

COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting October 21, 2014

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

Councilmembers present:

Mayor Tom Vance
Deputy Mayor Kathy Huckabay
Councilmember Don Gerend
Councilmember Bob Keller
Councilmember Tom Odell (arrived at 6:40 pm)
Councilmember Ramiro Valderrama
Councilmember Nancy Whitten

Staff present:

Ben Yazici, City Manager
Lyman Howard, Deputy City Manager
Jeff Thomas, Community Development Director
Joe Guinasso, Finance and Technical Services Director
Chris Gianini, Finance Deputy Director
Cheryl Paston, Public Works Deputy Director
Jeff Brauns, City Engineer
Beth Goldberg, Director of Administrative Services
Mike Kenyon, City Attorney
Melonie Anderson, City Clerk
Lita Hachey, Administrative Assistant to the City Clerk

Roll Call

Roll was called.

Flag Ceremony/Pledge of Allegiance

Scout Pack 225 performed the Flag ceremony and led the pledge.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Huckabay moved to approve the agenda and the consent agenda as amended. Councilmember Keller seconded. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Deputy Mayor Huckabay requested to remove Bill # 2: Ordinance: Prohibiting The Establishment, Location, Operation Licensing, Maintenance Or Continuation Of Recreational Marijuana Processing,

Producing And Retailing; Providing For Severability; And Establishing An Effective Date, from the consent agenda and be placed after Item # 8, Public Works Standards update, on the agenda

Student Liaison Reports

- Skyline High School – Student Liaison, Alyssa Forney gave an update on school events and activities. Homecoming was on the 11th of October. The parade was held on the 10th. Last Wednesday was the Freshman Focus program for ninth graders. This encourages freshman to get more involved with the community. Next week is fall sports recognition week and ASB is getting ready for the Veteran’s Day assembly. Issaquah School District has teamed up with Swedish Medical Center to help meet the mental health needs of the student body.

Presentations/Proclamations

- Friend of the Issaquah Salmon Hatchery
 - Mary Lou Pauly, Councilmember, City of Issaquah/ F.I.S.H. Board of Director
 - Kelly Richardson, F.I.S.H. Board of Director gave a presentation, available upon request to the City Clerk, Melonie Anderson. manderson@sammamish.us

Public Comment

Carrie Vasko, 19411 NE 43 Place, spoke regarding the Phoenix House program for treatment and prevention of the use of marijuana and she is against the sale of marijuana in Sammamish.

Reid Brockway, 167 E Lake Sammamish Shore Lane NE, spoke regarding the East Lake Sammamish Trail Improvements and the history of the ownership issues.

George Toskey, 2727 E Lake Sammamish Shore Lane NE, spoke regarding the East Lake Sammamish Trail alignment issues. Showed a PowerPoint presentation, available upon request to the City Clerk, Melonie Anderson at manderson@sammamish.us

Larry Crandall, 4335 Issaquah Pine Lake Road SE, spoke with regard to the SAMMI Awards Foundation. Submitted a comment sheet, available upon request to the City Clerk, Melonie Anderson at manderson@sammamish.us

Scott Hamilton, 19727 SE 19th Street, spoke regarding the East Lake Sammamish Trail improvements and the widening constraints.

Chris Kents, 1755 E Lake Sammamish Pkwy NE, spoke regarding the East Lake Sammamish Trail Improvements and the permitting issues.

Scott Fletcher, 23028 SE 16th Street, on behalf of the Pine Hill Homeowners Association, spoke regarding the changes to the Public Works Standards and how it will affect the streets and connectivity in Sammamish.

Christie Malchow, 20920 SE 8th Place, spoke regarding the Public Works Standards and showed a presentation which is available upon request to the City Clerk, Melonie Anderson at manderson@sammamish.us

Usha Kishinchadani, 21070 SE 8th Street, spoke regarding the Public Works Standards and asked how the five goals benefit the residents of Sammamish.

Geetha Peterson, 21140 SE 8th Street, spoke regarding the Public Works Standards and opposes lowering the road width standards for public streets.

