

# City of SeaTac

## Regular Council Meeting Minutes

April 26, 2016  
7:00PM

City Hall  
Council Chambers

**CALL TO ORDER:** The SeaTac City Council Regular Meeting was called to order by Mayor Michael Siefkes at 7:00 p.m.

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Mayor Michael J. Siefkes, Deputy Mayor (DM) Pam Fernald, Councilmembers (CMs) Rick Forschler, Kathryn Campbell, Peter Kwon, Tony Anderson, and Erin Sitterley.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Acting City Manager Joe Scorcio, City Attorney Mary Mirante Bartolo, City Clerk Kristina Gregg, Senior Assistant City Attorney Mark Johnsen, Acting Community & Economic Development (CED) Director Jeff Robinson, Judge Elizabeth Bejarano, Public Works (PW) Director Will Appleton, City Engineer Florendo Cabudol, Parks & Recreation (P&R) Director Lawrence Ellis, and Police Chief Lisa Mulligan.

**FLAG SALUTE:** Councilmember Erin Sitterley led the Council, audience, and staff in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Vicki Lockwood commented on the following: (1) staff got the city a monetary credit for an improperly installed HVAC system, (2) Council travel expenses exceeding what was approved, (3) one CM is undermining the City and staff's ability to function, and (4) Council needs to create clear and realistic goals.

Joel Wachtel, speaking for a group, highlighted the first 116 days of current Council actions. He commented on an article by Glen Morgan and suggested that the City investigate the accusations in the article.

Earl Gipson requested Council consider choosing a resident executive and discuss this in public in the future.

Mary Koontz stated the Neighbors Without Borders Group conducted their 9<sup>th</sup> annual cleanup with 17 volunteers.

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

#### **Law Week Proclamation**

Judge Elizabeth Cordi-Bejarano requested Council declare next week as Law Week. She highlighted events scheduled for the week.

Mayor Siefkes read and presented the certificate to Judge Elizabeth Cordi-Bejarano.

#### **Stand Against Racism Proclamation**

YWCA Homeless Initiatives Director Mona Tschurwald announced Friday is stand against racism day.

Mayor Siefkes read and presented the certificate to YWCA Homeless Initiatives Director Mona Tschurwald.

### **Key City Issues Status**

Acting City Manager Scorcio commented on the following:

- (1) draft letter in support of Sound Transit funding request for TIGER Grant – Council discussion ensued regarding the letter with direction given to send the letter,
- (2) future discussion about council information requests (CIR) and amendments to section 10 of the Council Administrative Procedures,
- (3) Lawrence Ellis has been appointed as the P&R Director effective today,
- (4) May 10 Council Meeting: need Council input on Vision, Mission, Goals, and 2016 budget analysis will be presented,
- (5) Council comments by May 16 to Legal regarding ethics code to be discussed at June Retreat,
- (6) a couple of CMs have requested presentation on previous NPDES lawsuit, lawyer is willing to come to a Council meeting but need to narrow list or discussion, Council suggested having it at a future Land Use & Parks (LUP) / Planning Commission (PC) meeting to allow additional discussion,
- (7) vehicles for-hire, King County (KC) representative is willing to do a presentation – Council consensus for future Council Study Session (CSS);
- (8) Grant applications – Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) to fund some pedestrian and bike improvements on South 200<sup>th</sup> Street, and King County (KC) Flood Control District to address storm water issues at South 168<sup>th</sup> Street,

**PRESENTATIONS (continued):**

**Key City Issues Status (continued):**

- (9) April 27 – Roundtable with Airport,
- (10) April 30 – 10 a.m., Prescription Drug Take Back Program, and
- (11) May 2 - Administration & Finance (A&F) Committee Meeting.

