

COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting June 3, 2003

Mayor Kenneth J. Kilroy called the regular meeting of the Sammamish City Council to order at 7:30 pm.

Councilmembers present: Mayor Kenneth J. Kilroy, Deputy Mayor Ron Haworth, Councilmembers Jack Barry, Don Gerend, Kathleen Huckabay, Michele Petitti and Troy Romero.

Staff present: City Manager Ben Yazici, Director of Community Development Ray Gilmore, Fire Chief John Murphy, Parks Manager Jeff Watling, Communications Manager Tim Larson, Executive Assistant Lola Nelson Mills, City Attorney Bruce Disend and City Clerk Melonie Anderson.

Roll Call/Pledge

Roll was called. Councilmember Romero led the pledge.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Haworth moved to approve the agenda. Councilmember Petitti seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Presentations/Proclamations

Mayor Kilroy presented Will Voinot Baron, Eastlake High School Student Liaison and Elizabeth Cochrane, Skyline High School Student Liaison with a certificate of excellence award for their yearlong service to the Council and Community. The students also have their names engraved on a perpetual plaque that will be kept at their respective high schools.

The Mayor also presented awards to each youth board member who served during the 2002-2003 school year. Some Youth Board activities included officially adopting 212th Avenue through King County Adopt A Road Program, participation in the Department of Health's Partners in Prevention Program and the awarding of a mini-grant to deliver a drug education program in the community with this year's focus on Inglewood Junior High, meeting quarterly with the Lake Washington School District Superintendent, sponsored and coordinated Family Bingo Night and partnered with the Sammamish YMCA and Boys and Girls Club to put on community events. This year's Sammamish Youth Board Members were:

Andrea Gorder
Elizabeth Cochrane
Justin Thorkildsen
Alexa Hambleton

K.C. Kerr
Ali Khaki
Asiya Khaki
Kellen Klein

Jill Piermattei
Stephanie Sinclair
Lauren Rossi
Shirley Hu

Jaleh Taheri
Will Voinot-Baron
Courtney Paine
Elizabeth Lepere
Kyle Martin

Laura Knudsen
Ryan DiBello
Brian Belcher
John Moffatt
Alexanne Madison

Bridget Beattie
Danielle Bernard
Katie Nielsen

Mayor Kilroy also recognized Eastlake High School Student Kevin Barry for being the first Sammamish resident to be invited to play at Carnegie Hall in New York.

Council recessed from 7:45 pm to 7:50 pm.

Communications Manager Tim Larson and Executive Assistant Lola Nelson Mill presented the winner's of the city-sponsored photo contest. The winners were:

Trish Ropell-First Place (\$300 award)
Scott Smith-Second Place (\$200 award)
Wendy Wheeler- Third Place (\$100 award)

The winning photos will be on display at City Hall. Many of the other submitted photos will be used on the City website.

A representative of King County Councilmember Pete von Reichbauer gave a presentation on the importance of the American Heart Association and the upcoming Walk-a-thon.

A student representative of the group Move-It made a short presentation. This group is working to inform students on transportation issues and alternative forms of transportation by providing information such as bus route information, trail maps, and bike lane maps.

MAYOR/COUNCIL/COMMITTEE REPORTS

- *Public Safety Committee (Councilmember Gerend):* Attended a meeting for the Save Lake Sammamish group. A new study showed the sources of new phosphorus in the lake come from the following areas: 38% from pet waste, 20% from lawn fertilizer, 20% from farm animals, 16% from septic fields, 4% from rain, 2% from sewer. Zero impact development ordinances would be beneficial for minimizing development impacts on lakes and streams. Regional planning is necessary for preserving Lake Sammamish.
- *Finance Committee (Councilmember Barry):* No report
- *Community Development Committee (Councilmember Huckabay):* Attended a program sponsored by the Bellevue Chamber of Commerce. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss economic development region-wide.
- *Public Works Committee (Councilmember Petitti):* The committee met tonight. (1) They discussed the Public Works Maintenance Facility. Staff has met with Sammamish Plateau Water & Sewer District to identify ways they can partner. The District must decide if they need to put another water tank on their property. If so,

there would not be room for a city facility. Alternative sites to Beaver Lake Maintenance facility will be studied. (2) Reviewed the draft 2004-2009 Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan. The plan should be available for the public by June 16, 2003. The committee asked if the plan included the sidewalk improvements requested by the school districts and if there is enough money in the budget to include those projects. There is currently an \$18 million shortfall to fund all the transportation projects. Staff will research the idea of imposing a utility tax to fund the projects. (3) The Sound Transit Park and Ride facility is moving along. (4) May use porous concrete on the SE 24th Street sidewalk. (5) The roundabout for SE 32nd Street and Issaquah Pine Lake Road is behind schedule and will not be finished before school begins next fall. The project may have to be delayed to next year. (6) Developer paving requirements were discussed. (7) The timeline between the Council's January retreat and the proposed capital improvement projects is not long enough. This timeline will be revised for next year.

