



CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

June 4, 2007

Monday, 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Asay called the regular scheduled meeting to order at 7:01 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Present were Councilmember's Beaudry, Borek, Drotz, Heddlesten, Neal, Sirack and Whalen.

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

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:

Mayor Asay added a proclamation between items 3 and 4.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Asay proclaimed today as Lois A. Zaroudny Day for volunteering with tireless energy by overseeing and managing the Veteran's Memorial project for the last year and a half. Her exemplary dedication and hard work for the community is greatly appreciated.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

Milton Loflin, 1810 11th Ave., commented on the tip of Triangle Park being for sale.

Leonard Sanderson, 1201 24th Ave. Ct., commented on the change made to the website and the agenda online. He also commented on the most recent council minutes on the website: March 20, 2007. The most recent special meeting minutes for the Planning Commission is April 9, 2007. He's concerned with the large size of the documents on the website. He stated that the calendar is not being kept up to date and the lack of correct information on the website. He commented on the amount of money spent on gas by the Police Department.

Robert MacDonald, 1308 15th Ave., asked if an update and discussion can be held regarding animal control and enforcement on leash laws.

Jacquelyn Whalen, 1605 13th Ave., thanked the City for all of the hard work on the Veteran's Memorial.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- (A) Minutes: May 14, 2007 Regular Meeting
May 15, 2007 Study Session
May 21, 2007 Special Meeting
May 22, 2007 Regular Meeting
- (B) May 20th Payroll: direct deposits, checks and benefits in the amount of \$132,025.54.
- (C) Checks/Vouchers: numbers 13099 – 13192, in the amount of \$216,467.33; check #13100 voided.

Councilmember Beaudry moved to approve the Consent Agenda with the spelling correction in the minutes of May 14, 2007. Councilmember Sirack seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

MAIN AGENDA:

AB07-066B Authorize Payment for King County EMS Levy, Resolution 07-1714:
Fire Chief Jaques introduced this agenda item and explained the necessity of the resolution.

Councilmember Drotz moved that Resolution 07-1714, authorizing payment to King County of a pro-rata share of the August 2007 election costs, including but not limited to the cost of producing the local voters' pamphlet, relating to the August election, be approved. Councilmember Beaudry seconded.

Leonard Sanderson, 1201 24th Ave. Ct., asked if there was an estimate regarding the pro-rata share.

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

AB07-069 Planning Commission Appointment:

Mayor Asay introduced Jim Manley, who gave a brief background on his knowledge and desire to be a part of the Planning Commission.

Councilmembers Sirack and Whalen stated that they feel Cindy Baker should be reappointed to the Planning Commission. Mayor Asay shared her opinion as to why she thinks Mr. Manley would make a good Planning Commissioner.

Councilmember Beaudry stated that change is good and is important.

Councilmember Beaudry moved that the appointment of Jim Manley to the Planning Commission be approved. Councilmember Borek seconded.

Councilmembers discussed their opinions regarding their support (Beaudry, Borek) or lack of support (Sirack, Whalen, Heddlesten) of this appointment.

Councilmember Drotz called for the question. Councilmember Heddlesten called *Point of Order* and stated that the citizens should be allowed to speak before the vote.

Councilmember Drotz withdrew the call for the question.

Robert MacDonald, 1308 15th Ave., agreed that change is good sometimes, but what worked in the past most likely will continue to work in the future.

Pat Hersee, 1708 15th Ave., stated she feels that Cindy Baker has the citizens' best interest at heart.

Leonard Sanderson, 1201 24th Ave. Ct., when a term expires for a board or commission, does the current member have to submit a new application to be reappointed? If so, was Cindy Baker advised that she needed to submit a new application? A few months ago, the City solicited applications for citizen participation in planning and developing; Mr. Sanderson wanted to know if Mr. Manley took that opportunity to become involved on a volunteer basis at that point. The Mayor answered Mr. Sanderson by saying that Cindy did re-apply for the position; choosing someone else was by no means saying that Cindy Baker hadn't done a good job on the Planning Commission.

Jerry Miller, 1105 25th Ave. Ct., stated that Cindy Baker takes the time to come to the Planning Commission meetings prepared and has done a great job. If the Planning Commission has people that do a good job, why would they need to be replaced?

Jacquelyn Whalen, 1605 13th Ave., thanked Cindy Baker for her good job on the Commission.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Asay called for a Roll Call Vote: Beaudry – *yes*, Borek – *yes*, Drotz – *yes*, Heddlesten – *no*, Neal – *yes*, Sirack – *no*, and Whalen – *no*. Motion carried 4-3. (Opposed: Heddlesten, Sirack, and Whalen)

Mayor Asay stated that she appreciates all that Cindy Baker has contributed to the Planning Commission and hopes she will continue to stay involved in City planning and development.

AB07-070 Corridor Well Easement, Ordinance 1670-07:

Public Works Director Neal introduced this agenda bill and explained the importance of this ordinance. Director Neal also explained the process of the condemnation and explained that several attempts by City staff have been made to contact the current property owner. The Department of Health expressed that a new easement is needed. She also explained that this condemnation is on the easement and not on the property.

Councilmember Whalen moved to pass Ordinance 1670-07, authorizing the City Attorney to begin condemnation action against the legal owners, Base Capital, of that property known as the Corridor Well site, and authorize the expenditure by the Public

Works Department of an estimated maximum of \$10,000, if necessary, for appraisal services. Councilmember Beaudry seconded.

