City of SeaTac Regular Council Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2012 6:00 PM

City Hall Council Chambers

- **CALL TO ORDER:** The SeaTac City Council Regular Meeting was called to order by outgoing Mayor Terry Anderson at 6:00 p.m.
- **COUNCIL PRESENT:** Mayor Anthony (Tony) Anderson, Deputy Mayor (DM) Mia Gregerson, Councilmembers (CMs) Barry Ladenburg, Rick Forschler, Terry Anderson, Dave Bush, and Pam Fernald, and Outgoing CMs Gene Fisher and Ralph Shape.
- STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Todd Cutts, City Attorney Mary Mirante Bartolo, City Clerk Kristina Gregg, Human Resources (HR) Director Anh Hoang, Court Administrator Paulette Revoir, Interim Finance Director Joyce Papke, Assistant Finance Director Brenda Rolph, Community & Economic Development (CED) Director Cindy Baker, Planning Manager Barbara Nelson, Senior Planner Mike Scarey, Economic Development (ED) Manager Jeff Robinson, Police Administrative Captain Annette Louie and Fire Chief Jim Schneider.
- **FLAG CEREMONY:** SeaTac Fire Explorers Boy Scouts of America Post No. 24 and SeaTac Police Explorers, Post #2052 performed the Flag Ceremony and led the Council, audience and staff in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Vicki Lockwood spoke against the consideration of the appointment of Valerie Allan to the Human Services Advisory Committee (HSAC), and the election of a CM currently employed by the Port of Seattle (POS) to the position of Mayor.

Earl Gipson stated that in the last decade, SeaTac has lost 25% of its registered voters while there's been no population change. This decline is due to ineligible voters, residents who don't care about voting and a decline in the housing prices in SeaTac. Correlating this all together, it reflects part of the reason the public is not electing the Mayor.

PRESENTATIONS:

• Key to the City to outgoing Councilmembers (CMs) Gene Fisher and Ralph Shape

Mayor T. Anderson presented the Keys to the City to outgoing CMs Fisher and Shape.

CMs Fisher and Shape thanked the citizens, staff and Council for their support.

•Public Swearing-in of Barry Ladenburg to Council Position No. 1, Terry Anderson to Council Position No. 3, Dave Bush to Council Position No. 5 and Mia Gregerson to Council Position No. 7 as newly re-elected/elected Councilmembers

Judge Bejarano administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected/re-elected CMs Ladenburg, T. Anderson, Bush, and Gregerson. The CMs signed their Oath of Office and took their place at the dais.

• Election of Mayor and Deputy Mayor (DM) to serve through 2013

Outgoing Mayor T. Anderson declared the nominations open for Mayor.

CM Forschler nominated CM T. Anderson as Mayor for the City of SeaTac.

CM Ladenburg nominated CM A. Anderson as Mayor for the City of SeaTac.

With no further nominations, Outgoing Mayor T. Anderson declared the nominations closed.

Outgoing Mayor T. Anderson called for a vote for CM T. Anderson as Mayor of the City of SeaTac through December 31, 2013.

Upon a Roll Call vote, CM T. Anderson was not elected with Forschler, Fernald and T. Anderson voting yes and A. Anderson, Bush, Ladenburg, and Gregerson voting no.

Outgoing Mayor T. Anderson called for a vote for CM A. Anderson as Mayor of the City of SeaTac through December 31, 2013.

Upon a Roll Call vote, CM A. Anderson was elected with A. Anderson, Bush, Ladenburg, and Gregerson voting yes and Forschler, Fernald and T. Anderson voting no.

Outgoing Mayor T. Anderson then turned the Mayor's gavel over to newly elected Mayor A. Anderson.

Mayor A. Anderson declared the nominations open for DM.

PRESENTATIONS (Continued):

Election of Mayor and DM to serve through 2013 (Continued):

CM Forschler nominated CM T. Anderson as DM for the City of SeaTac.

