

City of SeaTac

Regular Council Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2012
6:00 PM

City Hall
Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER: The SeaTac City Council Regular Meeting was called to order by Mayor Anthony (Tony) Anderson at 6:05 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.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Todd Cutts, City Attorney Mary Mirante Bartolo, City Clerk Kristina Gregg, Assistant City Manager (ACM) Gwen Voelpel, Senior Planner Al Torrico, Senior Planner Mike Scarey, and Police Chief Jim Graddon.

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

Mayor A. Anderson took a moment to acknowledge the 11th anniversary of 9/11.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Barbara McMichael, South King County Cultural Coalition (SoCoCulture) Administrator, announced that in conjunction with the 150-year anniversary of the Civil War, the SoCoCulture is coordinating the efforts of local historical societies and other entities to commemorate Military Road's history. She also encouraged the City to consider developing a historic preservation proviso to help people who are interested in preserving historically significant landmarks.

John Thompson spoke in favor of CM Fernald's proposal made at the Council Study Session (CSS) to return the Council meetings to the Council committee structure.

Earl Gipson spoke regarding a pending lawsuit and actions taken by the City. He again requested the City enact a code of ethics for all.

City Attorney Mirante Bartolo stated that she can't speak regarding the pending lawsuit at this time. The case was heard in summary judgment and the City is awaiting a decision.

Vicki Lockwood spoke against Agenda Bill #3447 (City's Compensation Plan for non-represented employees).

PRESENTATION:

•Key to the City to Reserve Police Detective Joe Peluso for 50 years of Law Enforcement service to the citizens of King County (KC) and the City of SeaTac

Police Chief Graddon introduced Detective Peluso. He detailed Detective Peluso's years of service.

Detective Peluso stated that serving SeaTac was an honor. He introduced his family in attendance.

Mayor A. Anderson presented the Key to the City to Detective Peluso.

•Mayor's Day of Concern for the Hungry Proclamation *(see attached)*

Seattle/KC Emergency Feeding Program Executive Director Author R. Lee thanked the City for its continued support. He explained the purpose for the Day of Concern.

Mayor A. Anderson read and presented the proclamation to Mr. Lee.

•Council confirmation of Mayoral appointment of Wendy Morgan and re-appointment of Vickie Molzer to the Hotel/Motel (H/M) Tax Advisory Committee

MOVED BY T. ANDERSON, SECONDED BY GREGERSON TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF WENDY MORGAN AND RE-APPOINTMENT OF VICKIE MOLZER TO THE HOTEL/MOTEL TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE.*

Council discussion ensued as to the qualifications of H/M applicants.

*MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Ms. Morgan provided a Highline Botanical Garden update.

Mayor A. Anderson read and presented the certificate to Ms. Morgan. Ms. Molzer was unable to attend the meeting. Her certificate will be mailed to her.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- **Approval of claims vouchers** (check nos. 99509 – 99510) in the amount of \$88.00 for the period ended August 6, 2012.
- **Approval of claims vouchers** (check nos. 99511 – 99743) in the amount of \$433,270.44 for the period ended August 20, 2012.
- **Approval of claims vouchers** (check nos. 99744 – 99881) in the amount of \$684,745.45 for the period ended September 7, 2012.
- **Approval of payroll vouchers** (check nos. 50843 – 50882) in the amount of \$183,985.42 for the period ended August 15, 2012.
- **Approval of payroll electronic fund transfers** (check nos. 73693 – 73874) in the amount of \$346,938.99 for the period ended August 15, 2012.
- **Approval of payroll wire transfer** (Medicare and Federal Withholding Tax) in the amount of \$68,942.92 for the period ended August 15, 2012.
- **Approval of payroll vouchers** (check nos. 50883 – 50925) in the amount of \$421,479.69 for the period ended August 31, 2012.
- **Approval of payroll electronic fund transfers** (check nos. 73875 – 74063) in the amount of \$351,292.05 for the period ended August 31, 2012.
- **Approval of payroll wire transfer** (Medicare and Federal Withholding Tax) in the amount of \$67,961.09 for the period ended August 31, 2012.
- **Pre-approval or final approval of City Council and City Manager travel related expenses** for the period ended August 28, 2012.