City Attorney Mirante Bartolo provide update on K&S lawsuit stating the City is still waiting for the final judgement. The City will then file an appeal.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Approval of claims vouchers (check no. 114338 - 114513) in the amount of \$493,984.01 for the period ended April 20, 2016.**

**Approval of payroll vouchers (check no. 53257 - 53275) in the amount of \$77,790.93 for the period ended April 15, 2016.**

**Approval of payroll electronic fund transfer (check no. 87589 - 87720) in the amount of \$312,292.19 for the period ended April 15, 2016.**

**Approval of payroll wire transfer in the amount of \$50,663.89 for the period ended April 15, 2016.**

**Pre-approval or final approval of City Council and City Manager travel related expenses for the period ended April 22, 2016.**

**Approval of Council Meeting Minutes:**

**Public Safety & Justice Committee Meeting held April 6, 2016**

**The following items were reviewed at the April 12, 2016 Council Study Session and recommended for placement on this Consent Agenda:**

**Agenda Bill #4248; A Motion authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease amendment with the Refugee Women's Alliance (REWA) at the SeaTac Center.**

**Agenda Bill #4332; A Resolution #16-012 setting the salary for the Acting City Manager position.**

MOVED BY FERNALD, SECONDED BY CAMPBELL TO ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.\*

Council discussion ensued regarding current voucher process. Mr. Scorcio stated that the process is not currently interfering with staff's effectiveness as it's a learning experience.

\*MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (related to Action Items and Unfinished Business):** There were no public comments.

**ACTION ITEM:**

**Agenda Bill #4311; A Motion authorizing City Manager to execute a construction contract and authorize expenditures for the Connecting 28<sup>th</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> Avenue South Project, from South 200<sup>th</sup> to 208<sup>th</sup> Streets.**

**Summary:** The Connecting 28<sup>th</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> Avenue South project extends 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue South from its current terminus at South 200<sup>th</sup> Street to South 208<sup>th</sup> Street at 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue South. The project constructs a new principal arterial road that includes sidewalks, shared use paths, bicycle lanes, curb, gutter, paving, street lighting, undergrounding of overhead utilities, landscaping, and storm drainage infrastructure. Construction of this roadway project aligns with two Council goals:

1. Planning and constructing infrastructure improvements in the South 200<sup>th</sup> Street Light Rail Station Area that increase the viability of commercial development while also engaging in strategic urban planning efforts to determine the highest and best land uses in this area, incorporating input from SeaTac residents and adjacent businesses, as well as the development community; and

2. Energetically advocate for completion of SR 509 to I-5 in local, statewide and federal forums including support of public-private partnerships, grants and revenue options that will result in funding necessary for construction of the SR 509/Puget Sound Gateway Project.

**ACTION ITEM (continued):**

**Agenda Bill #4311 (continued):** The Connecting 28<sup>th</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> Avenue South project was advertised on March 9, 2016 and five bids were opened on April 1, 2016. The lowest responsive and responsible bidder was determined to be Ceccanti, Inc. They submitted a bid of \$12,298,620.33, 13% below the Engineer's Construction Cost Estimate of \$14,108,628.79. References were checked and were all positive. Ceccanti, Inc. is experienced and qualified to perform the work and has constructed successful projects with several city municipalities in the region.

Project construction will be funded through a variety of sources including: a State Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) grant; a Washington State Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board (FMSIB) grant; Connecting Washington funds, Puget Sound Gateway Project funds, utility reimbursements, and transportation mitigation funds from Sound Transit for the Angle Lake Light Rail Station. It is anticipated that 100% of City expenditures will be reimbursed through grants and partnering utilities. Adequate City funds are available to cover project expenditures prior to reimbursements being received.

