



CITY COUNCIL

Mayor's Roundtable
March 10, 2008
Monday, 6:30 P.M.

Special Meeting/Study Session
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CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Asay called the special meeting/study session to order at 7:00 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL Present were Councilmembers Beaudry, Borek, Drotz, Heddlesten, Neal, Sanderson, and Whalen.

STAFF PRESENT: Public Works Director Neal, Planning & Community Development Director Terrell, Fire Chief Jaques, Finance Director Pierce, Interim Finance Director Papandrew, Police Chief Rhoads and Deputy City Clerk Marcelia.

PRESENTATION: WCIA

Before the presentation began, Mayor Asay moved *Study Item G, *Proposed Name Change for Community Park (Triangle Park)*, to immediately follow the presentation.

Mayor Asay invited Lou Leigh from Washington Cities Insurance Authority to join the Council in a discussion regarding the appearance of fairness doctrine. Mr. Leigh shared some details and information about WCIA. He spoke on a training that will take place tomorrow for City Staff.

Councilmembers asked clarifying questions of Mr. Leigh.

***STUDY ITEM G:**

AB08-040 Proposed Name Change for Community Park (Triangle Park):
Jack Chandler read the letter, which was included in the agenda packet, from VFW 11401. Councilmember Beaudry asked about Kemper Playfield and the connection with the rest of the park. Councilmember Heddlesten stated that he would like to see

“Veterans” incorporated in the new name of the park. Councilmember Whalen shared that he’d like to see the community involved in the name change process.

Council discussed the name change and the process.

Mayor Asay stated that this item would go to the Park Board. Mayor Asay called Ralph up to share his experience in Washington DC.

Mayor Asay invited everyone to Mill Ridge Village on March 20th for the ceremony.

Mayor Asay recessed the meeting at 7:58 P.M. for approximately 5 minutes. The meeting reconvened at 8:03 P.M.

Director Pierce introduced Dave Papandrew, who will be filling in as the Finance Director while she is on maternity leave. Dave shared some information about his accounting/auditing and consulting background.

SPECIAL MEETING ITEMS:

AB08-034 Corridor Well Facility Construction Project Acceptance:

Director Neal shared that the Corridor Well Facility Construction Project is complete and ready for Council acceptance.

Councilmember Beaudry moved to accept the Corridor Well Facility Construction Project, subject to the requirements of appropriate Federal and State agencies, if any, and the release of retainage, plus applicable taxes to the contractor at the appropriate time. Councilmember Whalen seconded.

Councilmember Drotz asked how much over budget the City is on this project. Director Neal stated that the project came in under budget.

Councilmember Sanderson asked to see the tax in one total.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Asay called for the vote. Motion carried 7-0.

AB08-035 BPA Interim Payment Agreement:

Bonneville Power Administration is offering an agreement to disburse partial payment back to Milton of monies overpaid during the past 7 years. Director Neal shared information regarding the agreement.

Councilmember Heddlesten asked if the rate that the City pays has been reduced. Director Neal stated that their rates haven’t changed yet. He asked if citizens’ rates would be decreased.

Councilmembers asked clarifying questions of Director Neal and shared comments and concerns.

Councilmember Heddlesten moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the attached Standstill and Interim Relief Payment Agreement with the Bonneville Power Administration. Councilmember Sanderson seconded.

Jacquelyn Whalen, 1605 13th Ave., asked what the interest rate would be if Milton had to pay the money back to BPA. Director Neal stated that the rate would be whatever BPA would have been paying if Milton didn't take the money. Councilmember Sanderson stated that it was covered on page 7.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Asay called for the vote. Motion carried 7-0.

STUDY ITEMS:

AB08-007B Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Utility:

Chief Jaques shared that he's trying to come up with revenue to replace the missing revenue since the Department of Revenue has limited the City's ability to collect the full fifty cents per assessed valuation for the EMS Levy from the Pierce County residents of the City, which was approved by the voters.

Councilmember Heddlesten shared his concern regarding taxing King and Pierce County residents differently.

Councilmember Sanderson stated that the idea, with time, could work. He shared that there are a few other issues that would need to be worked out in order for this idea to be successful.

Councilmembers discussed the pros and cons of a contract with District 8. Chief Jaques addressed questions and concerns.

AB08-036 Police Department Policy and Procedure Update:

Chief Rhoads shared that properly researched and worded Policies and Procedures are important due to officers being involved in situations which call for quick and decisive action on their part. He stated that it could take over a year to update the Policies and Procedures. He estimated that the cost of the project would be approximately \$4,500. He shared that WCIA will contribute \$2,000 to the process.

AB08-037 City of Milton Adopt-A-Street/Adopt-A-Site Program:

Director Neal shared that the City created an Adopt-A-Street/Adopt-A-Site program in its code in 1999 but has not implemented it. She stated that there would be some staff time involved and other aspects of the program would need to be addressed if Council would want to implement the program. She asked for Council's feedback.

Councilmember Heddlesten stated that, due to the program never being implemented or addressed back in 1999, the program should be dropped.

Councilmember Beaudry shared support for the program.

Councilmember Whalen shared that he'd like to see information go out to the public to see if there is interest from the community.

AB08-038 SR 161 Project Update:

Director Neal handed out information on the project and shared information regarding the details of the project.

Mayor Asay recessed the meeting at 9:52 P.M. for approximately 5 minutes. The meeting was reconvened at 9:55 P.M.

AB08-039 Prohibit Long-Term Living in Recreational Vehicles and Other Un-Permitted Living Quarters:

Mayor Asay stated that this item would be brought back at a later date.

AB08-026A Require Fencing Around Subdivisions:

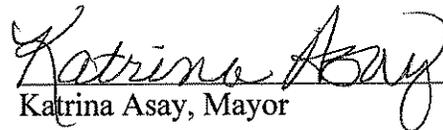
Director Terrell stated that the City wishes to require a solid perimeter fencing around new subdivisions. The City recently had a subdivision proposal that did not propose a fence. The MMC doesn't require fencing. The proposed ordinance will require the installation of solid, six-foot tall perimeter fencing around all new subdivisions.

Councilmembers discussed this item and asked clarifying questions regarding the ordinance and the fencing issue. Comments and concerns were shared by Council.

Mayor Asay reminded Council of the exit audit tomorrow. She also mentioned that there would be a Meet & Greet for the City Administrator on Wednesday, March 12th.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 P.M.


Katrina Asay, Mayor

ATTEST:


Katie Marcelia, Deputy City Clerk