Mayor A. Anderson nominated CM Gregerson as DM for the City of SeaTac.

With no further nominations, Mayor A. Anderson declared the nominations closed.

Mayor A. Anderson called for a vote for CM T. Anderson as DM of the City of SeaTac through December 31, 2013.

Upon a Roll Call vote, CM T. Anderson was not elected with Forschler, Fernald, and T. Anderson voting yes, and A. Anderson, Bush, Ladenburg, and Gregerson voting no.

Upon a Roll Call vote, CM Gregerson was elected with A. Anderson, Bush, Ladenburg, and Gregerson voting yes and Forschler, Fernald and T. Anderson voting no.

RECESSED: Mayor A. Anderson recessed the Regular Council Meeting (RCM) for a 15-minute reception at 6:26 p.m.

RECEPTION: Honoring Mayor and Deputy Mayor, outgoing Councilmembers Gene Fisher and Ralph Shape, and newly re-elected/elected Councilmembers Barry Ladenburg, Terry Anderson, Dave Bush, and Mia Gregerson

RECONVENED: Mayor A. Anderson reconvened the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

PRESENTATIONS (Continued):

•Institute for Family Development

Clinical Therapist Kim House stated that the institute has received funding through the HSAC for the last 10 years. They have developed a home builder's model which is an intense home base services for at-risk families. She detailed the program used in SeaTac - Parents and Children Together (PACT). Through SeaTac funding, they served 20 individuals (approximately five families). They provide a lot of positive parenting instruction.

• Council consideration of Valerie Allan for appointment to the Human Services Advisory Committee (HSAC) (Scheduled for confirmation at the 01/24/12 RCM)

Mayor A. Anderson announced the selection of Ms. Allan to be appointed to the HSAC.

In response to earlier comments made about Ms. Allan's qualifications, City Manager Cutts stated that Ms. Allan works at SeaTac schools.

Council consensus: Referred to the 01/24/12 RCM for confirmation

DISCUSSION ITEM:

•Summary of \$5,000 - \$35,000 Purchase Requests for the period ended January 5, 2012

City Manager Cutts reviewed the requests:

Item Description	Department	Budget	Estimate
Training Instructor and Quality Assurance Reviews	Fire	\$7,000	\$6,160
Metal Doors, Frames & Hardware	Parks	\$10,000	\$8,500
Production and Printing of SeaTac Report	City Manager's Office (CMO)	\$26,600	\$23,000
Association of Washington Cities (AWC) 2012 Membership	Non-Departmental	\$75,000	\$18,340

Council consensus: Referred to the 01/10/12 RCM Consent Agenda

•Summary of \$5,000 - \$35,000 Grant Acceptance Requests for the period ended January 5, 2012

City Manager Cutts reviewed the requests:

Item Description	Department	Budget	Estimate
Minor Home Repair (Community Development Block Grant [CDBG])	CMO	\$26,000	\$26,000

Council consensus: Referred to the 01/10/12 RCM Consent Agenda

AGENDA BILL PRESENTATIONS:

Agenda Bill #3396 - A Resolution amending the City Council Administrative Procedures

Summary: CM A. Anderson filled out a Council Information Request requesting that this Agenda Bill and Resolution be prepared for the January 10, 2012 RCM.

This Resolution amends the Council Administrative Procedures by eliminating the current Council Committee structure as set forth in Section 3 of the Procedures. Instead of the current standing committees, Council Study Sessions (CSSs) would be held to address City business in advance of the RCMs. Under the proposal, CSSs would be held at 3:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of every month. Items discussed at a CSS may be placed on the next RCM agenda upon agreement of a majority of CMs present. Ordinarily, items would not be placed on the RCM agenda the same day that it was discussed at a CSS, unless the Mayor or a majority of the CMs present agree that there are extraordinary or urgent circumstances or that it is in the best interest of the City to do so. A majority of the CMs present could also refer an item to a subsequent CSS if additional time is needed to study an item.

