

# COUNCIL MINUTES

## Regular Meeting September 5, 2001

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

**Councilmembers present:** Mayor Troy Romero, Deputy Mayor Ken Kilroy, Councilmembers Jack Barry, Phil Dyer (absent from 8:55 pm to 9:15 pm), Don Gerend, Ron Haworth (left at 8:45 pm) and Kathleen Huckabay.

**Staff present:** City Manager Ben Yazici, Assistant City Manager Pete Butkus, Director of Public Works John Cunningham, Planning Manager David Sawyer, Parks Manager Jeff Watling, City Attorney Bruce Disend and City Clerk Melonie Anderson.

### Roll Call/Pledge

Roll was called. Councilmember Dyer led the pledge.

### **1. Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Huckabay moved to approve the agenda. Deputy Mayor Kilroy seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 7-0.

### Introduction and Presentations

Eagle Scout Recognition: Mayor Romero presented certificates recognizing the achievement of local young men in achieving the Eagle Scout status within the Boys Scouts of America. Those receiving awards were Landon Davis, Michael Thomas, Brian Nielsen, Matt Williams, Devin Fowler, Juan Mayorga, Chase Spencer, Taylor Millett, Scott Wooten and J.J. Santos

The Mayor also recognized members of Cub Scout Troop #751, Jamison Gritch, Mathew MacDonald, Evan Packwick and Patrick Ennin who were in attendance to earn a Citizenship badge.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Dyer moved to suspend the rules. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion passed 6 to 1 with Councilmember Haworth dissenting.

**MOTION:** Deputy Mayor Kilroy moved to amend the agenda and move the Executive Session to be Item #12. Councilmember Huckabay seconded. Motion passed unanimously 7-0.

## MAYOR/COUNCIL/COMMITTEE REPORTS

- *Public Safety Committee* (Councilmember Haworth): He reported that the Fire Department has purchased nine new fire trucks, four of which will be City-owned property. They will be red and white instead of yellow. They should be on the streets in a few weeks.
- *Finance Committee* (Councilmember Huckabay): No Report.
- *Public Works Committee* (Councilmember Gerend): Construction of sidewalks has been started on 216<sup>th</sup> NE this week (near Margaret Mead Elementary School) and will start near Samantha Smith Elementary school next week. 228<sup>th</sup> Phase 1a has a dislocation in the alignment of the street near the Issaquah-Pine Lake Road. There are some other problems with that section of roadway and corrections are being made. 228<sup>th</sup> Phase 1b is 75% complete, on budget and on time. Final paving is scheduled for October 23, 2001. 228<sup>th</sup> Phase 1c is just beginning. Several meetings have been held with business and property owners. A public open house is schedule for September 20. The committee also discussed the progress of the Sound Transit funding request.
- *Eastlake High School Report* (Student Liaison Ali Khaki): School started this week. Fall sports will start this weekend.
- *Skyline High School Report* (Student Liaison Courtney Paine ) School started this week. Parking at the school is an issue that the school is working on.
- *Mayor's Report*: The 2001 Budget earned the Washington Finance Officers Association's Distinguished Budget Award. The Mayor emceed the Eighth Annual Beaver Lake Triathlon. It was very successful. The 228<sup>th</sup> Avenue Phase 1a ribbon cutting ceremony will take place on September 15, 2001 at 10:00 am in the Wells Fargo parking lot. The Mayor also reported on the Community Development Committee joint meeting with representatives from Issaquah's Major Development and Regional Affairs Committee (MADRAC), Issaquah City Councilmembers, Issaquah City Staff and representatives from Providence Point and Klahanie. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss joint growth concerns and annexation issues.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Fred Wilson, 1547 211<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Encouraged Council to support and encourage the construction and opening of the Eastlake Sammamish Interim Trail

Lisa Dally Wilson, 1547 211<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Spoke in favor of opening the Interim Eastlake Sammamish Trail.

Janey Whitt, 1608 E. Lake Sammamish Place SE, Gave Council a letter strongly opposing the alternative by-pass route proposed for the Interim Eastlake Sammamish Trail.