Charles Hemphill, 2226 246th Place NE, Sammamish, spoke in favor of the proposed ban on the marijuana in Sammamish.

Consent Agenda

Approval: Claims for period ending October 21, 2014 in the amount of \$ 3,804,400.68 for Check No. 38745 through 38881

~~**Ordinance:** Prohibiting The Establishment, Location, Operation, Licensing, Maintenance Or Continuation Of Recreational Marijuana Processing, Producing And Retailing; Providing For Severability; And Establishing An Effective Date~~

Approval: Notes for the City Council Committee of the Whole Meeting on September 15, 2014

Approval: Minutes for the City Council Regular Meeting on September 16, 2014

New Business

Human Service Grants – Committee Recommendation

Councilmember Keller gave a committee report and showed a PowerPoint presentation (*available on the city's website at www.sammamish.us*).

City Clerk, Melonie Anderson, gave a staff report and showed a PowerPoint presentation (*available on the city's website at www.sammamish.us*).

Councilmember Whitten would like to increase the dollar amount for funding the Human Services and discuss this at the retreat in the New Year. Councilmember Gerend would like to point out that state and county funding is always tenuous. Councilmember Odell sees continuous needs in the community and would like more facts and data on what other communities are doing. Councilmember Valderrama thanked the citizens of Sammamish and the Human Services Grants Committee for the efforts presented tonight. Deputy Mayor Huckabay is a board member on one of the organizations so she feels that there is a permissible interest in the contract. She will not vote tonight.

MOTION: Councilmember Odell moved to approve the recommendation of the Human Services Awards Committee and the amount allocated for the contingency for 2015-2016. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion was approve unanimously 6-0. Deputy Mayor Huckabay did not vote.

Unfinished Business

Budget Deliberations

City Manager, Ben Yazici gave a staff update and showed a PowerPoint presentation. (*available on the city's website at www.sammamish.us*). The item numbers are referring to a list of proposals from the City Council at earlier meetings and emails. The list is broken down into three categories:

1. Items already included in the 2015-2016 Budget
2. Items not yet included in the 2015-2016 Budget
3. Other Items.

Item #	Councilmember	Description	Notes
1	Gerend	Continuation of support for Kokanee program	Increased education
2	Odell	Continue support of the Kokanee Work Group	Include related activities-Urban Wildlife Refuge Partnership
3	Odell/Gerend	Financial support for Friends of Issaquah Salmon Hatchery (FISH)	\$8,000 per year included in budget
4	Gerend	Emerald Necklace	Placeholder for land purchase in Parks CIP budget
5	Gerend	Land purchases for parks and trails	Placeholder for land purchase in Parks CIP budget
6	Keller	Complete safety measures at Sammamish Landing Park	Will be done before the 2015/2016 budget
7	Gerend	YMCA property	Placeholder in budget.
8	Whitten	City wide survey of city recreational facilities for ADA users.	Beyond access curb cuts or bathrooms. Example-lift in a pool at the Community Center In progress-PW.
9	Keller/Huckabay	Community garden-to benefit the Food Bank	If a plot in the Community Garden becomes available the Youth Board will plant it and donate to the Food Bank.
10	Huckabay	More code compliance staff needed?	DCD is working to restructure processes to provide better service to customers, create additional staff capacity, and minimize liability risk for the City.
11	Huckabay	Plant trees on City property to replace trees lost to development	Related to the current work program item of updating the Tree Retention code provisions. No additional fiscal or human resource impacts for this effort.
12	Odell	Do Permitting and DCD need more staff?	The proposed budget includes converting a 1.0 limited term Building Inspector a 1.0 regular FTE, converting a 0.5 limited term Permit Technician and a 0.5 regular FTE Office Assistant to a 1.0 regular FTE Permit Technician and terminating a 1.0 limited term Associate Planner at the end of 2015.
13	Whitten	R4 zoning impervious surface requirements.	Analyze with 2015/2016 Code amendments. No fiscal or human resource impacts at this time.
14	Valderrama	Stay out of ICLEI. Did not use their information before.	The fiscal impact of rejoining ICLEI is approximately \$650 per year. Membership to ICLEI is not included in the budget.
15	Vance	Put a priority on sustainability	Related to the current work program item of updating the Comprehensive Plan. No additional direct fiscal or human resource impacts for this effort.
16	Huckabay	Maintain bike lanes	Currently in work program/in progress.
17	Keller	East/West connection to ELSP-sidewalks/bike routes	
18	Huckabay	Eliminate parking areas that interfere with driver's site lines	Currently in work program/in progress.
19	Whitten	Study of parking requirements for new development in neighborhoods in and around TC and other potential centers.	

