

City of SeaTac
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Virtual Meeting

October 26, 2021
6:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Erin Sitterley called the SeaTac City Council Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT (remotely): Mayor Erin Sitterley, Deputy Mayor (DM) Peter Kwon, Councilmembers (CM) Senayet Negusse, Stanley Tombs, Clyde Hill, Takele Gobena, and Pam Fernald.

STAFF PRESENT (remotely): City Manager Carl Cole, City Attorney Mary Mirante Bartolo, City Clerk Kristina Gregg, Information Systems (IS) Technician Liban Ahmed, Deputy City Manager (DCM) Gwen Voelpel, Community & Economic Development (CED) Director Evan Maxim, Planning Manager Jenn Kester, Associate Planner Alena Tuttle, Finance & Systems Director Gwen Pilo, Government Relations & Communications Manager Kyle Moore, Treasury Operations Manager Ruth Black,

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

AGENDA REVIEW:

- A. If City Hall should lose power, staff will attempt to restart the meeting. If we are unable to restart the meeting, information will be posted on how the remaining meeting items will be continued.
- B. Virtual meeting, live streamed on SeaTV Government Access Comcast Channel 21 and the City's website.
- C. If the dial in line of 206.973.4555 isn't available due to a phone service outage, the instructions on entering the GoToMeeting were provided on the City's website.
- D. Public comment and public hearing comment opportunities were provided to commenters who signed-up or provided written comments prior to 2 p.m.
- E. To hopefully conduct tonight's public hearing (PH) prior to any potential power loss, Council is being asked to suspend the rules to move the PH forward on the agenda.

SUSPEND THE RULES:

MOVED BY HILL, SECONDED BY FERNALD TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO MOVE THE PUBLIC HEARING FORWARD ON THE AGENDA.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC HEARING (PH):

An interim Moratorium on applications for the permanent establishment of Halfway Houses, Work Release Facilities, and similar uses.

Mayor Sitterley opened the PH at 6:04 p.m.

CED Director Maxim stated this PH is on the moratorium passed in August. A PH is required within 60 days of passage. October 30 is the deadline. No action is being requested tonight.

He provided background information on the moratorium and reviewed a proposed approach and workplan.

Council commented their support of this moratorium.

City Attorney Mirante Bartolo and City Clerk Gregg read public comments in favor of the moratorium from B. Hagar, Larry Hughes, Jill Carrol, and Leonard Luna.

Mayor Sitterley closed the PH at 6:21 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Remote Public Comments

- Guillermo Mogollan – embracing diversity and inclusion
- EL'ona Kearney – what community is, residents coming together in unity
- Tom Sitterley – recycling event

PUBLIC COMMENTS (continued):

Written Public Comments

- Kevin Hope – concerns with CMs behavior

PRESENTATIONS:

Veterans Day Proclamation

Mayor Sitterley read the proclamation.

Key City Issues and Requests for Direction

City Manager Cole commented on the following items:

(1) Requested the following referrals:

- a. Seattle Southside Regional Transit Authority (SSRTA) Board Member Appointments to the November 9 Regular Council Meeting (RCM). Council concurred.
- b. Time Apartments Multi-family Tax Exemption (MFTE) to Planning & Economic Development (PED) Committee. Council concurred.
- c. Risk Assessment to Council Study Session (CSS). Council concurred.
- d. Strategic Property Acquisition and Disposition Report to CSS. Council concurred.

(2) Grant Application/Acceptance: Washington Traffic Safety Commission (WTSC) Target Zero Task Force - \$14,900

(3) 37 pounds of prescription medicine received in Take Back Event

(4) Parking Permit Program (PPP) includes apartments in the zone

(5) Memo regarding Local Fiscal Recovery Funds provided from ARPA provided today

(6) Calendar

(7) Update on tragedy at Angle Lake Park – the dad passed away, the daughter has recovered

(8) Planning Commission (PC) Work Plan for 2022 was sent out today

Council discussion ensued regarding PPP, evictions, and recovery funds.

Committee Updates (for items not included on the agenda) and review of proposed Council Requests

CM Hill: Arts, Culture & Library Advisory Committee (ACLAC) – subcommittee reaching out and communicating with various groups in the City, public art planning

CM Fernald: Sidewalk Advisory Committee (SAC) – presentation on criteria used to score projects

Mayor Sitterley: Administration & Finance (A&F) Committee – unclaimed property, City Council travel, SSRTA budget, reclassification of a vacant Legal Department position, quarterly financial and year end estimates, policy direction regarding property tax levy, and investment policy compliance report

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of claims vouchers (check no. 131859-132006) in the amount of \$1,973,860.44 for the period ended October 21, 2021.

Approval of payroll vouchers (check no. 55934-55944) in the amount of \$13,311.61 for the period ended October 15, 2021.

Approval of payroll electronic fund transfer (check no. 106181-106327) in the amount of \$432,551.43 for the period ended October 15, 2021.