In addition, this Resolution repeals Resolution #11-006, which set the meeting times for Council Committees.

City Manager Cutts reviewed the agenda bill summary.

Mayor A. Anderson stated that this was reviewed at the Administration & Finance (A&F) Committee meeting and the decision was to bring it to the full Council for more discussion.

CM Forschler proposed the following changes: (1) CSS chair rotate every month, and (2) adopt a protocol for CSS to allow and encourage public comments. He requested this item be discussed under Unfinished Business.

Council consensus: Referred to the 01/10/12 RCM Unfinished Business

Agenda Bill #3373 – An Ordinance establishing a Community Building Committee as an advisory committee to the City Council

Summary: This Ordinance establishes a Community Building Committee. The mission of this Committee would be to engender a feeling of belonging and shared community, where there is equal opportunity and access to information and resources for all.

At the September 13 joint A&F and Public Safety & Justice (PS&J) Committee meeting, CM Gregerson introduced the idea of a new committee to the CMs present. The joint committee provided direction to the City Administration to research this committee and return to Council with alternatives. At the October 25, 2011 RCM staff presented Agenda Bill #3373, which reflects staff work with CM Gregerson to understand and refine the proposed objectives, mission, and structure of the committee. As such, the concept evolved into a Community Building Committee. Council directed staff to bring the agenda bill back for consideration on January 10, after the elections had concluded. This agenda bill reflects this additional step but is otherwise unchanged.

Since incorporation in 1990, the City of SeaTac has experienced growth on many fronts. The population has grown, the number of visitors to the City has increased, the number of jobs in the City has increased, vehicular traffic has increased, and the diversity of cultures and languages has also grown. Much of this growth has benefitted the City through new jobs, improved roads, parks, and transit and a rich cultural tapestry. As communities grow, it can be a challenge to retain a shared sense of community. Increased transiency within the population can lead to lack of familiarity with neighbors, which can contribute to the challenge of retaining a sense of community. Community outreach is one technique used to strengthen the community. The byproduct of this outreach if often a community where citizens have a feeling of belonging and shared community and where there is equal opportunity and access for all.

With the above in mind, the purpose of this Committee is to make recommendations to City Council to ensure that decisions are made to support community building. Recommendations will be developed through the Committee's workplan. The workplan will include tasks such as:

- Researching best practices of other jurisdictions and vetting those ideas within the community.
- Fostering communication and building trust with all City departments and within the community.
- Acting as a sounding board for projects and programs under development by the City.
- Seeking innovative, community-based ideas through sustainable, two-way communication within the community.
- Participating in existing City, school and community meetings and events to bridge communication gaps and promote active participation and community engagement.

AGENDA BILL PRESENTATIONS (Continued):

Agenda Bill #3373 (Continued): The Committee will consist of seven members representing a wide range of ages, neighborhoods, schools, cultures, religions, socio-economics, special needs and skills relevant to the workplan. Members will be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council to serve staggered two year terms. The Committee will elect a Chair and Vice Chair to provide leadership. The Committee will meet monthly and provide progress reports to the community twice annually and to the City Council on an as-needed basis.

Staff support for this committee exceeds current staffing levels. It is estimated that a .25 full-time employee (FTE) would be needed to provide on-going support to the Committee's workplan, including: conducting research, facilitating meetings/events, reviewing projects/programs, and supporting on-going community engagement. This staff support could be provided by the Assistant City Manager when that position (currently funded) is filled.

Alternately, the Committee could be staffed at a lower level, such as .1 FTE. Staff involvement in workplan implementation would be significantly reduced. Staff would be available to provide administrative functions such as distributing meeting agendas and taking meeting minutes, with minimal additional time available to support the Committee's research, facilitation, review and engagement functions. Greater reliance would be put on Committee members for workplan implementation.

City Manager Cutts reviewed the agenda bill summary.

Council discussion ensued regarding the proposed committee.