20	Whitten	Trails along 228th and ELSP	Will be included in the Trails and Pathways Plan update.
21	Whitten/Gerend	Use stormwater facilities as pedestrian pathways	
22	Huckabay/Gerend	Add directional arrow striping in traffic circles	Currently in work program/in progress.
23	Odell	Consider low maintenance plantings for future road projects.	Reduce landscape maintenance costs.
24	Odell	The Crest access needs to be improved.	In the concurrency program-funded by impact fees.
25	Odell	Increase Stormwater staff to handle Inglewood and Thompson basins and SE 24th	Will use consultants.
26	Valderrama	Impact of future projects & site plans on maintenance and operations	Included for projects approved in the biennial budget. Future projects are unknown.
27	Vance	2% well city award back to employees	
28	Whitten	Issaquah/Pine Lake Road non-motorized pedestrian facilities	
29	Odell	Weekend code enforcement coverage.	Funding for code enforcement coverage for weekends and additional tree retention efforts. This could be either overtime or (preferentially) a part-time position.

MOTION: Councilmember Huckabay to approve **Items # 1 through # 29** as amended. Councilmember Whitten seconded. Motion approved unanimously 7-0.

MOTION: Councilmember Whitten moved to approve **Item # 3**, financial support for Friends of Issaquah Salmon Hatchery to increase it from \$8,000 per year to \$20,000 per year. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion approved unanimously 7-0.

AMENDMENT: Councilmember Valderrama moved to amend **Item # 3** to increase it to \$15,000 the first year and to \$20,000 in the second year. There was no second. Amendment failed.

Item #	Councilmember	Description	Notes
30	Huckabay/Keller /Odell/Vance	Community Services Coordinator	0.5 FTE Volunteer Coordinator added. Responsible for promoting greater coordination in serving the Sammamish community. Examples include the Citizen Academy program, IDEA program and the Issaquah Community Network, Issaquah Food Bank plan to serve summer meals to our hungry Issaquah school district children.
31	Huckabay/Vance/Gerend	Join King County Cities Climate Change Coalition	Annual fee is \$2,000/year. Mayor & Deputy Mayor attended the Elected Officials Summit in June 2014. Staffing impacts (meeting attendance/staff support for elected officials) to be determined.

Councilmember Keller gave a report on the proposed Community Services Coordinator position and showed a PowerPoint presentation (available on the city's website at www.sammamish.us).

MOTION: Councilmember Keller moved to approve **Item # 30** as amended and to hire a .5 FTE as a Community Services Coordinator. Councilmember Odell seconded.

AMENDMENT: Councilmember Gerend moved to amend **Item #30**, to approve the position of a .5 FTE

as a Community Services Coordinator but wait to hire until the Council discusses the job description further at the Council Retreat in January. Councilmember Whitten seconded. Motion approved 5-2 with Deputy Mayor Huckabay and Councilmember Odell dissenting.

Councilmember Odell will not support the amendment because he feels that Council has discussed the need for the position and that Council should not be in the habit of writing job descriptions for staff. Deputy Mayor Huckabay did not support the amendment because she feels that the position has been discussed and defined already.

Councilmember Keller showed a presentation (*available upon request to the City Clerk, Melonie Anderson at manderson@sammamish.us*).

