalks around two local schools and the purchase of a city shops site. (2) Council approved increased staff positions throughout the year to provide more responsive customer service. (3) There was no historical information to base the current budget on. (4) Changes were made in investment strategies. The total approved 2000 budget was \$14,371,800. The budget amendment is for a reduction of \$534,785. The total amended budget for 2000 will be \$13,837,015. This is not a reduction in the total budget since some department budgets were decreased but others were significantly increased. The City Council budget decreased by \$61,000. The City Manager/Administration budget was increase by \$95,781 to include the positions of Administrative Assistant and Information Systems Coordinator. The City Clerk's budget was reduced by \$3,875 because the Clerk was hired late in the year. Public Safety budget was decrease by \$10,400. General Fund budget was decreased by \$932, 421 because the debt was not paid off. Community Development staff budget was increased by \$399,000. Hearing Examiner's budget was increase by \$6,700 due to extended development hearings. The Building Department did not hire staff as early in the year as anticipated and did not use projected review services. The net decrease was \$1, 843,040. The City also did not receive the anticipated revenues in this department so the workload demand was not as high.

Projected expenditures for the remaining months of 2000 include \$5.8 for Capital funds which include the lightening for Bill Reams Park, Sammamish Plateau Corridor Study (which will be reimbursed by King County later in the year), the Surface Water Comprehensive Plan, the purchase of a city shop location in the amount of \$260,000 and the recent purchase of 183 acres of park property for \$1.5 million. Not all the money will be spent this year and will be reflected in the Ending Fund Balance to keep the books balanced.

Traffic Impact Fees are being reduced by \$4.5 million because of the building moratorium and the original budget assumed all impact fees had to go in the impact fee fund. These funds could be deposited in other funds and \$3.9 million was put into the Capital Fund.

All comments from the Finance Committee will be taken into account; the budget amendment will be revised to reflect these comments and will be brought back to Council for final consideration in November. Councilmember Huckabay explained there might be a need for yet another budget amendment before the end of the year.

Councilmember Gerend requested a presentation on the FY 2000 revenues.

Council recessed from 8:50 pm to 9:05 pm.

c) Resolution: Approving the inclusion of the City of Sammamish in Eastside Fire & Rescue, a joint operation of the Cities of Issaquah and North Bend and King

County Fire Protection District Nos. 10 and 38; and authorizing the City Manager to sign an interlocal agreement amendment to accomplish this inclusion.

City Manager Michael Wilson gave the staff presentation. This resolution before Council is to provide some introductory language that is consistent with what other cities have in their agreement.

MOTION: Councilmember Haworth moved to approve Resolution R2000-59, authorizing the City Manager to sign an agreement for inclusion in the joint operation of fire and emergency services with EF & R. Councilmember Kilroy seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Councilmember Huckabay questioned whether the City would be liable for paying more than the agreed \$500,000 per year in the contract. Mr. Wilson said they City would not be required to pay additional funds.

Public Comment:

Lee Softich, Chief/Eastside Fire and Rescue, North Bend and Issaquah City Councils have voted unanimously to have Sammamish become part of the joint operation and he anticipates District No.10 and No.38 will do so shortly.

d) Agreement: King County Fire Protection District No. 10 and City of Sammamish Asset Payment

Mr. Wilson explained this agreement prescribes that both District No.10 and the City will meet before the end of December 2000 to decide what the assets of the district are and what percentage will be distributed to the City.

MOTION: Councilmember Haworth moved to approve the agreement with District 10 for asset payment. Councilmember Kilroy seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

e) Agreement: Fires Services Settlement Eastside Fire and Rescue, City of Sammamish, City of Redmond and King County District No. 34.

Mr. Wilson said this settlement agreement between the City, Redmond and Eastside Fire and Rescue is the result of a negotiated agreement between the parties. Three details of this agreement have not been resolved, reporting, fire liaison and the length of the agreement. He recommended tabling this agreement to the next Council meeting. Councilmember Haworth commented that the reporting requirements should remain in the contract. He also feels the pay off period and the services contract should be for the same length of time. He questioned the asset distribution as well.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Romero moved to table the agreement to the November 1, 2000 Council meeting. Councilmember Kilroy seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

f) Contract: Construction Management Contract with Gray & Osborne for School Sidewalk Projects

Councilmember Haworth gave the report. This contract is for sidewalk construction inspection services for the School Sidewalk Improvement Project. Due to the City's limited staff, it is necessary to contract for these services. The amount of the contract is \$23,600. Councilmember Kilroy questioned the amount of the contract.

MOTION: Councilmember Haworth moved to authorize the City Manager to sign a contract with Gray and Osborne for Sidewalk construction inspection services not to exceed \$23,600. Deputy Mayor Romero seconded. Motion carried 6-1 with Councilmember Kilroy dissenting.

Adjournment: Mayor Jack Barry adjourned the meeting at 9:35 pm.

Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Jack Barry, Mayor