CM Forschler requested this item be discussed under Unfinished Business.

Council consensus: Referred to the 01/10/12 RCM Unfinished Business

CONSENT AGENDA:

- •Approval of claims vouchers (check nos. 96617 96794) in the amount of \$2,070,900.01 for the period ended December 20, 2011.
- **Approval of claims vouchers** (check nos. 96795 96796) in the amount of \$415.00 for the period ended December 20, 2011.
- •Approval of claims vouchers (check nos. 96797 96936) in the amount of \$414,296.13 for the period ended December 30, 2011.
- •Approval of payroll vouchers (check nos. 50290 50319) in the amount of \$173,444.93 for the period ended December 15, 2011.
- •Approval of payroll electronic fund transfers (check nos. 70823 71002) in the amount of \$342,625.92 for the period ended December 15, 2011.
- •Approval of payroll wire transfer (Medicare and Federal Withholding Tax) in the amount of \$67,976.26 for the period ended December 15, 2011.
- •Approval of payroll vouchers (check nos. 50320 50355) in the amount of \$494,553.47 for the period ended December 31, 2011.
- •Approval of payroll electronic fund transfers (check nos. 71003 71186) in the amount of \$344,878.96 for the period ended December 31, 2011.
- •Approval of payroll wire transfer (Medicare and Federal Withholding Tax) in the amount of \$69,015.71 for the period ended December 31, 2011.
- •Summary of \$5,000 \$35,000 Purchase Requests for the period ended January 5, 2012.
- Summary of \$5,000 \$35,000 Grant Acceptance Requests for the period ended January 5, 2012.

Approval of Council Meeting Minutes:

- Council Retreat held June 10 and 11, 2011.
- Council Budget Workshop 4 held October 21, 2011.
- Joint City Council/Planning Commission Workshop held November 15, 2011.
- Administration and Finance Committee Meeting held December 13, 2011.
- Regular Council Meeting held December 13, 2011.

MOVED BY GREGERSON, SECONDED BY LADENBURG TO ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.*

PUBLIC COMMENTS (related to the Consent Agenda): There were no public comments.

*MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (related to the Unfinished Business): Earl Gipson spoke against Agenda Bill #3373.

Yancai Chen, Mauricio Ayon, and Claudia Dickinson spoke in support of Agenda Bill #3373.

Vicki Lockwood spoke regarding Agenda Bill #3396, asking that the CSSs be videotaped.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Agenda Bill #3396; Resolution #12-001 amending the City Council Administrative Procedures

Council discussion ensued regarding videotaping CSSs, streamlining the meeting process, the chair position, and the benefits of this change.

CM T. Anderson left at this point in the meeting.

MOVED BY FORSCHLER, SECONDED BY FERNALD TO PASS RESOLUTION #12-001.*

MOVED BY FORSCHLER, SECONDED BY FERNALD TO AMEND THE RESOLUTION TO ADD THAT THE COUNCIL STUDY SESSION CHAIR POSITION WILL ROTATE MONTHLY AMONGST THE COUNCIL.**

MOVED BY FERNALD, SECONDED BY FORSCHLER TO AMEND THE RESOLUTION TO ADD THAT THE COUNCIL STUDY SESSION CHAIR POSITION WILL ROTATE EVERY OTHER MONTH.***

MOVED BY GREGERSON, SECONDED BY A. ANDERSON TO CHANGE THE COUNCIL STUDY SESSION TIME TO COMMENCE AT 4 P.M. INSTEAD OF 3 P.M.****

MOVED BY FORSCHLER, SECONDED BY FERNALD TO ADOPT A PROTOCOL TO ENCOURAGE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION THROUGHOUT COUNCIL STUDY SESSIONS.*****

*****UPON A ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION FAILED WITH A. ANDERSON, GREGERSON, LADENBURG, AND BUSH VOTING NO AND FORSCHLER AND FERNALD VOTING YES.

****MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

***UPON A ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION FAILED WITH A. ANDERSON, GREGERSON, LADENBURG, AND BUSH VOTING NO AND FORSCHLER AND FERNALD VOTING YES.

**CM Forschler agreed to withdraw his motion for monthly chair rotation.

*ORIGINAL MOTION, AS AMENDED, PASSED WITH FORSCHLER VOTING NO.

Agenda Bill #3373; Ordinance #12-1001 establishing a Community Building Committee as an advisory committee to the City Council

MOVED BY GREGERSON, SECONDED BY LADENBURG TO ADOPT ORDINANCE #12-1001.*

MOVED BY FERNALD, SECONDED BY FORSCHLER TO AMEND THE ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE STRUCTURE TO AN AD HOC COMMITTEE WITH A SUNSET DATE OF DECEMBER 31, 2012.**

MOVED BY FERNALD, SECONDED BY FORSCHLER, TO AMEND SECTION 1. PURPOSE TO READ "THE PURPOSE OF THIS ORDINANCE IS TO ESTABLISH AN AD HOC COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE.... THE PURPOSE OF THE COMMITTEE WOULD BE TO ESTABLISH A REASONABLE BASE OF SHARED COMMUNITY VALUES TO BE USED BY THE CITY FOR FUTURE COMMUNITY PLANNING".***

MOVED BY FORSCHLER, SECONDED BY FERNALD TO AMEND SECTION 2. CREATION OF COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE TO READ "THERE IS HEREBY CREATED AN ADVISORY COMMUNITY BUILDING COMMITTEE WHICH SHALL CONSIST OF SEVEN (7) RESIDENTIAL MEMBERS OF THE CITY THAT SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE MAYOR AND CONFIRMED BY THE CITY COUNCIL".****

- ****MOTION FAILED WITH FORSCHLER AND FERNALD VOTING YES.
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- *ORIGINAL MOTION PASSED WITH FORSCHLER AND FERNALD VOTING NO.

NEW BUSINESS: CM Bush requested the City change the way business is conducted by providing complaint forms in the back of the room and someone on the Council appointed to follow up on concerns to make sure they have been addressed. The meetings should only be used to discuss agenda items. Employee names should never be brought up in a negative manner during a public meeting.

Mayor A. Anderson requested Council prepare some recommendations to be discussed at the January 24 Council meetings related to administrative procedures.

CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS: City Manager Cutts commented on the following: (1) January 18 – 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., Global to Local Open House at the Family Resource Center; and (2) January 16 - City Hall closed in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: CM Forschler commented on an email from a Highline Community College Professor requesting suggestions for research projects. He suggested to the professor that the City has some challenges that might not exist in other cities. Many properties in the City, such as airport, light rail, and rental car facility, don't pay taxes. The City needs visibility as to the impact to the tax payers.

CM Bush stated that during the election, comments regarding real estate were made. He clarified that property values have gone down everywhere. If SeaTac is taking a bigger hit, it has to do with the airport, transfer station, two jails, and freeways. SeaTac's values are probably always lower than other areas.

CM Ladenburg congratulated Mayor A. Anderson for being selected as Mayor. He thanked CM T. Anderson and Gene Fisher for their service. He also thanked the people that elected him.

DM Gregerson welcomed CMs Ladenburg and Bush and congratulated Mayor A. Anderson. She commented on the following: (1) Communities Putting Prevention to Work (CPPW) Grant – Land Use & Parks (LUP) Committee approved endorsement for changes. The next deliverable to be discussed will be access to corner stores; and (2) Global to Local – five year grant by Swedish.

Mayor A. Anderson stated his appreciation for the police and fire explorers.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: There was no Executive Session.

ADJOURNED:

MOVED BY GREGERSON, SECONDED BY LADENBURG TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SEATAC CITY COUNCIL AT 8:48 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

nderson, Mayor

Kristina Gregg, City Clerk