

# City of SeaTac

## Regular Council Meeting Minutes

August 10, 2010  
6:00 PM

City Hall  
Council Chambers

**CALL TO ORDER:** The SeaTac City Council Regular Meeting was called to order by Mayor Terry Anderson at 6:10 p.m.

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Mayor Terry Anderson, Deputy Mayor (DM) Gene Fisher, Councilmembers (CMs) Rick Forschler, Anthony (Tony) Anderson, Ralph Shape, Pam Fernald, and Mia Gregerson.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Interim City Manager (ICM) Todd Cutts, City Attorney Mary Mirante Bartolo, Senior Assistant City Attorney Mark Johnsen, Deputy City Clerk Marcia Rugg, Interim Assistant City Manager (IACM) Jeff Robinson, Facilities Director Pat Patterson, Public Works (PW) Director Tom Gut, PW Maintenance Supervisor Sean Clark, Acting Fire Chief Brian Wiwel, Police Chief Jim Graddon, Human Services (HS) Manager Colleen Brandt-Schulter, Court Administrator Mary Pederson and Police Captain Annette Louie.

**FLAG SALUTE:** John Thompson led the Council, audience and staff in the pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** There were no public comments.

### PRESENTATIONS:

#### •Ruth Dykeman Children's Center

Clinical Therapist Alisa Kelley quoted the Ruth Dykeman Children's Center mission statement - success and self-sufficiency for children, families and community. The center provides therapy for youth and their families in the community, home and agency. They work to help individuals and families achieve emotional, mental and behavioral health. With the financial support from the City, this agency is able to serve families throughout the year. Ms. Kelley gave an overview of challenges she undertakes in the community. She meets with clients individually, in-family sessions, schools, their homes and at the agency. In the past eight months, the number of allowed SeaTac grant funded clients has already reached close to the year's total. There has been a large increase in need from previous years. She stated many examples of her successes working with families and individuals.

#### •Global to Local Project

Program Manager Adam Taylor stated he is an employee of King County (KC) Seattle Public Health. He presented a background of the local initiative. In Washington State there are several institutions that are working overseas to address health issues with developing countries. These approaches used overseas are being analyzed to apply in the pilot cities of SeaTac and Tukwila for residents who have little or no access to basic health services and economic opportunity. The partners involved are KC Seattle Public Health, Swedish Medical Services, HealthPoint, and Washington Global Health Alliance based in Seattle. They all are reaching out to community based organizations for financial support.

The strategies to be tested in Tukwila and SeaTac include: using community health works, economic development, supporting community-based organizations, generating focused campaigns around priority health issues, using communications technology to transform practices and integrating public health and primary medical services. The project involves three different phases. They are currently in phase 1 - evaluation, phase 2 - identify partners and phase 3 - implementation. The seed funds come from Swedish. There is a request for \$400,000 which is being considered under the federal appropriations bill.

CM Gregerson requested future feedback on the progress of the program.

#### •Economic Development (ED) Update

IACM Robinson stated that at the June Council retreat ED was voted as the number one priority goal for the upcoming year. He detailed the goals and objectives of the ED program which includes the following: improve quality of life for the community; attract quality family-wage jobs; augment a tax base; encourage private investment; continue to improve image/identity of SeaTac to existing and prospective residents, visitors, and businesses; and promote tourism and assist SeaTac hotels to attract more guests. These goals are being done through real estate development, business recruitment and retention.

Other development strategies are being applied through image and communications methods. The City launched its ED brand, "Everywhere's Possible" in 2008 and is communicated through local, regional and national publications and magazines. The City works together in a partnership with the Southwest King County ED Initiative (SKCEDI) and as members of several economic development associations. An ED video was produced

**PRESENTATIONS (Continued):**

and shown on SeaTV and a new section of the website was created to highlight new and expanding businesses and development activity.

Mr. Robinson detailed the growth of new jobs, businesses, permit and license fees from 2009-2010.

The City will continue with future activities in business recruitment and retention, marketing various properties for development and redevelopment.

**•SCORE (South Correctional Entity) Update**

SCORE Director Penny Bartley stated SCORE serves member cities Auburn, Burien, Des Moines, Federal Way, Renton, SeaTac and Tukwila. The jail is currently being constructed in Des Moines.

Ms. Bartley outlined the history of SCORE. In 2006 the cities joined together to complete the Ricci-Greene Study which identifies the 20 year jail needs. In 2007 the SCORE cities joined together for the SCORE feasibility study. In 2008 the design and financing work began. In 2009 the cities located a site in the City of Des Moines and started construction.

Ms. Bartley detailed the photos of the various areas of the facility. The anticipated rates for the 2012 preliminary budget for owner rates will be approximately \$112.50 resulting in a savings to the member cities. Previously anticipated rates were \$120.63. The project is on track and on budget. The facility will open in September 2011.