Council comments:

- Councilmember Valderrama would like to see a volunteer in the initial phase of the project.
- Deputy Mayor Huckabay is in favor of a coordinator for the numerous services needed in our community. Someone who can identify the needs in Sammamish and work to meet those needs.
- Councilmember Keller feels that there is a misunderstanding of the position. The Coordinator will work with the school districts and represent Sammamish. Sammamish Cares is an example of a group that needs our support.
- Councilmember Whitten does not understand the position and feels there is no common vision in what the position should be. She feels the job description is not defined well enough. She would like to see a place holder in the budget and at a study session, further discuss what it should be about and no action taken tonight.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Huckabay moved to approve **Item # 31** to join King County’s Cities Climate Change Coalition. Councilmember Odell seconded. Motion passed 6-1 with Councilmember Valderrama dissenting.

Councilmember Valderrama is concerned about the number of memberships that the City has already and feels it is not necessary to add this one on at this time.

Item #	Councilmember	Description	Notes
32	Huckabay/ Gerend	Extend the path on SE 24th to SE 200th Street	Cost estimated to be \$403,000
33	Valderrama	Human Services-establish Citizens commission.	
34	Whitten	Determine, and adopt, a process for permanent decision on Opticon gate removal in north end.	Consider public climate for this topic.
35	Gerend	Increase the Sammamish Symphony budget by \$5,000 per year for a total of \$15,000/yr. to support the Youth Concerto competition.	E-mail request.
36	Odell/ Huckabay	Funds for reforestation on city owned property. Request to plant 1,000 trees on city property- storm ponds, rights of way, etc.	Budget impact + \$15,000. Volunteer planting of 1,000 trees about two feet tall is estimated at \$15 per tree. (Volunteers can't plant larger trees.)
37	Huckabay	Add \$500 per month to the city's PSE bills for green energy.	\$6,000 per year. This now only contributes to sustainability but it may reduce future rate increases by reducing PSE's need to build new facilities.

38	Odell	Increase SAMMI Awards funding	Increase funding from \$5,000 per year to \$7,500 per year.
39	Gerend	Funding for Friends of Lake Sammamish State Park per request from Dave Kappler.	\$20,000 per year to support Executive Director position.
40	Valderrama	Consider the option of more gardens, especially in the storm water ponds and rights of way.	
41	Valderrama	Eliminate Eastlake High School safety net installation.	Budgeted in Parks CIP Capital Repair/Replacement program.
42	Valderrama	Reduce Sammamish Landing funding to reflect King County contribution.	Budgeted in Parks CIP. King County has not offered funding at this time.

MOTION: Councilmember Gerend moved to include **Item # 32**, to fund the extension of the path on SE 24th to SE 200th Street by \$403,000.00 to be funded from the Transportation Capital program, Non-motorized budget. Councilmember Whitten seconded. Motion was approved 6-1 with Councilmember Whitten dissenting.

AMENDMENT: Councilmember Whitten moved to amend the budget to increase the total from .85 to 1.25 million dollars and add this project to all priority items for non-motorized improvements, to be considered. Councilmember Odell seconded. Motion failed 2- 5 with Mayor Vance, Deputy Mayor Huckabay, Councilmembers Valderrama, Keller, Gerend dissenting.

All those dissenting feel that it is not necessary to have a priority list of items at this point.

City Manager Yazici suggested to prioritize this item in the work plan. Should come out of the funds in the existing Transportation Improvement Plan. Councilmember Whitten would like to see this prioritized and in favor of increasing the budget on Non-motorized Improvements by \$500,000.00.

MOTION: Councilmember Valderrama moved to approve **Item # 33** a Human Services-establish Citizens Commission. Councilmember Valderrama withdrew the motion.

Councilmember Valderrama would like this discussion to take place at the Council Retreat in January.

Item # 34 - to determine and adopt a process for permanent decision on opticon gate removal in the north end. Council agreed to move forward with this plan.

City Manager Yazici commented that there is nothing in the work plan, to remove barricades in 2015 or 2016. He suggested to plan on discussing the existing resolution and to adopt a process. More legal research is needed. This could be discussed at a study session in February or March 2015.