The available project funding and requested expenditure authorization are as follows:

**Available Project Funding**

WA State TIB Grant	\$ 5,480,000
WA State FMSIB Grant	\$ 2,500,000
Connecting Washington Funds	\$ 1,300,000
Puget Sound Gateway Project Funds	\$ 4,300,000
Sound Transit	\$ 3,400,000
Midway Sewer District Reimbursement	\$ 150,700
Highline Water District Reimbursement	\$ 123,600
Puget Sound Energy Reimbursement	\$ 154,740
Comcast Reimbursement	\$ 52,600
<u>CenturyLink Reimbursement</u>	<u>\$ 64,500</u>
<b>Available Funding</b>	<b>\$ 17,526,140</b>

**Requested Expenditure Authorization:**

Construction Contract	\$ 12,298,621
Contingency (10%)	\$ 1,229,862
King County Materials Testing and Inspection	\$ 239,885
Construction Inspection Overtime	\$ 55,000
Construction Management Support Services	\$ 1,010,000
<u>Puget Sound Energy Conversion Project</u>	<u>\$ 103,159</u>
<b>Total Anticipated Expenditure</b>	<b>\$ 14,936,527</b>

MOVED BY ANDERSON, SECONDED BY FERNALD TO APPROVE AGENDA BILL #4311.\*

City Engineer Cabudol reviewed the agenda bill summary and highlighted the project.

Council discussion ensued regarding the project.

\*MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

*This item was placed on Consent Agenda at the April 26, 2016 Council Study Session (CSS).*

**Agenda Bill #4332; A Resolution setting the salary for the Acting City Manager position.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** There was no Unfinished Business.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There was no New Business.

**CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS:** Acting City Manager Scorcio stated that CIRs will be addressed at the next A&F meeting.

**COMMITTEE UPDATES:** CM Kwon stated that a Code Enforcement Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for May 11.

CM Campbell stated that the Sidewalk Committee is in need of applicants.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:** CM Sitterley suggested the CSS time be changed to 5 p.m. or 4:30 p.m. in order to allow more time for the CSS discussions. She thanked Civil Engineer Eric Proctor for fixing a problem in her neighborhood.

CM Anderson thanked the Neighbors without Borders group for their cleanup efforts.

DM Fernald commented on the following: (1) Neighbors without Borders cleanup efforts, which included Scout Troop 290 and staff, (2) Arbor Day event, and (3) Community Leadership Academy.

CM Forschler thanked CM Kwon and A&F Committee for better visibility of vouchers.

CM Campbell spoke regarding an Energy Legislation Bill that passed and will serve the entire Country.

CM Kwon commented on the following: (1) SeaTac Park Cleanup, (2) thanked staff for voucher process and responding in such a short turn around, (3) visited REWA, (4) visited South 154<sup>th</sup> Street property where there is currently a parking problem due to the UW station opening, and (5) PC public hearing (PH) on Tuesday regarding wetlands.

Mayor Siefkes stated he also toured REWA as well as visited Somali businesses in that area.

**RECESSED:** Mayor Siefkes recessed the meeting to an Executive Session to consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease at 8:45 p.m.

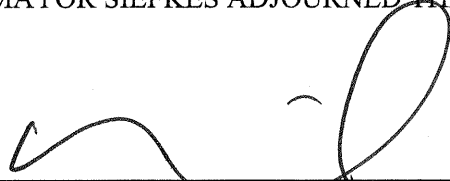
**EXECUTIVE SESSION: To consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease RCW 42.30.110(1)(c) (15 minutes)**

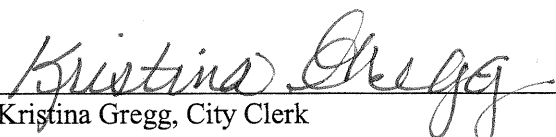
Senior Assistant City Attorney Johnsen announced that Council requested an additional 20 minutes at 9:00 p.m.

**RECONVENED:** Mayor Siefkes reconvened the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

**ADJOURNED:**

MAYOR SIEFKES ADJOURNED THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SEATAC CITY COUNCIL AT 9:20 P.M.

  
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Michael J. Siefkes, Mayor

  
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Kristina Gregg, City Clerk