



CITY COUNCIL

Mayor's Roundtable
May 14, 2007
Monday, 6:30 P.M.

Special Meeting
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Mayor Asay called the special meeting to order at 6:50 P.M. Councilmember Beaudry, Borek, Drotz, Heddlesten, Neal, Sirack, and Neal present.

Mayor Asay introduced the agenda item and Councilmember Beaudry moved that the proposed agreement with Judy Gillespie, for services as a coordinator for the Arts and Crafts Fair, be approved. Councilmember Whalen seconded.

Leonard Sanderson, 1201 24th Ave. Ct., commented on the proposed contract.

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

Councilmember Whalen moved to adjourn. Councilmember Beaudry seconded. Meeting adjourned at 6:57 P.M.

Study Session
May 14, 2007
Monday, 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Asay called the study session to order at 7:00 P.M.

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

STAFF PRESENT: Interim City Administrator Carter, Director of Finance/City Clerk Pierce, Fire Chief Jaques, Police Chief Rhoads, and Director of Public Works Neal.

Mayor Asay asked to move the Animal Control Proposal up to item A, DUI Cost Recovery Ordinance to item B, and requested that Council hold a special work session to discuss the future water use in Milton – possibly on Tuesday, June 5th at 7:00 P.M. She

also reminded them of the meeting on Tuesday, May 15th at 7:00 P.M. to discuss the visioning of the City and getting council's ideas.

STUDY ITEMS:

AB07-007A Animal Control Proposal:

Police Chief Rhoads introduced this proposal to Council and explained how the City would benefit from this contract. He shared that the City pays \$90 for every dog or cat that is brought to the Pierce County Humane Society. Chief Rhoads has recently been in contact with King County, who has indicated they have personnel resources to perform animal control services for the City of Milton. The contract presented to council states that King County would receive all the revenue from licensing, fines, impoundments, etc. There would not be any additional payments, above and beyond that revenue stream, by the City. Chief expressed that there would be a loss of revenue from licensing of animals, fines, etc. However, there would also be a reduction in costs from not having to pay impound fees.

Councilmembers discussed this issue and asked clarifying questions of Chief Rhoads.

AB07-056A DUI Cost Recovery, Ordinance 16xx-07:

Police Chief Rhoads introduced a draft ordinance and explained how the DUI cost recovery would work. He shared that, on an average, DUI incidents take approximately 6 hours of an officer's time, including court time. He shared that Fife, Puyallup and Sumner are just some of the surrounding cities that are participating in this.

Council asked clarifying questions about the process and the ordinance.

AB07-062A Cell Site Proposals:

Public Works Director Neal introduced this agenda item and recapped the discussion and the negotiated offer presented to Council at the previous Council meeting. Council discussed the financial implications of the proposal. The proposals will be brought back to the regular Council meeting for a vote.

AB07-058A Stormwater Rate Discussion:

Public Works Director Neal explained that she is proposing a two-fold rate increase of \$2.75 per month per Equivalent Service Unit (ESU). Council expressed their concern regarding a rate increase. It was explained that stormwater utility fund is not self sufficient at the current ESU rate. The proposed rate increase would allow for \$0.50 to go towards future capital projects. Council discussed how there are two separate items for discussion.

Director Neal gave council some thoughts to consider. She also addressed council questions and concerns regarding the rate increase.

Mayor Asay recessed the meeting at 8:49 p.m. for 5 minutes.

Mayor Asay reconvened the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Mayor Asay commented that Public Works Director Neal has brought forward several ideas on how stormwater rates can be charged. She stressed that if Council is interested in looking at any of the ideas that they can request that the rate structure be brought back for changes.

AB07-055A Cable TV Franchise, Ordinance 16xx-07:

Interim City Administrator Carter provided a brief background on this agenda bill and explained that Comcast has agreed to allow an increase of the current franchise fee to 5%. Public Works Director Neal shared that the other item that needs to be looked at is the possibility of adding language in the franchise agreement that addresses the placement of Comcast utilities underground.

AB07-066 EMS Levy:

Fire Chief Jaques introduced this agenda item. He explained that the last ballot measure failed by 1%. He is proposing a \$0.50 per \$1,000 ballot measure for EMS services for the entire City of Milton, including both King County and Pierce County. The City is aware that King County will be placing an EMS ballot measure in the November election.

Chief Jaques and Mayor Asay addressed the questions and concerns of the council.

This will be brought back to Council for a vote on Monday, May 21st.

AB07-025A At Risk Youth Grant Applications:

Mayor Asay introduced this agenda item. The City received six grant applications for the At Risk Youth Programs Grant. Mayor Asay composed a committee to evaluate the applications. The Mayor asked council what amount they would want the grant to be for. Paidion scored the highest in the evaluation process.

Council discussed the amount of the grant as well as which program would be the recipient.

AB07-028B Parade and Picnic Update:

Mayor Asay provided a brief update on the parade and picnic. Fire Chief gave a brief update on the proposed Fire Works display. Mayor Asay stated that the contracts for the vendors will be brought to Council for approval in the future.

Mayor Asay reminded Council of the Veterans Memorial Dedication on Monday, May 28th at 2 P.M. and requested that council RSVP to Katie.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Katrina Asay, Mayor

ATTEST:

Maria Pierce, City Clerk