MOTION: Councilmember Gerend moved to approve **Item # 35**, to increase the Sammamish Symphony budget by \$5,000 per year, for a total of \$15,000 per year, to support the Youth Concerto competition. Mayor Vance seconded. Motion approved unanimously 7-0.

MOTION: Councilmember Odell moved to approve **Item # 36**, for funds for reforestation on City owned property. Request to plant 1,000 trees on city property- storm ponds, rights of way, etc. Deputy Mayor Huckabay seconded. Motion approved unanimously 7-0.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Huckabay moved to approve **Item # 37**, to add \$500 per month to the city's PSE bills for green energy. Councilmember Odell seconded. Motion was approved 5-2 with Councilmember Gerend and Councilmember Valderrama dissenting.

Councilmember Valderrama feels that we need to put this money into something more concrete so we know exactly where it would be spent. He would like another option given.

Councilmember Gerend would like to know more of the cost benefits before supporting this.

MOTION: Councilmember Odell moved to approve **Item # 38**, to increase SAMMI Awards funding from \$5,000 per year to \$7,500 per year. Councilmember Gerend seconded. Motion approved unanimously 7-0.

MOTION: Councilmember Gerend moved to approve **Item # 39**, add funding for Friends of Lake Sammamish State Park by \$10,000 per year as amended, to support an Executive Director position. Councilmember Odell seconded. Motion approved 6-1 with Deputy Mayor Huckabay dissenting.

Deputy Mayor Huckabay will not support this motion because there are many other needs in Sammamish that she would rather see funded.

AMENDMENT: Councilmember Whitten moved to amend this motion to reduce the amount from \$20,000.00 to \$10,000 per year. Councilmember Valderrama seconded. Motion passed 4-3 with Mayor Odell, Deputy Mayor Huckabay and Councilmember Keller dissenting.

Item # 40 - to consider the option of more gardens, especially in the storm water ponds and rights of way. Withdrawn.

Item # 41 - to eliminate Eastlake High School safety net installation. Withdrawn

Item # 42 - to reduce Sammamish Landing funding to reflect King County contribution. Withdrawn
Councilmember Valderrama would like staff to continue to pursue the funding of the facility with King County.

Item #	Councilmember	Description	Notes
43	Odell	Fish passages for Parkway-Ebright, Zackuse, Pine Lake Creeks.	Grant available from Fish & Wildlife?? Kokanee workgroup has information. On the SWM 6 year CIP.
44	Odell	Move the SAMMI Awards, Symphony, and Human Services together in the budget.	Different activities per state accounting requirements.
45	Odell	Focus on hiring youth living in Sammamish for seasonal positions.	Qualified Sammamish youth are encouraged to apply.
46	Odell	Do we need additional Police officer or Sergeant?	Not at this time.
47	Odell	Traffic light at Sahalee Way and NE 28th Place.	Does not meet signal warrant standards at this time. Will be reviewed as part of Sahalee project.
48	Gerend	Look into a program similar to TDR for erosion hazard areas in the city.	
49	Valderrama	Examine how schools, churches, and adult homes are reflective of residential neighborhoods.	Was not included in home business ordinance.

Item # 43 - to add fish passages for Parkway-Ebright, Zackuse and Pine Lake creeks. Withdrawn

Item # 44 - to move the SAMMI Awards, Symphony, and Human Services together in the budget. Withdrawn

Item # 45 - to focus on hiring youth living in Sammamish for seasonal positions. Withdrawn

Item # 46 - to hire an additional Police officer or Sergeant. Withdrawn

Item # 47 - to add a traffic light at Sahalee Way and NE 28th Place. Withdrawn
Councilmember Odell requested that another traffic study be done in this area.

Item # 48 - look into a program similar to transfer development rights (TDR) for erosion hazard areas in the city. Withdrawn by Councilmember Gerend. Councilmember Odell requested that this be included as a council retreat item.

Item # 49 - examine how schools, churches, and adult homes are reflective of residential neighborhoods. Withdrawn.

City Manager Yazici suggested to wait until the Klahanie annexation to study this matter. There will be additional businesses added at that time.

