



City of Olympia

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Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, May 20, 2014

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Mayor Stephen H. Buxbaum, Mayor Pro Tem Nathaniel Jones, Councilmember Jim Cooper, Councilmember Julie Hankins and Councilmember Cheryl Selby

Excused: 2 - Councilmember Steve Langer and Councilmember Jeannine Roe

1.A ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

1.B APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Buxbaum suggested adding a second item under Special Recognition regarding the Fire Ops 101 Training. Council agreed.

Councilmember Hankins moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jones, to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Buxbaum, Mayor Pro Tem Jones, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Hankins and Councilmember Selby

Excused: 2 - Councilmember Langer and Councilmember Roe

2. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

2.A [14-0502](#) Special Recognition of Police Department Employees, National Corrections Officer Week, and National Law Enforcement Week

Deputy Police Chief Steve Nelson introduced this item. He shared information about the recipients of numerous awards.

The recognition was received.

2.B [14-0522](#) Firefighter training

Fire Lt. Mike Simmons recognized Councilmember Selby who attended the Fire Ops 101 training. He reviewed the six scenarios that were part of the training. Ms. Selby related her experience and said she thoroughly enjoyed it. She thanked Firefighter Steve Gibson who acted as her shadow throughout the training experience. A short video of the training was shown.

The recognition was received.

3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

Mr. Ron Nesbitt, former Olympia police officer, spoke of an incident he responded to in 2004.

Ms. Roberta Loeb, Tumwater, said she spent 600 hours last year cleaning up litter around the City. She suggested the City repave some alleys in the downtown area.

COUNCIL RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMUNICATION (Optional) - None**4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 4.A** [14-0477](#) Approval of May 6, 2014 City Council Meeting Minutes

The minutes were adopted.

- 4.B** [14-0248](#) Approval of Bid Award for Olympia Woodland Trail/Woodard Creek Culvert Improvements

The decision was adopted.

4. SECOND READINGS

- 4.C** [14-0354](#) Approval of Appropriation Ordinance in the Amount of \$200,000 from the New City Hall Project Fund for Police Annex Demolition and Justice Center Remodel

The ordinance was adopted on second reading.

- 4.D** [14-0359](#) Approval of Ordinance Appropriating \$233,070 for the Installation of Solar Panels on City Hall

The ordinance was adopted on second reading.

4. FIRST READINGS - None**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

Mayor Pro Tem Jones moved, seconded by Councilmember Hankins, to adopt the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Buxbaum, Mayor Pro Tem Jones, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Hankins and Councilmember Selby

Excused: 2 - Councilmember Langer and Councilmember Roe

5. PUBLIC HEARING - None

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.A [14-0487](#) Approval of Percival Plinth Project Sculpture Recommendation 2014

Arts and Events Program Manager Stephanie Johnson and Arts Commission Chair Trent Hart reviewed the 13 Percival Plinth sculpture recommendations. One alternate was also noted. Mr. Hart said the 2013 plinths will come down the week of June 9 and the new ones will be put up the week of July 7. He invited the Council to attend the kick-off of the new artwork on Friday, July 25, at the Harbor House.

Councilmember Hankins moved, seconded by Councilmember Selby, to approve the recommended 13 sculptures and one alternate for exhibition along Percival Landing for up to one year starting July, 2014. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Buxbaum, Mayor Pro Tem Jones, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Hankins and Councilmember Selby

Excused: 2 - Councilmember Langer and Councilmember Roe

6.B [14-0489](#) Approval to Schedule Public Hearing on the Community Development Block Grant - Program Year 2014 Action Plan

Housing Program Manager Anna Schlecht introduced this item. She said the General Government Committee recommended the projects listed in Attachment 1 for 2014 CDBG program. She said the Council is also asked to consider extending the 1-year certification period to a 3-year certification period. Ms. Schlecht then reviewed the 2014 timeline.

Community Planning and Development Deputy Director Leonard Bauer reviewed the action plan allocations as recommended by the General Government Committee.

National Development Council Director Michelle Morlan reviewed the Grow America Fund and how it operates.

Downtown Liaison Brian Wilson reviewed Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED), which is a practice to make areas safer. He said the Downtown Project 3 assembled a group of interested individuals who walked each block of downtown to itemize and identify problems which would be CDBG eligible projects.

Councilmember Cooper moved, seconded by Councilmember Hankins, to direct staff to schedule a thirty-day public comment period, including a public hearing, on:

1. The draft Program Year 2014 (PY2104) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Action Plan projects included in Attachment 1.

2. Extending the City's CDBG certification period from one year to three years. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Buxbaum, Mayor Pro Tem Jones, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Hankins and Councilmember Selby

Excused: 2 - Councilmember Langer and Councilmember Roe

6.C [14-0499](#) Authorization to Schedule a Council Public Hearing and Include Certain Language in the Draft of the Comprehensive Plan

Community Planning and Development Deputy Director Leonard Bauer reviewed the "plain talk" and other edits in the Comprehensive Plan, including legal review.

Council concurred to direct staff to include the recommendations listed in Attachments 1-3 in a City Council public hearing draft of the Olympia Comprehensive Plan and proceed to tentatively schedule a public hearing for July 22.

7. CONTINUED PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - None

8. REPORTS AND REFERRALS

8.A COUNCIL INTERGOVERNMENTAL/COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REFERRALS

Mayor Pro Tem Jones provided highlights of the Intercity Transit Authority Board meeting of May 7, the funeral of Nisqually Tribal leader Billy Frank Jr., the Martin Way corridor meeting, and the annual meeting of the Thurston County Chamber of Commerce.

Councilmember Selby provided highlights of the HOME Consortium, the Transportation Policy Board, and the Thurston County Law and Justice Council meetings. Mayor Buxbaum asked the Council as a whole to make a recommendation to the HOME Consortium on allocation of funds.

Councilmember Cooper reported on highlights of the Finance Committee and the General Government Committee meetings.

Councilmember Hankins reported on highlights of the TCCOM 911 meeting.

Mayor Buxbaum reported on highlights of the Economic Development Council Board meeting, the Community Economic and Revitalization Committee, and the joint meeting of the Community Economic and Revitalization Committee and Citizen Advisory Committee meetings.

8.B CITY MANAGER'S REPORT AND REFERRALS

City Manager Steve Hall noted the Capital City Marathon was held this past weekend and he thanked all City departments that helped make this a successful event.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.