The current focus is hiring with an anticipated 142 full-time employees (FTE's) upon completion. Police chiefs from each city will be involved on the operations board.

Council discussion ensued regarding testing fees, and comparing jail fees with KC.

**DISCUSSION ITEM:**

**•Summary of \$5,000 - \$35,000 Purchase Requests for the period ended August 6, 2010**

ICM Cutts reviewed the requests:

<u>Item Description</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Amended Budget</u>	<u>Estimate</u>
32 Tactical Vests and Front armor Rifle Plates	Police	\$17,000	\$17,000	\$17,000
32 Back ST Impact Armor Trauma Plates	Police	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000

**Council consensus:** Referred to the 08/10/10 RCM Consent Agenda

**AGENDA BILL PRESENTATIONS:**

**Agenda Bill #3251 – A Resolution sponsoring the request of the SCORE (South Correctional Entity) to join the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Employee Benefit Trust**

**Summary:** The SCORE jail facility is scheduled to open in September 2011. Since SCORE is a new entity, it is necessary for SCORE to find employee benefits for its employees. SCORE would like to join the AWC Employee Benefits Trust for medical insurance. In order to do so, a member of both SCORE and the AWC Employee Benefit Trust must sponsor SCORE because SCORE is not a city. Such a Resolution is a requirement of AWC, and does not obligate the City in any way.

This Resolution sponsors the request of the SCORE to join the AWC Employee Benefit Trust.

Senior Assistant City Attorney Johnsen reviewed the agenda bill summary.

DM Fisher stated the Administration & Finance (A&F) Committee recommended this item for approval.

**Council consensus:** Referred to the 08/10/10 RCM Consent Agenda

**Agenda Bill #3209 – A Motion finalizing the costs for the new Fire Station 46 and accepting the project as complete**

**Summary:** Fire Station 46 project is completed. All work has been accepted by Council. The State has responded to all "Notices of Completion of PWs Project" which in turn has allowed the City to release all retainages to their respective contractors. Total project costs were \$7,779,302. Building construction costs per square foot were \$249.

**AGENDA BILL PRESENTATIONS (Continued):**

**Agenda Bill #3209 (Continued):**

On May 8, 2007 Council approved a budget of \$5,157,269 for construction of the fire station. Subsequently, Council approved an additional \$521,602 for green site work and fuel system. In April the estimated project costs were shown to Council at which point they directed the Facilities Director to do value engineering in an attempt to lower costs without diminishing the integrity of the building. At the April 8, 2008 A&F Committee meeting, the Facilities Director reviewed with Council value engineering items with an estimated cost savings of \$272,900. It was mentioned that proceeding with the cost saving items (i.e. composition roofing, wood siding, etc.) would compromise the 50 year sustainability of the building as requested originally by Council. Council elected to proceed with the construction as designed.

Mr. Patterson detailed a graph detailing the year and average fire station construction costs. The fire station was scheduled to go out for bid in the spring of 2007. The start of construction was delayed due to concerns regarding the location. The major portion of project was eventually bid out between March and May of 2008. From 2007 to mid 2008, construction costs increased nearly 15%.

Facilities Director Patterson reviewed the agenda bill summary.

CM Forschler contacted an outside contractor to validate the dollar amounts seen on the RS Means website and they found that Mr. Patterson's summary had better dollar numbers than what was on the website. He concurs with Mr. Patterson that the dollars per square footage typically appeared to be closer to the \$350 per square foot. He is curious how this is reconciled with the state auditor's recommendation.

**Council consensus:** Referred to the 08/10/10 RCM Consent Agenda

**Agenda Bill #3245 – A Motion authorizing the purchase of salt brine equipment for snow and ice control on City streets**

**Summary:** This Motion authorizes the purchase of a salt brine maker, two storage tanks, a 1,000 gallon tank sprayer hook lift mounted, a 300 gallon tank sprayer skid mounted, and miscellaneous equipment.

The City has historically plowed and used a sand/salt mixture to fight winter snow and ice. Sand application attempts to improve traction without removing the compact snow and ice. The sand has to be cleaned off the streets and out of the storm system which can cost up to twice as much as the cost to plow and apply the sand. Salt brine application will prevent compact snow and ice from bonding to the pavement and improve our ability to remove snow and ice to achieve bare pavement while using 75% less sand.

The salt brine machine and accessories can be purchased on KC bid from Norstar Industries, Inc. for \$126,667.41, which is \$3,667.41 over the approved 2010 budget amount of \$123,000.00. The additional cost is due to a price increase on the brine making machine. Neighboring cities have shown an interest in purchasing salt brine solution from the City of SeaTac which would significantly reduce the cost over time.

PW Director Gut and PW Maintenance Supervisor Clark reviewed the agenda bill summary.

