City of SeaTac Regular Council Meeting Minutes

May 9, 2017 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, Councilmembers (CMs) Rick Forschler, Peter Kwon, Tony Anderson, and Erin Sitterley. Excused absent: Deputy Mayor (DM) Pam Fernald and CM Kathryn Campbell.

STAFF PRESENT: Acting City Manager Gwen Pilo, Senior Assistant City Attorney Mark Johnsen, City Clerk Kristina Gregg, Community & Economic Development (CED) Director Jeff Robinson, Parks, Community Programs and Services Director Lawrence Ellis, Police Chief Lisa Mulligan, and Public Works (PW) Director Will Appleton.

FLAG SALUTE: CM Kwon led the Council, audience, and staff in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Aaron Hayden commented on the following: (1) public participation during Council Meetings, (2) against the proposed disbanding of the Community Building Committee, and (3) inclusion Ordinance.

Ray Overholt reiterated his comments regarding running businesses out of homes, specifically limo service.

PRESENTATIONS:

Key City Issues and Requests for Direction

Acting City Manager Pilo stated City Manager Scorcio is out of town and will be back in the office Monday morning.

Council Requests to Refer Items to Committees

No requests were made.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of claims vouchers (check no. 117744 - 117840) in the amount of \$312,109.55 for the period ended May 5, 2017.

Approval of payroll vouchers (check no. 53826 - 53846) in the amount of \$80,225.49 for the period ended April 30, 2017.

Approval of payroll electronic fund transfer (check no. 90815 - 90947) in the amount of \$458,429.74 for the period ended April 30, 2017.

Approval of payroll wire transfer in the amount of \$52,041.89 for the period ended April 30, 2017.

Approval of Council Meeting Minutes: Special Council Meeting held April 25, 2017 Town Hall Meeting held April 26, 2017

The following item was reviewed at the April 25, 2017 Special Council Meeting and recommended for placement on this Consent Agenda:

Agenda Bill #4630; A Motion authorizing the City Manager to sign a new 5 year (2018-2022) Interlocal Agreement for Animal Control Services with Regional Animal Services of King County (RASKC).

MOVED BY ANDERSON, SECONDED BY SITTERLEY TO ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (related to Action Items and Unfinished Business): Earl Gipson spoke against Agenda Bill #4631.

ACTION ITEM:

Agenda Bill #4631; A Motion authorizing the City Manager execute a contract with the Center for Advanced Transportation and Energy Solutions (CATES) to develop an Action Plan for bringing autonomous vehicles to the City of SeaTac, and reallocate \$20,000 within the Streets Fund.

Summary: Following a Council Study Session (CSS) presentation on March 14, 2017, the City Council directed the City Manager to identify possible funding that the Council could consider reallocating in the 2017 Budget to pay for this contract. Deferral of the Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Study in the PW budget is the most viable option for funding.

In February of 2017, the CATES submitted an unsolicited proposal to the City of SeaTac to prepare an Action Plan document with guidance for City of SeaTac to justify and act on bringing advanced transportation technologies that have the potential to reduce accidents, emissions and congestion to the City of SeaTac. An initial focus will be on the feasibility of automated mobility services that also have a significant economic development potential for the City.

The Action Plan would include a federal funding feasibility determination, with specific, immediately actionable grant opportunities identified for follow-on grant-writing and grant-submission action by the City if it were to decide to implement the Action Plan.

The focus of mobility services would be on SAE Level 5 (completely driverless), under 35 mph, multi-passenger, remotely monitored, street-legal, supplementary point-to-point transit within a specified operational design domain (ODD, as described by the U.S. Government). CATES has stated in its public presentations that the technology applications now exist that can be deployed within City of SeaTac inside of two years.

After discussion at the April 25 Special Council Meeting (SCM), the scope of work was modified to include: (1) additional research into federal requirements and/or restrictions regarding autonomous vehicles, (2) broader discussion and analysis of telecommunication requirements needed to support autonomous vehicles, and (3) expanded delineation of the relationship of this study within the overall ITS analysis.

In addition, Council asked for examples of past relevant work products completed by CATES. This will be provided directly to the Council prior to the May 9 meeting.

Funding for the proposed work would be addressed through the reallocation of 2017 ITS Study funds in the amount of \$20,000. This action will delay the start of work on the ITS Study until 2018.

PW Director Appleton reviewed the agenda bill summary.

MOVED BY FORSCHLER, SECONDED BY KWON TO PASS AGENDA BILL #4631.*

Council discussion ensued regarding comments and recommendations made at the last CSS, which were included in the Council packet, and the ITS Study. Mr. Appleton responded that staff anticipates starting the ITS Study in fall 2017. However, if this agenda bill is passed, the ITS Study will be delayed based on budget.

*MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: There was no Unfinished Business.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no New Business.

CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS: Acting City Manager Pilo announced that tonight we are celebrating three birthdays: DM Fernald, Senior Assistant City Attorney Johnsen, and PW Director Appleton.

COMMITTEE UPDATES: Council provided the following committee updates:

CM Sitterley – A&F Committee discussed topics for the upcoming Friday, June 23 Council Workshop/Retreat. She presented the list of potential topics.

CM Kwon – Code Compliance Committee this week and Transportation & Public Works in two weeks CM Forschler – Land Use & Parks (LUP) Committee discussed the Comprehensive Plan.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Mayor stated his appreciation of the public in attendance at tonight's meeting.

ADJOURNED:

MAYOR SIEFKES ADJOURNED THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SEATAC CITY COUNCIL AT 7:16 P.M.

Michael J. Sietkes, Mayor

Kristina Gregg, City Clerk