

City of SeaTac

Regular Council Meeting Minutes

December 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 6:06 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, Human Services (HS) Program Manager Colleen Brandt-Schluter, Parks Operations Supervisor Roger Chouinard, Acting Community & Economic Development (CED) Director Gary Schenk, Economic Development (ED) Manager Jeff Robinson, Human Resources (HR) Director Anh Hoang, Municipal Court Judge Elizabeth Cordi-Bejarano, Finance & Systems Director Aaron Antin, Senior Planner Mike Scarey, Fire Chief Jim Schneider, Assistant Fire Chief Brian Wiwel, and Police Chief Jim Graddon.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Vicki Lockwood urged residents to become involved in the City. She shared some specific incidents where she felt the residents should have been more involved, including the administrative approval of a raise for an employee.

Earl Gipson read a poem he wrote title Goodbye 2012.

PRESENTATIONS:

•Confirmation of Mayoral re-appointment of Daryl Tapio and appointment of Jim Todd to the Planning Commission (PC)

Council discussion ensued regarding the new practice of requiring all incumbents to reapply and interview for ending term positions instead of the past practice of automatic re-appointments. Some CMs stated that they would be voting no on the appointment of Mr. Todd, not because of Mr. Todd's qualifications but because of the change in the practice without Council discussion first.

Mayor A. Anderson stated that there hasn't been a policy in place and he felt that the practice of automatically re-appointing members may be doing a disservice to other interested people. This topic will be discussed at the next Council Retreat.

MOVED BY GREGERSON, SECONDED BY LADENBURG TO APPROVE THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF DARYL TAPIO TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED BY GREGERSON, SECONDED BY LADENBURG TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF JIM TODD TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

MOTION CARRIED WITH FORSCHLER, T. ANDERSON, AND FERNALD VOTING NO.

Mr. Tapio and Mr. Todd were unable to be in attendance. Their certificates will be mailed to them.

•King County (KC) Sexual Assault Resource Center

Executive Director Mary Ellen Stone stated that the Center is well ahead of the performance measures in the current contract. She explained the type of victims that come to them for assistance and the services they provide. She thanked the City for its continued support.

•Human Services (HS) Annual Report

HS Program Manager Brandt-Schluter introduced HS Advisory Committee (HSAC) Chair Phyllis Byers.

Ms. Byers stated that the City's role in HS is to provide leadership as a planner, facilitator, educator, and funder. HS Programs are essential to the growth and vitality of the SeaTac community. By investing in the delivery of these services to SeaTac residents, the City is working to promote building a healthy community.

She introduced the committee members and staff liaison.

The HSAC guiding principles include healthy communities, self reliance, collaborations, equal access, respect and dignity, and accountability.

All agencies that received City funding in 2011-2012 served SeaTac residents only with those allocations. As of the 3rd quarter, funded agencies have met or exceeded their performance measures, clients served report satisfaction with the programs, agencies have been using innovative strategies to better serve the community, and many agencies focused on addressing numerous needs and how to stabilize families.

She exemplified agency performance to date for Des Moines Area Food Bank, and Angle Lake Family Resource Center, NAVOS/Ruth Dykeman Children's Center, Senior Services, and Domestic Abuse Womens Network (DAWN) Crisis Line and Shelter.

Ms. Brandt-Schluter stated that the City also receives a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for minor home repair. The City received \$27,825 to maintain client/resident's homes in a decent, livable and safe condition so they may remain independent.

SeaTac once again jointly applied for the funding with other cities. The funding was approved for 2013.

● **Tree Board Annual Report**

Parks Operations Supervisor Chouinard stated SeaTac has been a Tree City USA since 2009. Board Members include CM Fernald, Public Works (PW) Maintenance Supervisor Sean Clark, Senior Planner Al Torrico, and retiring member resident Daryl Tapio.

In 2012, SeaTac was awarded a growth award for street tree planting. In 2013, SeaTac is seeking another growth award for street tree pruning, and debris recycling generated from the pruning.

