

# COUNCIL MINUTES

## Regular Meeting July 17, 2007

Mayor Mark Cross called the regular meeting of the Sammamish City Council to order at 6:30 pm.

**Councilmembers present:** Mayor Mark Cross, Deputy Mayor Lee Felling, Councilmembers Jack Barry, Don Gerend, Kathleen Huckabay, Michele Petitti and Nancy Whitten.

**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. Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Lyman Howard led the pledge.

### Public Comment - None

### Approval of Agenda

**MOTION:** Councilmember Whitten requested removal from the Consent Calendar of Item #3 Contract for Transfer of Development Rights/Cascade Land Conservancy and place under New Business. Deputy Mayor Felling moved to approve the amended agenda. Councilmember Huckabay seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

### Presentations/Proclamations

Deputy Mayor Felling read a summary statement outlining the performance of the City Manager Ben Yazici for the year. Based on his outstanding performance he was awarded a \$5,000 bonus.

### Quarterly Reports

- Police
- Fire
- Administrative Services
- Finance

*(A PowerPoint of the presentation is available on the city's website at [www.ci.sammamish.wa.us](http://www.ci.sammamish.wa.us) or upon request of the City Clerks Office.)*

### Consent Calendar

**Payroll for pay period ending June 30, 2007 for pay date July 5, 2007 in the amount of \$226,541.57**

**Approval: Claims for period ending July 4, 2007 in the amount of \$1,414,347.32 For Check No.18484 through Check No.18602**

**Amendment: Shoreline Master Program/ESA Adolfson**

**Resolution: Accepting The City Of Sammamish Beaver Lake Preserve Phase 1 Parking Lot Construction Project As Complete**

**Resolution: Accepting The City Of Sammamish Ebright Creek Park Construction Project As Complete**

**Settlement Agreement: Yakima County Jail**

Consent Calendar was approved as amended.

**Unfinished Business - None**

**New Business**

**Contract: Transfer of Development Rights/Cascade Land Conservancy**

Community Development Director Kamuron Gurol gave the staff report. The contract is for phase one in forming the Transfer of Development Rights regulations. Cascade Land Conservancy is matching funds with the City for this project.

MOTION: Councilmember Petitti moved to authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement with Cascade Land Conservancy for Phase One of the Transfer Of Development Rights ordinance in an amount not to exceed \$30,000. A joint meeting with the Planning Commission will be established early in the planning of the project. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Councilmember Whitten felt that the Cascade Land Conservancy may not be the best consultant to use on this project since their goals might be different from the City's. She would also like to limit the scope of any Transfer of Development Rights program to the town center only.

Council recessed from 9:05 pm to 9:10 pm.

**Council Reports**

**City Manager Report**

City Manager Ben Yazici updated the Council on citizen concerns over the placement of a new wireless facility in Trossachs. Mr. Yazici recommended the Council reevaluate the placement priorities in wireless facility ordinance. In the near future staff will organize some meetings with the residents of Trossachs to explain the process etc. Staff will also meet with the owner of the

wireless facility to see if they will voluntarily relocate the tower. There may be some costs involved in this relocation.

There is a vacancy in the Parks Department with the departure of one Parks Planner. Because the current salary level is below surrounding cities, it may be difficult to fill the position and it may be necessary to advertise the position at a higher level.

**Executive Session** – Personnel pursuant to RCW42.30.110(1)(g) and Property Acquisition pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(c)

Council retired to Executive Session at 9:55 pm and returned at 10:35 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 pm

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Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

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Mark Cross, Mayor