- *Legislative Committee: (Councilmember Romero):* No report.
- *Eastlake High School Report (Student Liaison Will Voinot Baron):* Activities at the school are winding down as the year ends. Next Monday is Eastlake's 10-year anniversary. Senior awards evening is next week. Graduation is June 18. The last day of school will be June 24. He also thanked the Council for all their support while serving as Student Liaison.
- *Skyline High School Report (Student Liaison Elizabeth Cochrane):* Softball team finished fifth in state. The Fifth Avenue Society nominated the musical, Gypsy, for five awards. A blood drive was held today. Graduation will be June 20.
- *Mayor Report:* None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Richard Kuprewicz, 192nd Drive SE, As a risk management consultant he attested to the fact that the City is leaving itself open to liability if it adopts the proposed transportation element of the comprehensive plan. He advised the Council to seek independent and proper risk management review of these recently proposed changes before permitting attempts to imprudently redirect the efforts of the Draft Comprehensive Plan.

Nancy Baer, 20013 NE, She filed a petition to keep the 42nd street barricade permanently. This petition was originally going to be submitted to King County but was held because of the incorporation of the city. Residents in the neighborhoods involved are in favor of retaining the barricades and permitting emergency vehicles only.

Sheldon Fisher, 1916 West Beaver Lake Dr SE, He thanked John Cunningham, Jeff Watling and Glen Akramoff for meeting with Beaver Lake Homeowners and answering questions regarding the proposed Public Works Maintenance Facility. He is recommending the City consider locating the facility adjacent to the new city hall and decommissioning the current site at Beaver Lake. He also complained about the number of development signs in the right of way.

Jeff Stuart, 24606 SE 9th Place, He requested that all affected homeowners be notified and allowed enough time to give input to any proposed SE 244th Corridor plan. He does not feel there

has been enough information given to the public. To date, no information has been sent to homeowners. There is no information regarding the corridor on the City's new website.

Cindy Nooncheester, 24518 SE 14th Street, They found out on May 17th that their property would be affected by several of the 244th Corridor proposals. She would like the time for public comment extended.

David McIntosh, 24400 SE 14th Street, Formal notice must be given to property owners when their property might be affected. A letter should be sent or a phone call should be made to the homeowners. He also asked why his written comments have not been posted on the web page.

George Wilcock, 2101 224th. He has been participating in the 244th Corridor process and was surprised to see the draft report show up on the website without being notified first. He does not feel enough time is being given for comment on the plan. He is afraid the south end of the corridor will be developed at some time in the future and will impact his property.

Patrick Tessier, 29324 SE 17th Place, He has attended every public meeting on this issue and does not feel there is any good reason for developing this route. He requested the southern portion of the route be eliminated as a project.

Charlotte Sherwin, 21708 SE 13th Place SE, She lives next to the proposed Ebright Creek Park and wants it to be a passive recreational park, not one that includes ball fields.

Bob Sherwin, 21708 SE 13th Place, He believes that the decisions being made for Ebright Creek Park does not reflect the wishes of the residents living around the park. He doesn't feel it is fair to build ball fields just because people who don't live next to the park want one.

Len Steiner, 1323 NE 100th St., Kirkland, WA, Representing the Northwest Audubon Society. Encouraged the City to develop a sensitive area ordinance. He also believes a wildlife survey should be conducted on Ebright Creek before any further development is completed. He offered to be involved in the process and asked to be added to future mailing lists.

Mary O'Brien, 1107 228th Avenue SE, She spoke in opposition to the skateboard park being located next to the Arbor School. It will ruin the view offered by the property. The park should also be located far from the adjacent parking area.

Erika Vandenbrade, 20419 NE 7th Court, She showed some pictures of the skateboard park in Redmond, with graffiti, etc. She was opposed to placing it close to the Arbor School.

CONSENT CALENDAR

**Claims for period ending June 3, 2003 in the amount of \$1,588,803.55
for Check No.7904 through Check No. 7976
Interlocal: Amendment: Fires Services Equipment
Replacement/Eastside Fire & Rescue**

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Haworth moved to approve the consent calendar. Councilmember Romero seconded. Motion passed unanimously 7-0.

Council recessed from 9:05 pm to 9:15 pm.

Unfinished Business - None

New Business

Resolution: Public Benefit Rating/Anderson

Director of Community Development, Ray Gilmore gave the staff report. This request is for 1.43 acres of their property at 26039 SE 18th Place to be considered as open space. A public hearing was held before the City Hearing Examiner on May 16, 2003 and the Examiner recommended approval with conditions.

Ted Sullivan, of King County Department of Natural Resources explained the rating system and the subsequent tax reduction. Any acreage receiving such a designation must be left as open space and natural.