The Board plans the annual Arbor Day Event, and is currently in the planning stages for 2013. In 2012, the Arbor Day Event was removing ivy from the woods east of the SeaTac Community Center (STCC). The Board also discusses other possible grant opportunities and is interested in continuing doing comprehensive tree inventories and canopy studies to further document the health of the trees in the community.

Mr. Chouinard stated that the Tree Board worked with the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) division and University of Washington (UW) intern students to map some trees. Staff is in the process of deciphering the data.

● **Consolidation White Paper for the City of SeaTac Fire Department contracting for fire services with the Kent Fire Department Regional Fire Authority (RFA)**

Fire Chief Schneider stated that the purpose of the Consolidation Consideration Task Force was to evaluate contract for services options and identify the possible effects on service levels within the City of SeaTac and Kent RFA.

He detailed the three phases of the consolidation process: Exploratory Phase (completed tonight), Planning Phase (begin in January 2013 and end in May 2013), and Interlocal Agreement (ILA) Phase (begin work in June 2013 and implement January 1, 2014).

There were six work groups which developed five questions. The following questions were asked of Snohomish County Fire District 1, West Pierce Fire and Rescue, Central Pierce Fire and Rescue, and Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue: (1) Why consider consolidation or regionalization of services between the City of SeaTac Fire Department and the Kent Fire Department RFA; (2) What models for consolidation or regionalization of services were available to review; (3) How have other fire service jurisdictions consolidated or regionalized the delivery of fire/EMS; (4) Of the identified models, what are the positive and negative attributes; and (5) What effect would consolidation or regionalization of fire services have on the current service level provided to the citizens of the City of SeaTac and the Kent Fire Department RFA and at what cost. Chief Schneider reviewed the responses to the questions.

It is the recommendation of the Consolidation Consideration Task Force that both jurisdictions begin immediately to further evaluate the feasibility and develop a consolidation plan to identify how the City of SeaTac could contract for their fire services through the Kent Fire Department RFA.

City Manager Cutts stated administration concurs with the recommendation. The community ad hoc committee was supportive of moving forward but suggested the governance piece looked at in more detail.

Council discussion ensued with Council direction given to move forward with the Planning Phase.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- **Approval of claims vouchers** (check nos. 100813 – 101000) in the amount of \$543,909.80 for the period ended December 5, 2012.
- **Approval of payroll vouchers** (check nos. 51084 – 51117) in the amount of \$420,095.63 for the period ended November 30, 2012.
- **Approval of payroll electronic fund transfers** (check nos. 74975 – 75155) in the amount of \$348,657.54 for the period ended November 30, 2012.
- **Approval of payroll wire transfer** (Medicare and Federal Withholding Tax) in the amount of \$69,122.93 for the period ended November 30, 2012.
- **Pre-approval or final approval of City Council and City Manager travel related expenses** for the period ended December 7, 2012.

Approval of Council Meeting Minutes:

- **Council Workshop** held October 15, 2012
- **Budget Workshop 3** held October 19, 2012
- **Budget Workshop 4** held October 20, 2012
- **Special Council Study Session** held November 26, 2012
- **Special Council Meeting** held November 26, 2012

Agenda Items reviewed at the November 26, 2012 Special Council Study Session and recommended for placement on this Consent Agenda:

Agenda Bill #3478; An Ordinance amending Ordinance #12-1014 related to the creation of 2.5 Full Time Equivalent positions for the purpose of providing expedited Sound Transit project review

Agenda Bill #3467; A Motion authorizing the City Manager to enter into contracts with the selected Human Services agencies for funding in 2013 and 2014

Agenda Bill #3476; A Resolution authorizing the execution of a one-year extension of the 2010-2012 collective bargaining agreement between the City of SeaTac and the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF), Local #2919

Agenda Bill #3458; A Motion authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Professional Services Contract with Stewart MacNichols Harmell Inc. P.S. for public defense services

Agenda Bill #3459; A Motion authorizing the City Manager to sign an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) between the City of Tukwila and SeaTac Municipal Court for probation services

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

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

*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) December 25 and January 1 - City Hall closed for the holidays; (2) December 14 – 11:30 a.m., Senior Holiday Lunch at the STCC; and (3) responded to Ms. Lockwood's comment about the administrative approval of a raise for an employee. He stated that the State Auditor reviewed this issue and determined the administrative action taken was legal and in accordance with the SeaTac Municipal Code (SMC).