Approval of payroll wire transfer in the amount of \$148,373.45 for the period ended October 15, 2021.

Approval of Council Meeting Minutes:

Administrative & Finance Committee meeting held September 9, 2021

Council Study Session held October 12, 2021

Regular Council Meeting held October 12, 2021

The following items were reviewed at the October 14, 2021 Administration & Finance Committee meeting and recommended for placement on this Consent Agenda:

Agenda Bill #5821; A Resolution #21-011 finalizing the 2021 unclaimed property reporting to the State of Washington.

CONSENT AGENDA (continued):

MOVED BY FERNALD, SECONDED BY TOMBS TO ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ACTION ITEMS:

Agenda Bill #5756; A Motion approving the City's 2022 Legislative Agenda.

Summary: The 2022 State Legislative Agenda consists of two documents. The first document is the 2022 Legislative Agenda that contains three to five top priorities for the City at the state level. Gordon Thomas Honeywell (GTH) will proactively seek to accomplish these top priorities.

The second document is the Policy Document (formally referred to as the Internal Legislative Agenda). These are also called "back page items" which gives the City's lobbyist policy direction on issues that will occur during the session. GTH will react to these items when they appear during the legislative session.

The 2022 Legislative Agenda was discussed for the first time at the CSS on September 14, 2021. The second discussion happened at the CSS on October 12, 2021. At the CSS, Council recommended the item be moved to the October 26, Regular Council Meeting (RCM) for consideration and potential action.

Government Relations & Communications Manager Moore introduced GTH Lobbyist Josh Weiss. They reviewed the agenda bill summary.

MOVED BY HILL, SECONDED BY NEGUSSE TO PASS AGENDA BILL #5756.*

Council discussion ensued regarding the revised policy document language, especially autonomous vehicles.

MOVED BY FERNALD, SECONDED BY NEGUSSE TO REVISE THE POLICY DOCUMENT REGARDING AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES BY ADDING "AND PROTECT LOCAL JOBS" AFTER THE WORDS PUBLIC SAFETY.**

Council discussion ensued regarding the amendment.

**AMENDED MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

*ORIGINAL MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, AS AMENDED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

CM Tombs stated there is a whole blood shortage and encouraged everyone to donate.

CM Hill commented on the Great Pumpkin Event.

CM Negusse extended an open invitation to the community to reach out to her and encouraged everyone to vote November 2.

CM Gobena wished everyone a wonderful evening.

CM Fernald stated she is also available any time. She reminded everyone to register to vote, in person through end of Tuesday at 8 p.m.


DM Kwon commented on the following items: (1) recycling event; (2) Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) – Chamber of Commerce has been giving them out; and (2) reminder to vote.

Mayor Sitterley commented on the following items: (1) October 26 is Day of the Deployed; (2) Veteran's Day memorial event; (3) windstorm; and (4) Halloween.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNED:

MAYOR SITTERLEY ADJOURNED THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SEATAC CITY COUNCIL AT 7:37 P.M.


Erin Sitterley, Mayor


Kristina Gregg, City Clerk

City of SeaTac

Veterans Day Proclamation

WHEREAS, America's veterans have fought to defend our country, its values, and its interests since the first days of our founding. They have defeated tyrants, eliminated terrorists, and secured freedom at home and abroad. Their courage and fortitude in the face of adversity serve as an example for all Americans. On Veterans Day, we pause to pay tribute to all who have proudly worn our Nation's uniform. These Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen selflessly placed lives, well-being, and security of others before their own. We enjoy the privileges of peace, prosperity, and freedom because of our veterans, and we are forever indebted to them beyond measure; and

WHEREAS, for their love of country and dedication to duty, America's veterans have endured adversity, loneliness, fatigue, loss, and made other incredible sacrifices. Many sustained life-altering physical injuries and disabilities; others bear the burden of emotional scars for the remainder of their lives. Our Nation's veterans fully understand liberty's high and precious cost, for they have paid it every day since the formation of our Republic; and

WHEREAS, our veterans represent the best of America, and they deserve the best America can provide them. To recognize and respect the contributions our service men and women have made in defense of America, and to advance the cause of peace, the Congress has provided that November 11th of each year shall be set aside as a legal public holiday to recognize America's veterans. These heroes served faithfully, humbly, and valiantly in times of war and peace, and they carried these admirable traits into the civilian workforce when their military service was fulfilled. Our precious liberty has survived and thrived because of generations of brave Americans — from every background and walk of life — who have answered the call to support and defend the United States. The gravity of their contribution is immeasurable and so is our debt to every single one of our Nation's veterans.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Erin Sitterley, along with the City Council, do hereby proclaim November 11, 2021, as Veterans Day in the City of SeaTac. I encourage all residents of our City to recognize the fortitude and sacrifice of our veterans through public ceremonies and private thoughts and prayers. I call upon our City to display the flag of the United States and to support this day with commemorative expressions and programs.

Given under my hand and the seal of the City of SeaTac this 26th day of October 2021.



Erin Sitterley, Mayor