Approval of Council Meeting Minutes:

- **Council Study Session** held August 14, 2012
- **Regular Council Meeting** held August 14, 2012

Agenda Items reviewed at the August 14, 2012 Council Study Session and recommended for placement on this Consent Agenda:

Agenda Bill #3448; Motion approving final acceptance of the sealcoating and striping work at various sites

Agenda Bill #3443; Motion authorizing the City Manager to execute a Design Agreement for the connecting 28th/24th Avenue South Project

Agenda Bill #3445; Motion authorizing the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement to update the City's Surface Water Utility Plan

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

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

*MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ACTION ITEMS:

Agenda Bill #3446; Ordinance #12-1012 authorizing the execution of the 2012-2014 Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Washington State Council of County and City Employees American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), AFL-CIO, Local #3830, and amending the City's 2012 Budget

MOVED BY GREGERSON, SECONDED BY LADENBURG TO ADOPT ORDINANCE #12-1012.*

Council discussion ensued regarding the AFSCME contract with comments made for and against the proposed contract, specifically related to the Cost of Living Allowance (COLA) provisions.

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

Agenda Bill #3447; Ordinance #12-1013 approving a revision in the City's Compensation Plan for non-represented employees of the City

MOVED BY GREGERSON, SECONDED BY LADENBURG TO ADOPT ORDINANCE #12-1013.*

Council discussion ensued regarding the proposed revision to the Compensation Plan with comments made for and against the proposal.

ACTION ITEMS (Continued):

Agenda Bill 33447; Ordinance #12-1013 (Continued):

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

Agenda Bill #3453; Motion establishing a Fire Consolidation Exploratory Community Ad-Hoc Committee and appointing its members

Summary: In 2011, the City and the Kent Regional Fire Authority (RFA) explored the option of merging fire services with the Kent RFA. During this exploration, it was discovered that this was not a financially viable proposition for either party. At the February 24, 2012 City Council retreat, the Council discussed other avenues for potential fire services consolidation with the Kent RFA. Council agreed that the City and RFA should undertake a process to analyze the viability of the City contracting for fire services with the Kent RFA.

A consolidation task force was subsequently assembled, comprised of elected officials and employees from both the City and RFA. Work groups were assembled to report back to the task force on issues germane to the potential consolidation (operations, support services, fire administration, union, governance, and information technology). These work groups have been studying other fire departments/districts/authorities which have been consolidated in order to understand the issues and challenges associated with these efforts. This fall, the work groups will report out to the consolidation task force with the information they have learned. This information will help the consolidation task force to formulate a white paper which will recommend next steps to the City Council.

As part of the discussion at the February 24, 2012 Council Retreat, the City Council expressed a desire to engage the community during this process. This Motion establishes a Fire Consolidation Exploratory Community Ad-Hoc Committee and appoints its members. Both the City's residential and business communities are represented on this Committee. Information gathered during the exploratory process by the work groups will be shared with this Committee. Committee members will have the chance to ask questions and provide insights as part of the process. The Committee will share these insights with the consolidation task force regarding potential next steps in the consolidation process. The task force will reflect these insights in their report.

The following is a list of proposed committee members, as approved by Mayor Anderson:

Citizen Representatives: Harry Higgins, Matthew York, and Manjit Singh

Business Representatives: Brett Weiler, Alaska Airlines; Mark Blumenthal, Blumenthal Uniforms; and Roger McCracken, McCracken & Associates

City Manager Cutts reviewed the agenda bill summary.

Fire Chief Schneider discussed how the Committee will be engaged during this process.

MOVED BY T. ANDERSON, SECONDED BY GREGERSON TO PASS AGENDA BILL #3453.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: There was no Unfinished Business.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no New Business.

CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS: City Manager Cutts commented on the following: (1) September 15 – 10 a.m., 5K Freedom Walk for the Genesis Project; and (2) October 3 – 11:00 a.m., South 154th Street ribbon cutting.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: CM Forschler commented on the following: (1) public comments during Council meetings; (2) Citizen Advisory Committees re-appointments – requested the subject of how re-appointments are handled be placed on a future CSS agenda. He also recommended that if a volunteer is filling an unexpired term, then they shouldn't have to reapply; and (3) recognized the 11th anniversary of 9/11.