COUNCIL COMMENTS: CM Ladenburg commented on the following: (1) attended the employee awards luncheon; and (2) South County Area Transportation Board (SCATBd) has a new flyer with a map of all transportation projects in the area.

CMs Ladenburg and Forschler and City Manager Cutts spoke regarding the SR 509 and future funding.

CM T. Anderson commented on her attendance at the National League of Cities (NLC) Conference in Boston.

COUNCIL COMMENTS (Continued): CM Fernald commented on the following: (1) thanked everyone for the floral arrangement and card she received from the SeaTac community, Council and staff for the recent passing of her mother; (2) attended the Genesis Project 2nd Annual Fundraiser; and (3) read an email to the City Council from Bakaro Mall about their issues with property management.

CM Bush commented on the following: (1) attended Fire and Police Explorers Volunteer Appreciation Party; (2) attended the SeaTac United pizza party and encouraged everyone to donate; and (3) December 15 – 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Holiday Hope.

DM Gregerson commented on the following: (1) attended NLC Conference; (2) requested Council direction for action at Suburban Cities Association (SCA) Public Issues Committee (PIC) regarding transfer stations and removing funding for the most southern terminus. Council direction was given that they were against removing the funding; (3) PIC will be requesting direction on specific language for supporting Association of Washington Cities (AWC) regarding Public Disclosure Requests (PDRs) that are costing jurisdictions so much money; and (4) Claudia Dickinson is ending her term with the Youth and Family Resource Center. She requested the City formally recognize her and show its appreciation for her services.

Mayor A. Anderson commented on the following: (1) thanked CMs that were able to attend the Genesis Project Fundraiser; (2) reported on his attendance at the NLC Conference; (3) recognized the recipients that received awards at the employee awards luncheon; (4) Municipal Court Administrator Paulette Revoir is soliciting college students to intern for the court; and (5) the Highline School District (HSD) was one of seven districts to win the "Race to the Top" Grant and will receive a portion of \$40 million.

RECESSED: Mayor A. Anderson recessed the meeting to an Executive Session to consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease at 8:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: To consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease (RCW 42.30.110 [1] [c]) (10 minutes)

City Manager Cutts, City Attorney Mirante Bartolo, and ED Manager Robinson were in attendance.

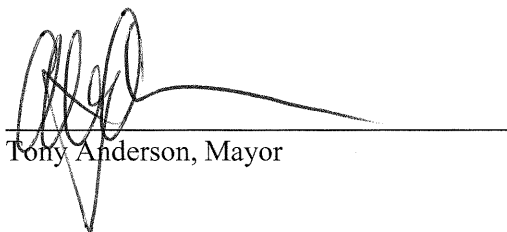
City Attorney Mirante Bartolo announced that Council requested 10 more minutes at 8:12 p.m., and 5 more minutes at 8:22 p.m.

RECONVENED: Mayor A. Anderson reconvened the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

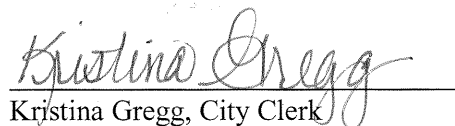
ADJOURNED:

MOVED BY FORSCHLER, SECONDED BY BUSH TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SEATAC CITY COUNCIL AT 8:28 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.



Tony Anderson, Mayor



Kristina Gregg, City Clerk