City of SeaTac

Council Study Session Minutes Synopsis

January 24, 2012
4:00 PM
Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER: The SeaTac City Council Study Session was called to order by Mayor Anthony (Tony) Anderson at 4:04 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.

Agenda Bill #3388 – A Motion authorizing the City Manager to execute a Waste Reduction/Recycling (WR/R) Grant Program Agreement with the King County (KC) Solid Waste Division and authorizing the City Manager to execute all agreements related to said grant

Summary: The City of SeaTac is eligible to receive \$61,888 from the KC Solid Waste Division WR/R Grant Program for continued funding of the City's WR/R programs for the two-year period 2012-2013.

The \$61,888 grant will further the development and/or enhancement of local WR/R projects including residential and commercial WR/R education programs, business assistance programs and Special Recycling Events. These funds provide the revenue that is projected as part of the budget process for the proposed programs and staff salaries from January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013.

This Agreement provides an additional \$61,888 of funding over a two-year period to support the City's WR/R programs. The Special Recycling Events are 100% funded by the Seattle-KC Department of Public Health and KC Solid Waste Division grants to the City. The City will not incur any additional costs by accepting this grant.

Public Works (PW) Director Tom Gut reviewed the agenda bill summary.

Council discussion ensued regarding how the funding is determined.

Council consensus: Referred to the 02/14/12 RCM Consent Agenda

Agenda Bill #3397 – A Motion authorizing the City Manager to execute an Interagency Data Sharing Agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT)

Summary: This Motion authorizes the City Manager to execute an agreement with the WSDOT to govern information shared with WSDOT's Traffic Buster network. This agreement also governs ownership and maintenance of equipment provided by WSDOT to access the Traffic Buster network.

The WSDOT Traffic Buster project connects regional agencies to a traffic data sharing network that allows for cooperative multi-agency solutions to regional traffic congestion. The project will be designed and constructed through contracts administered by WSDOT. This project includes construction of a new fiber optic network through existing conduit and installation of computer and network equipment in SeaTac City Hall to access the network. Once connected, SeaTac will have access to video, images, signal timing information, travel time and origin/destination data from traffic signal cameras that are linked to the network. The Data Sharing Agreement governs how SeaTac, WSDOT, and other participating agencies use and disclose the data obtained from the network. The agreement identifies constraints for data use and security of the shared data. The City or WSDOT may provide written notice to terminate the agreement without cause at any time.

The work will be done by WSDOT at no cost to the City. WSDOT would retain ownership and maintain the computer workstation, network and video distribution equipment for the duration of the agreement.

PW Director Gut reviewed the agenda bill summary.

Council discussion ensued regarding costs and impacts to South 188th Street. Mr. Gut stated that there are no costs at this point. The City would have the opportunity in the future to invest City funds in traffic cameras for International Boulevard (IB). This would allow the connection to already be in place. SeaTac would just need to supply the cameras. WSDOT will be taking advantage, to the extent possible, the existing conduits between Military Road and the 1-5 off ramp.

Assistant City Engineer Florendo Cabudol stated that the new conduit will be along the I-5 off-ramp. South 188th Street has existing conduit.

Council consensus: Referred to the 02/14/12 RCM Consent Agenda

Agenda Bill #3400 – A Resolution amending the City Council Administrative Procedures regarding Format for Agendas for Council Meetings and Speaking Procedures

Summary: This Resolution amends Section 5 of the City Council Administrative Procedures related to the format for City Council Meeting agendas. Changes to the Council agenda are being proposed because of the Council's decision on January 10, 2012 to create Council Study Sessions (CSS) in lieu of Council Committees. This Resolution also makes minor changes to Section 7 of the Administrative Procedures pertaining to Speaking Procedures at Council Meetings.

City Manager Cutts and Mayor A. Anderson reviewed the agenda bill summary.

Council discussion ensued regarding the proposed changes. Council gave direction to staff to make the following amendments: increase the individual public comments back to three minutes, include public comments for New Business items when action will be taken the same night, and include provision for advisory committee / commission representatives to provide information during agenda bill presentations.

City Manager Cutts reviewed other cities practices for including public comment during meetings.

Staff will amend the document to be acted on at the February 14, 2012 Regular Council Meeting (RCM).

Council consensus: Referred to the 02/14/12 RCM Action Item

PRESENTATIONS:

This presentation was moved forward on the agenda to accommodate the presenters:

• Possible Tobacco Free Parks Presentation

Parks & Recreation (P&R) Director Kit Ledbetter stated that the P&R Department and the Tyee Educational Complex Peer Health Council had a "1 day, 1 park" clean up. He introduced KC Communities Putting Prevention to Work (CPPW) – Tobacco Prevention Project Officer Carolyn Hughes who assisted with applying for the grant and SeaTac Recreation Supervisor Brian Tomisser. Mr. Ledbetter stated that no action is being requested, just a consensus that staff and the Peer Health Council are going in the right direction.

Mr. Tomisser stated that on November 10 during the clean up almost 2,000 tobacco related parts were picked up. He introduced Tyee Educational Complex Peer Health Council members Lwam Medhane, Fatima Sesay, and Hajja Trawally and Community Schools Collaboration Health Program Manager Amanda Howard.

Ms. Sesay, Ms. Medhane, and Ms. Trawally explained why the parks should be tobacco free from a students perspective.

Mr. Ledbetter stated that the Tyee Education Complex is smoke free, however, Valley Ridge Park (VRP) is not so students and others just go to the park to smoke. Staff wants the City to consider smoke free parks.

Animal Services

Program Manager Soraya Lowry stated that this is the first of a series of briefings. The objectives are to provide an overview of options and secure Council direction regarding continued negotiations with KC.

Ms. Lowry stated that the City signed a 2-year contract with KC that will end this year. By January 25, the City needs to provide KC with verbal notice of interest, by February 14 a written notice of interest, by May 1 final notice of interest to approve a contract, and by July 1 Council needs to approve a contract.

Administrative Captain Annette Louie reviewed the options: continue with KC (\$107,000 per year for three years with subsidized costs from KC); sub-regional public-private partnership (\$120,000 per year with a three year minimum); and SeaTac Animal Control (\$200,000 for the first year, \$150,000 per year on-going).

Police Chief Jim Graddon stated that sheltering is a key issue. He reviewed sheltering considerations - philosophy, service levels, depth of service, types of animals, and cost.

Ms. Lowry compared the three models.

She requested Council consensus for staff to continue discussions with KC.

Council consensus was given to have staff provide verbal interest to KC by January 25.

PRESENTATIONS (Continued):

• Selection of 2012 Neighborhood Pedestrian Improvement Project location

PW Director Gut stated that the CPPW grant provided a tool for measures in order for compare/contrast options. Staff needs direction from Council in order to move forward with design.

He reviewed the options: (A) South 166th Street (between 34th Avenue South and Military Road South); (B) South 168th Street (34th Avenue South to Military Road South); and (C) South 204th Street and 32nd Avenue South.

Mr. Gut stated that staff is suggesting option B.

Council discussion ensued regarding the options. Council consensus was given to move forward with option B.

• Confirm application for State Jobs and Infrastructure Grants

PW Director Gut stated that the grant application is due January 27. Two projects will be submitted for funding: (1) completion of South 188th Street pavement restoration on westbound lanes and then overlay; and (2) South 164th Street sidewalk project.

Council consensus was given to submit the grant applications.

ADJOURNED: Mayor A. Anderson adjourned the Council Study Session at 6:08 p.m.