Bente Pasko, 22109 NE 21<sup>st</sup> Way, Spoke in favor of opening the Interim Eastlake Sammamish Trail. She requested Council be an advocate for the trail issues they can affect.

Steve Oiein, 1633 209<sup>th</sup> Place NE, Spoke in favor of opening the Interim Eastlake Sammamish Trail.

Gerry Brewster, 23623 NE 7<sup>th</sup> Court, Spoke in favor of opening the Interim Eastlake Sammamish Trail.

Megan Brewster, 23623 NE 7<sup>th</sup> Court, Spoke in favor of opening the Interim Eastlake Sammamish Trail.

David Holm, 20129 SE 32<sup>nd</sup>, Spoke in favor of opening the Interim Eastlake Sammamish Trail.

Ed Eick, 21330 SE 39<sup>th</sup> Street, Spoke in favor of opening the Interim Eastlake Sammamish Trail.

Art Veyna, 3940 262<sup>nd</sup> Avenue SE, Spoke in favor of opening the Interim Eastlake Sammamish Trail.

Jen Bird, 3310 221<sup>st</sup> Avenue SE, Spoke in favor of opening the Interim Eastlake Sammamish Trail.

Linda Riefer, 19606 SE 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, Did an independent poll of residents and found 300 in favor of opening Eastlake Sammamish Trail as soon as possible.

Jim Wexler, 2025 201 Avenue SE, Spoke in favor of opening the Interim Eastlake Sammamish Trail.

Steve Stevligson, 24938 Redmond Fall City Hwy, representing Sammamish Plateau Water & Sewer District, Requested a joint meeting between the Community Development Committee and the District to discuss the water allocation issues.

Charlie Bird, 3310 223<sup>rd</sup> Avenue SE, Spoke in favor of opening the Interim Eastlake Sammamish Trail.

Tom Harman, 2302 W. Beaver Lake Drive SE, He thanked the Mayor for his help with the Beaver Lake Triathlon. Council meetings are still being televised on Channel 77 at 4:30 am.

Council adjourned from 8:45 pm until 8:55 pm.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 1. Claims for period ending September 1, 2001 the amount of \$725,647.53 for Check No. 4129 through Check No. 4215**
- 2. Payroll for pay period ending August 31, 2001 for pay date September 5, 2001 in the amount of \$83,090.26**

**MOTION:** Deputy Mayor Kilroy moved to approve the consent calendar. Councilmember Haworth seconded. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

**3. Public Hearing**

**An ordinance of the city of Sammamish, Washington, pertaining to land use and zoning, amending sections 19.26.060 and 19.26.150 of the Interim Sammamish Development Code to reduce the number of allowable lots in a single short subdivision from nine to four, reducing the number of allowable lots in contiguous short plats from thirteen to eight, reducing the allowable time for re-shortplating from ten to five years and reducing the maximum number of allowable lots of a short plat alteration from eight to four and on contiguous properties from thirteen to eight.**

Planning Manager David Sawyer gave the staff report. There will be a second reading of this ordinance after the public hearing.

Public Hearing opened at 8:55 pm.

*No public comment*

Public Hearing closed at 8:56 pm

**Unfinished Business**

**4. Ordinance: Second Reading of an ordinance of the City of Sammamish, Washington, pertaining to land use and zoning, amending sections 19.26.060 and 19.26.150 of the Interim Sammamish Development Code as read at Public Hearing**

Councilmember Huckabay said the Community Development Committee has discussed this ordinance and the committee recommends passage.

**MOTION: Councilmember Huckabay moved to adopt the ordinance pertaining to land use and zoning amending Sections 19.26.060 and 19.26.150 of the Interim Sammamish Development Code as read at the public hearing. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion passed unanimously 5-0 (O2001-87).**

**New Business**

**5. Hardship Exception/Reconsideration of request for Frates/Morgan**

This request was withdrawn from Council consideration.