MOTION: Councilmember Romero moved to approve the Public Benefit Rating System for Alan and JoAnn Anderson and adopt the resolution. Councilmember Huckabay seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0 (R2003-142).

Resolution: Public Benefit Rating/Brady

Mr. Gilmore gave the staff report. This request is for 1.59 acres of their property at 1304 251st Avenue SE for open space in the Public benefit rating system. The City Hearing Examiner recommended approval.

MOTION: Councilmember Romero moved to approve the Public Benefit Rating request of Robert and Renegene Brady and adopt the resolution. Councilmember Huckabay seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0. (R2003-143)

Resolution: Approval: 2003-2004 Sammamish Youth Board Members

Parks Manager Jeff Watling gave the staff report. The following students are being recommended for the 2003/2004 Sammamish Youth Board:

Matthew Jackson	Nicki Bastine	Lynde Moffatt
Allison Dunham	Conner Bischak	Asiya Khaki
Ryan Nguyen	John Moffatt	Ryan DiBello
Andrea Gorder	Juli Crompe	Andrew Seliber
Alexanne Madison	Paul Knudsen	Kellen Klein
Lauren Rossi	Elizabeth Lepere	Bridget Beatie
Robert Baxter	Ashley Craig	Alexa Cabellon
Maggie Voinot-Baron	Lauren Hawkins	Lauran Mehl
Karrissa Willhite	Erin Horvath	Krystyna Langsen
Katie Cochrane	Heather Hergert	Sangita Kode
Ashley Uno	Alex Feng	Ty Gilligan
Katie Caudle		

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Haworth moved to approve the resolution nominating the 2003-2004 Sammamish Youth Board Members. Councilmember Petitti seconded. Motion carried unanimously 7-0 (R2003-144).

City Manager Report

Mr. Yazici explained that Council is in several difficult situations. One is the struggle to balance the overall need for baseball fields in the City while trying to meet the requests of the residents adjacent to Ebright Creek Park. Another difficult situation is identifying the East Sammamish/244th Corridor alignment so that future costs for improvement to the street will be borne by developers and not residents. There are no plans to build the southern portion of this corridor. The northern section will be built in the near future.

He met with several staff members and the Mayor of Redmond to discuss transportation, parks and fire services. The Mayor of Redmond is very appreciative of the funds Sammamish secured for the SR202 flyover ramp. Agreement was reached to enter into an interlocal agreement for joint transportation projects. Mr. Yazici told Redmond that a 2008 start date for the flyover ramp was unacceptable. He is setting up a meeting with the state Secretary of Transportation in an effort to get the project started in either 2004 or 2005. If this is not possible, the cities of Sammamish and Redmond will take on the project themselves. Funding is available. He will also work with Redmond to improve the intersection at Eastlake Sammamish and SR202. Redmond is willing to transfer park property on Eastlake Sammamish to Sammamish at no cost so long as Sammamish agrees not to charge Redmond residents any user fees. Redmond City Council will have to approve this transfer. In 2005 our fire contract with Redmond will expire. Mr. Yazici is working on a new interlocal for fire protection for the north end of the City.

Mr. Yazici said the City hall project is moving forward. This project is very necessary. At Council request, the lobby space in the City Hall design has been reduced to 2,600 square feet, while increasing the general City Hall space by 1,000 square feet. The space is still flexible and functional. Councilmember Barry asked if there was sufficient room in the police department for a conference room or fingerprinting and Breathalyzer administration. Mr. Yazici answered that the Police Chief has been working closely with architect. Mr. Yazici was adamant that the police department have only as much space as is necessary to be functional. Council will receive more detailed plans of the City Hall in eight weeks or so. If Council has any concerns about the current design, they should voice them soon, since any changes will increase both the cost of the facility and the timeline.

Mr. Yazici explained that Council should vote for 10 candidates for Planning Commission in order of preference with 10 points being awarded to their first choice candidate and so on in descending order. The votes will be added up and the top ten vote getters will be interviewed, from which seven will be selected as Commissioners.

Mr. Yazici explained that there are some inconsistencies between the Sammamish Plateau Water and Sewer District's Comprehensive Water Plan and the City's proposed Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Yazici will send a letter to the district tomorrow explaining that the City's plan will take precedence and they must bring their plan into compliance with the City's, especially in terms of growth projections.

The City website has been remodeled although not all the information from the old one has been transferred yet. Mr. Yazici said it is a much more lively website. He also said that the City's TV station should be up and running by August.

One of Council's objectives was to look into having a Farmer's Market. Mr. Yazici said it looks like there could be sixteen-farmer market days next year. This should be handled by the private sector because City staff cannot take on additional projects. Parks Manager Jeff Watling gave a short report outlining the costs, site location, vendors and customers and what is needed for a successful farmer's market.

Adjournment – Mayor Kilroy adjourned the meeting at 10:00 pm.

Melonie Anderson, City Clerk

Kenneth J. Kilroy, Mayor