Mr. Clark stated that during the 2008 storm about 1,000 tons of sand was put down. With the clean up, only about 450 tons was recovered through clean sweeping and vacuuming out catch basins. It was determined the salt brine making machine and equipment would be a more efficient manageable system. The Cities of Burien, Tukwila, Normandy Park and around the outside of the Port of Seattle (POS) are interested in sharing the equipment.

Mr. Clark detailed the components of the equipment and pricing. The costs of the equipment will be absorbed in the 102 Fund.

Upon a question by CM Fernald, Mr. Clark stated the City of Auburn and Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) are using this product and they have seen a 70% reduction in sand. This product is put down before the storm and does not allow the snow to stick to the roadway. WSDOT and City of Seattle are purchasing from the tank farm in Chehalis. The City of Auburn can sell to other agencies.

CM Shape stated the Public Safety and Justice (PS&J) Committee recommended this item for approval.

Council discussion ensued regarding the environmental impacts of this product.

**Council consensus:** Referred to the 08/10/10 RCM Consent Agenda

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- **Approval of claims vouchers** (check nos. 90563 – 90780) in the amount of \$336,082.92 for the period ended August 5, 2010.
- **Approval of payroll vouchers** (check nos. 48948 – 49001) in the amount of \$371,956.76 for the period ended July 31, 2010.
- **Approval of payroll electronic fund transfers** (check nos. 64971 - 65157) in the amount of \$337,323.82 for the period ended July 31, 2010.
- **Approval of payroll wire transfer** (Medicare and Federal Withholding Tax) in the amount of \$63,431.65 for the period ended July 31, 2010.
- **Summary of \$5,000 - \$35,000 Purchase Requests** for the period ended August 6, 2010.

**Approval of Council Meeting Minutes:**

- **City Council Retreat** held June 4 and 5, 2010.
- **Administration and Finance Committee Meeting** held July 13, 2010.
- **Public Safety and Justice Committee Meeting** held July 13, 2010.
- **Special Land Use and Parks Committee Meeting** held July 26, 2010.
- **Transportation and Public Works Committee Meeting** held July 27, 2010.
- **Council Workshop** held July 27, 2010.
- **Regular Council Meeting** held July 27, 2010.

**Agenda Items reviewed under Agenda Bill Presentations recommended for placement on this Consent Agenda:**

**Agenda Bill #3251; Resolution #10-015** sponsoring the request of the SCORE (South Correctional Entity) to join the Association of Washington Cities Employee Benefit Trust

**Agenda Bill #3209; Motion finalizing the costs for the new Fire Station 46 and accepting the project as complete**

**Agenda Bill #3245; Motion authorizing the purchase of salt brine equipment for snow and ice control on City streets**

MOVED BY CM FISHER, SECONDED BY A. ANDERSON TO ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.\*

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (related to the Consent Agenda):** There was no Public Comments.

\*MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** There was no Public Comments.

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

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

**CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS:** ICM Cutts commented on the following: (1) August 24 Council meeting will be cancelled and any related Council Committee meetings; (2) Thursday, August 26 – 10:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.; Back to School Resource Fair at Angle Lake Family Resource Center; (3) week of August 16 – 20 he will be attending the Washington City/County Management Association (WCMA) meeting; and (4) week of August 23 he will be on vacation. IACM Robinson will be ICM.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:** CM Gregerson thanked those who collaborated and participated in the National Night Out (NNO). She spent her time with families of the teens and various programs.

CM Fernald commented on the following: (1) attended the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Highline Botanical Garden ice cream social with special guest Cisco Morris. Her neighbor Josiah was named volunteer of the month at the garden; (2) an article in the Highline Times had a recent article from resident Marleen Jones who stated her compliments to the SeaTac police, especially Officer Ed Brady for the rapid response to vandalism on her street; and (3) she attended three different NNO locations.

CM Forschler thanked CMs Fernald and Gregerson for working on the NNO.

CM Shape felt that many residents participated in NNO and thanked Officer Doug Reynolds on this event. He thanked the Zoning Code Update Ad Hoc Committee (AHC) for their dedication.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS (Continued):**

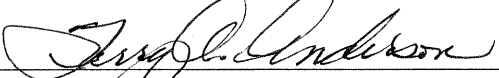
Mayor Anderson thanked the patience of Officer Brady for driving her around on NNO. She received a long letter from a resident from an apartment complimenting the City.

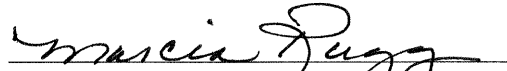
**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** There was no Executive Session.

**ADJOURNED:**

MOVED BY SHAPE SECONDED BY A. ANDERSON TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SEATAC CITY COUNCIL AT 7:23 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

  
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Terry Anderson, Mayor

  
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Marcia Rugg, Deputy City Clerk