**6. Ordinance: First Reading of an ordinance amending the established salaries for all City Councilmembers as set forth in Ordinance No. 099-16; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date**

City Manager Ben Yazici gave the staff report. The policy of the City Council has always been to provide competitive salaries for all staff members. After conducting a statewide survey, the results showed that Sammamish Councilmembers are the lowest paid in the state. Councilmembers of a new city devote more time to city business than Councilmembers of established cities. The ordinance proposes to raise Council salaries to \$850 per month and the to raise the Mayor's salary to \$950 per month. This raise will not go in to effect until after January. This is the first reading of the ordinance. No action is requested.

**7. An Ordinance of the City of Sammamish, Washington, amending Ordinance No. 099-37, to extend the terms of office for the Parks and Recreation Commission members**

Mr. Yazici explained this ordinance is amending O99-37 to be in agreement with the Park and Recreation Commission rules stipulating that terms will expire in December. Councilmember Huckabay expressed concern there is no procedure in place to fill future expired terms. Mayor Romero asked for this issue to be discussed at the next Study Session.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Huckabay moved to suspend the rules and approve this ordinance on the first reading. Councilmember Kilroy seconded. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Huckabay moved to adopt an ordinance amending Ordinance O99-37, extending the terms of office for Parks and Recreation Commission members(O2001-88)

**8. A Resolution of the City of Sammamish, Washington, authorizing the City Manager to execute a Quitclaim deed to transfer real property**

Mr. Yazici explained that King County erroneously transferred a piece of property to the City of Sammamish that is actually within the city limits of Bellevue. This quitclaim deed will correct this error and transfer the property back to King County.

**MOTION:** Deputy Mayor Kilroy moved to authorize the City Manager to execute a Quitclaim deed to transfer real property. Councilmember Huckabay seconded. Motion passed unanimously 6-0.

**9. Property Acquisition: Parks Department**

Parks Manager Jeff Watling gave the staff report. This is a request to purchase a 12 acre parcel of property located along the 212<sup>th</sup> Avenue corridor. As identified by the City's Draft Park Acquisition plan, this area of the city is lacking in park property. The Park & Recreation Commission is in favor of this acquisition. The price for the property is \$950,000.

**MOTION:** Deputy Mayor Kilroy moved to authorize the City Manager to purchase the 12-acre parcel for a price not to exceed \$950,000. Councilmember Huckabay seconded. Motion passed unanimously 6-0.

**10. Bid Award: City Vehicle Purchase**

Assistant City Manager Pete Butkus gave the staff report. The additional City vehicle is needed for the recently hired Code Enforcement Officer.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Dyer moved to authorize the City Manager to purchase a city vehicle from Titus Will Ford for an amount not to exceed \$18,000. Councilmember Huckabay seconded. Motion passed unanimously 6-0.

## **11. Bid Award: Inglewood Hill Road NE/ 216<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE Intersection Improvement**

Mr. Yazici gave the staff report. This project is for the improvement of the intersection at Inglewood Hill Road and 216<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE. This project was put out for bid and the bids were opened September 5, 2001 at 2:00 pm. The low bidder was Mid Mountain and staff is recommending awarding this bid to them. Construction on this project will not start until there are at least two lanes of traffic moving through the 228<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE Phase 1b construction area.

**MOTION: Councilmember Huckabay moved to award the bid for the 216<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE and Inglewood Hill Road NE for intersection improvements. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion passed unanimously 6-0.**

### **City Manager's Report**

- a. Newsletter: Mr. Yazici said the City newsletter may be delivered by the Sammamish Review in an effort to maximize coverage and reduce mailing costs.
- b. Finance Director Lyman Howard gave a PowerPoint presentation on the City's financial status. A copy of this presentation is available on the City's web site at [www.ci.sammamish.wa.us](http://www.ci.sammamish.wa.us). Or by requesting a copy from the City Clerk.

## **12. Executive Session**

The Council retired to executive session at 10:10 pm to discuss property acquisition (RCW 42.30.110 (1) (b) and potential litigation (RCW 42.30.220 (1) (i)). They reconvened at 10:20.

**Adjournment** – Mayor Romero adjourned the meeting at 10:20 pm

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Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

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H. Troy Romero, Mayor