CM T. Anderson stated her opinion about the way COLAs are figured.

CM Fernald stated that DM Gregerson wrote an article in the Seattle Times that spoke against Alaska Airlines. She stated that a policy needs to be written about individual CMs writing articles.

CM Bush commented on the August 16 Back to School Fair. He thanked resident Bo Lindstrom for spending the day picking up debris. He encouraged everyone to get involved. He also stated that he participated in the Domestic Violence Walk-a-thon and will be participating in the Genesis Walk.

COUNCIL COMMENTS (Continued): DM Gregerson thanked staff and Council for the Crime Prevention community meeting held in the Council Chambers.

Mayor A. Anderson commented on the following regarding Citizen Advisory Committees: (1) reason for recent change for re-appointments, (2) Planning Commission (PC) and Senior Citizen Advisory Committee have current openings. Applications are due September 24; and (3) Community Building Committee is moving forward. DM Gregerson, CM Ladenburg, and CM Bush will be meeting to develop recommendations for the committee membership. He encouraged Council to recruit applicants.

RECESSED: Mayor A. Anderson recessed the Regular Council Meeting to an Executive Session on Potential and Pending Litigation at 7:26 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Potential and Pending Litigation (15 minutes) (RCW 42.30.110 [1] [i])


Senior Assistant City Attorney Mark Johnsen announced that Council requested 20 more minutes at 7:30 p.m. and 30 more minutes at 7:59 p.m.

RECONVENED: Mayor A. Anderson reconvened the meeting at 8:29 p.m.

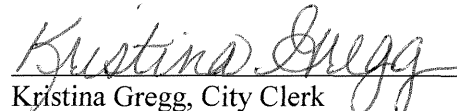
ADJOURNED:

MOVED BY BUSH, SECONDED BY GREGERSON TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SEATAC CITY COUNCIL AT 8:30 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.



Tony Anderson, Mayor



Kristina Gregg, City Clerk

*CITY OF SEATAC
MAYORS' DAY OF CONCERN FOR THE HUNGRY
PROCLAMATION*

WHEREAS, the City of SeaTac recognizes adequate nutrition as a basic goal for each citizen; and

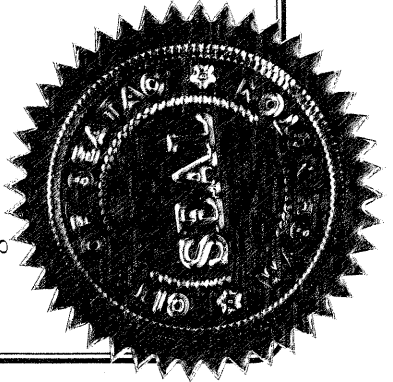
WHEREAS, no parent should have to send a child to school hungry, no baby should be without the comfort of the feedings needed for mental and physical growth, no elderly person's health should be jeopardized by lack of appropriate meals; and

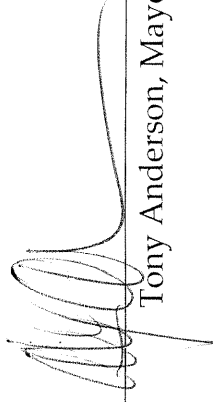
WHEREAS, food banks, emergency and hot meal programs working with the City of SeaTac, local churches, social service agencies, and hundreds of volunteers are striving daily to meet the rising needs of the hungry; and

WHEREAS, the City believes that when the citizens who are not involved hear of the desperate needs of the hungry as winter approaches, an outpouring of community assistance will follow; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Feeding Program coordinates an Annual Mayors' Day of Concern for the Hungry with a food drive to help support the efforts of this program and the local food banks in fighting hunger, which will be held at local grocery stores throughout King County on Saturday, September 22, 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Anderson, Mayor of the City of SeaTac, Washington, do hereby proclaim September 22, 2012 as a Mayors' Day of Concern for the Hungry and strongly urge all citizens to join the Emergency Feeding Program and our local food banks to assist those who are in need.




Tony Anderson, Mayor