Councilmember Heddlesten asked for clarification regarding what the City would have to do differently in order for this to become our property. Director Neal stated that the condemnation would have to be used for what it's typically used for, which is to obtain the entire piece of property.

Councilmember Drotz asked if the City had any recourse with the DOE being that they issued the permits for the City to drill the wells. Director Neal stated that the City Attorney has attorneys in his office whose specialties are water rights.

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

AB07-071 Update Storm Water Rates & Fee Schedule, Resolution 07-1715:

Public Works Director Neal introduced this agenda bill and explained the importance of the increase in the Storm Water rates.

Councilmember Whalen pointed out that the vacant land charge was not included.

Councilmembers shared comments and concerns about the rate increases.

Councilmember Beaudry moved that the Mayor be authorized to sign Resolution 07-1715, revising the current fee schedule which adopts the new stormwater rates, and allocate \$0.50 per ESU of the increase to be earmarked for stormwater capital improvements also including the raw land fee of \$5.10. Councilmember Drotz seconded.

Leonard Sanderson, 1201 24th Ave. Ct., stated that council needed to take a look at the stormwater comprehensive plan.

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Asay called for the vote. Motion carried 5-2. (Opposed: Heddlesten and Sirack)

AB07-072 Centennial, Parade & Picnic Expenses:

Mayor Asay introduced this agenda bill and asked Council for their input on the events and the proposed expenditures.

Councilmember Drotz asked if the updating of the council chambers was included in the 2007 budget. Mayor Asay stated that it wasn't.

Councilmember Heddlesten shared his concern regarding an agreement for the music and copyright fees for those who will be performing at the centennial celebration. He stated that the City should buy a sound system instead of renting one.

Councilmembers discussed the idea of a "history wall" in council chambers. They also shared comments and concerns regarding the centennial celebration.

Jacquelyn Whalen, 1605 13th Ave., shared her concerns regarding the amount of money being requested for the centennial event. She suggested that citizens be involved by helping out in paying for the centennial event.

Tonya Sponberg, 415 Comet St. #B, offered the use of her bouncy toy for the centennial celebration.

Pat Hersee, 1708 15th Ave., Would like to see parking at Triangle Park.

Dean Hersee, 1708 15th Ave., Would like improved school zone lighting.

Councilmember Drotz moved to approve a budget adjustment of \$45,000 from the anticipated ending fund reserve in the general fund for expenses related to the Centennial Celebration and the annual Parade and Picnic. Councilmember Beaudry seconded. Motion carried 6-1. (Opposed: Sirack)

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilmember Sirack: Commented that WCIA needs to be contacted regarding our new Police Chief. Mayor Asay responded that this has already been done.

Councilmember Heddlesten: Commented on the semi trucks (tractor trailer rigs) parked along side of the roads or in vacant parking lots. He would like to know if there is an ordinance that addresses the parking issue and if not, then he would like one to be created. He also commented on ASCAP and does not feel that we should apply.

Councilmember Borek: Asked if there would be a discussion regarding the emergency intertie and the water conservation.

Councilmember Beaudry: Thanked all citizens, councilmembers, volunteers and staff who were involved in the VFW Memorial.

Councilmember Drotz: Seconded Councilmember Beaudry by saying thank you to all involved in the VFW Memorial.

Councilmember Neal: Asked what the status of the sound system was.

Councilmember Whalen: Asked about the status of the speed limit change on Pacific Highway. He requested an update on the WSDOT meeting. He received a phone call Beverly Tweelle, water commissioner for Lakehaven Utility District. He commented on the May 24th Board of Economic Development minutes.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Asay thanked the Police Department and the Fire Department for all their help with the Memorial and thanked all the citizens that came out for the dedication.

Councilmember Whalen appointed Mayor Asay and Councilmember Drotz as voting delegates during the Annual AWC Conference. Councilmember Beaudry seconded.

A friendly amendment to add Finance Director Pierce as a voting delegate was made. Motion carried 7-0.

Tonya Sponberg, 415 Comet St. #B, moved from Kent St. and 11th to Comet St. and commented on the speed of commuters between 4:00 – 6:00P.M. and around the closing time of Wild Waves. Requested a motion be made to get a roundabout placed, an off duty police car be placed on the crossed street at Comet St. and 5th, re-painting the center lines, signs like “slow children at play” be put up, and possibly scheduling a reserve officer to patrol between high traffic times.

Mayor Asay informed Council that the new lineman was hired today and that the new mechanic will be starting on Wednesday.

She reminded everyone of the Safety Fair on Saturday.

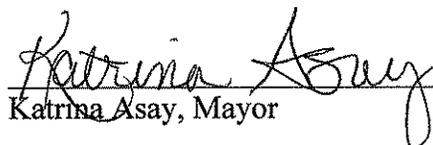
She informed Council that the Signal does not get delivered to those who have signed 4th class mail, but there is a stand for the Signal outside the Post Office.

Jacquelyn Whalen, 1605 13th Ave., thanked the City for looking into the issues with the Signal being mailed to post office boxes. Mayor Asay recommended Ms. Whalen talk to the postmaster.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Beaudry moved to adjourn. Councilmember Borek seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.


Katrina Asay, Mayor

ATTEST:



Maria Pierce, City Clerk