Councilmember Whitten is concerned about the churches and feels more studies need to be done about where they fit into the community. Noise requirements are also important to research. She suggested this to be added to the work program.

MOTION: Councilmember Odell moved to extend the meeting to 11 pm. Councilmember Valderrama seconded. Motion approved unanimously 7-0.

Council recessed for five minutes.

Public Works Standards

Deputy Director of Public Works, Cheryl Paston and City Engineer, Jeff Brauns gave the staff report and showed a PowerPoint presentation (*available on the city's website at www.sammamish.us*).

Requested feedback and guidance from Council on Roadway Cross-sections (local streets)

- Deputy Mayor Huckabay prefers having designated parking spots on local streets. How does the construction activity affect the existing residence? It is a temporary situation and staff is working to address this. She prefers 36 foot width with 20 foot striping.
- Councilmember Whitten likes the look of the chicanes and the effect it has. She prefers parking on both sides of the street.
- Odell commented about the delivery service vehicles not having enough room. Feels one sided parking is not enough. Garbage bins should be on the street, not the sidewalks.
- Deputy Mayor Huckabay asked if pervious surfaces could be added in the parking area, if this design (36 foot) is chosen. She does not want the streets to be too narrow.

- Councilmember Whitten suggested planting trees in cemented areas and this could be a solution for the impervious surfaces. She had previously emailed an article to the Public Works staff.
- Councilmember Valderrama would like to engage the neighborhoods in the process.

Requested feedback and guidance from Council on Development on Substandard streets – PWS. 15.00.

- Councilmember Huckabay inquired about the Kampp property issues with the SE 16th Street access and the reasons for the improvement in the code.
- Councilmember Huckabay would like to know how during the update of the standards process, the Council's comments will be presented, accumulated and identified to the Planning Commission.

Requested feedback and guidance from Council on Access Requirements and next steps.

- Mayor Vance recommended that Council have an opportunity to ask questions or make comments and that Public Works compile the information.
- Councilmember Odell recommended that Council have a chance to review the answers to their questions before it goes to the Planning Commission.
- City Manager Yazici would like the review to take place at the retreat before it goes to the Planning commission.
- Council requested a copy of the Public Works Standards PowerPoint be emailed to them.

Ordinance: Prohibiting The Establishment, Location, Operation, Licensing, Maintenance Or Continuation Of Recreational Marijuana Processing, Producing And Retailing; Providing For Severability; And Establishing An Effective Date

Director of Community Development, Jeff Thomas and Deputy Director of Community Development, Susan Cezar, gave the staff update.

MOTION: Councilmember Odell moved to approve the second reading and adoption of the ordinance, Prohibiting The Establishment, Location, Operation, Licensing, Maintenance Or Continuation Of Recreational Marijuana Processing, Producing And Retailing; Providing For Severability; And Establishing An Effective Date. Councilmember Whitten seconded. Motion carried by a vote of 6-1 with Councilmember Gerend dissenting.

Councilmember Gerend spoke regarding the initiative legalizing marijuana that passed by a 55% vote. He feels that if we exclude the sale of marijuana in the City, we may exclude ourselves on the share of the State revenues. Councilmember Valderrama questioned if the police can determine the increase in DUI's as a direct result of this approval. Councilmember Keller questioned the location of these commercial sales locations, specifically near clubs or food establishments. Deputy Mayor Huckabay asked for more clarification on the difference between the public and private parks.

Council Reports

- Appointment: National League of Cities Voting Delegates - Councilmember Gerend and Councilmember Odell were nominated.

MOTION: Councilmember Keller moved to appoint Councilmember Gerend and Councilmember Odell as voting delegates to the National League. Councilmember Valderrama seconded. Motion approved unanimously 7-0.

No other Council reports

City Manager Report - No report

Executive Session – Property Sale pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(c) and Litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i).

Retired to executive session at 10:35 pm until 11:03 pm with no action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 11:03 pm.

Lita Hachey, Administrative Assistant
to the City Clerk

Thomas E. Vance, Mayor