

# COUNCIL MINUTES

## Regular Meeting September 19, 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, Don Gerend, Ron Haworth and Kathleen Huckabay.

**Staff present:** City Manager Ben Yazici, Director of Public Works John Cunningham, Senior Project Engineer Jae Lee, Special Project Manager Matt Mathes, City Attorney Stephen King and City Clerk Melonie Anderson.

### Roll Call/Pledge

Roll was called. Councilmember Dyer asked for a minute of silence to reflect on the events of September 11, 2001 and then led the pledge.

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

MOTION: Councilmember Gerend moved to approve the agenda. Deputy Mayor Kilroy seconded. The motion passed unanimously 7-0.

MOTION: Councilmember Gerend moved to suspend the rules to move the Executive Session to the end of the meeting. Deputy Mayor Kilroy seconded. Motion failed 1 to 6 with Mayor Romero, Deputy Mayor Kilroy and Councilmembers Barry, Dyer, Haworth and Huckabay dissenting

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION - Property Acquisition pursuant to RCW42.30.110 (1) (b)**

Council retired to Executive Session at 7:30 pm and returned at 8:05 pm. Councilmember Dyer said there will be a significant announcement made on September 20, 2001 regarding the discussion in Executive Session.

### **MAYOR/COUNCIL/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- *Public Safety Committee* (Councilmember Haworth): No report. The next committee meeting will be October 23, 2001 at 5:30 pm
- *Finance Committee* (Councilmember Huckabay): No report.
- *Community Development Committee* (Councilmember Dyer): No report: The next committee meeting is October 23, 2001 at 6:30 pm.

- *Public Works Committee* (Councilmember Gerend): The Public Works Committee has not met since the last meeting. He reported on the status of the City's request for funding from Sound Transit. Councilmember Gerend also explained that the County is in the process of changing the legislative districts and there are four alternatives that will be discussed at the next King County Council Meeting.
- *Skyline High School Report* (Student Liaison Courtney Paine): The school spent time making cards and tributes for the victims of last weeks events in New York City and Washington DC.
- *Eastlake High School Report* (Student Liaison Ali Khaki): Reported on the students' reactions to last week's events.
- *Mayor's Report*: The Mayor reported on the 228<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE "Phase 1a" ribbon cutting ceremony and displayed a plaque awarded to the City by the Public Works Board.

**MOTION:** Deputy Mayor Kilroy moved to authorize the City Manager to send a donation for the victims of last week's tragedy from the City of Sammamish to the American Red Cross in the amount of \$5,000. Councilmember Huckabay seconded. Motion passed unanimously 7-0.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Gerend moved to send a delegation to the next King County Council meeting in response to the proposed redistricting maps for the King County Council legislative districts. He asked that the City support "Map D". Councilmember Dyer seconded.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Dyer moved to table the motion until all Councilmembers agreed on supporting one map. Councilmember Barry seconded. The motion passed unanimously 7-0.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Scott Hamilton, 19727 SE 19<sup>th</sup> Street, He gave Council a handout suggesting cheaper alternatives to paved sidewalks.

Jim McGraw, 1525 2348<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, He spoke regarding a Puget Sound Energy natural gas line that is being installed in his neighborhood. He feels he has not been kept informed and that PSE is overbuilding the line.

Nancy Whitten, PO Box 1284 Issaquah, WA, Brought to Council's attention that no one was given the opportunity for public comment before the moratorium was extended. She requested Council inform citizens how best to be recognized when wishing to speak.

Vicki Barres, 2305 East Lake Sammamish SE, She spoke against the opening of the Eastlake Sammamish Interim Trail.

Tom Harman, 2302 W. Beaver Lake Drive SE, Sammamish Community Television is recruiting high school students to become interns for the station. There will be a "Candidate Forum" on October 4 at the Issaquah Lodge sponsored by the Beaver Lake Community Club and the Sammamish Review.

Steve Stevligson, 24938 Redmond Falls City Highway, Announced a joint meeting between the Sammamish Plateau Water & Sewer District and the Community Development Committee on October 23.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 1. Claims for period ending September 19, 2001 the amount of \$1,630,874.85 for Check No. 4216 through Check No. 4284**
- 2. Minutes of the August 22, 2001 Special Meeting/Study Session**
- 3. Minutes Of The September 5, 2001 Regular Meeting**

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

#### **Unfinished Business**

- 4. 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 recommendation is to raise council salaries to be comparable to other eastside cities. Council salaries would be raised from \$400 to \$850 per month and the Mayor's salary would be raised from \$500 to \$950 per month.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Haworth moved to adopt an ordinance increasing Councilmembers' salaries to become effective January 1, 2002. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion passed 5 to 2 with Councilmembers Dyer and Huckabay dissenting (O2001-89).

#### **New Business**

- 5. Resolution: Final Plat Approval Trossachs Division 9**

Special Projects Manager Matt Mathes gave the staff report. This is a project that was vested under King County although all the impact fees have been paid to the City of Sammamish. The staff is recommending the approval of the final plat for this 12-lot project.

Mike Miller, 11410 Bel-Red Road, Representing Pacific Properties, the developer of Trossachs. He answer some Council questions regarding improvements on Duthie Hill Road.

Tom Harman, spoke previously, He asked if the connection between Beaver Lake Drive and Trossachs was part of the final plat approval.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Huckabay moved to approve the final plat of Trossachs Division 9. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion passed unanimously 7-0 (R2001-86).

Council recessed from 9:00 pm to 9:20 pm

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

#### **a) Awards**

Mr. Yazici reminded that Council that a joint meeting with the Issaquah School District is scheduled for October 9, 2001 at Pine Lake Middle School. An appreciation dinner for all the board and commission members is being planned for October. He asked Council to decide on a date for the 2002 Council retreat. January 11 and 12 was the weekend chosen.

Mr. Yazici asked the Council to consider financial support for the first annual Sammi Awards. The date of the awards has been changed to late January. The committee has provided an informational budget. The committee is expecting a short-fall of about \$4,300. Mr. Yazici suggested having Council authorize him to provide In-Kind services such as printing, providing the facility and the awards, decorations and disposable tableware. He also suggested asking the Symphony to donate their services. This would help the committee stay within budget.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Barry moved to authorize the City Manager to help and give In-Kind services where appropriate and financial support in an amount not to exceed \$2,000 for the Sammi Awards. Councilmember Dyer seconded. Motion passed unanimously 7-0.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Haworth moved to bring back to the table the consideration of support for the King County redistricting Map D. Councilmember Huckabay seconded. Motion passed unanimously 7-0.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Dyer moved to condition support of Map D on a phone canvassing all the area elected officials to confirm they also support Map D. Councilmember Haworth seconded. Motion passed unanimously 7-0.

**Adjournment** – Mayor Romero adjourned the meeting at 10:00 pm

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Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

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H. Troy Romero, Mayor