



# City of Olympia

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## Meeting Minutes City Council

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**Tuesday, August 12, 2014**

**7:00 PM**

**Council Chambers**

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### 1. ROLL CALL

**Present:** 6 - Mayor Stephen H. Buxbaum, Mayor Pro Tem Nathaniel Jones, Councilmember Julie Hankins, Councilmember Steve Langer, Councilmember Jeannine Roe and Councilmember Cheryl Selby

**Excused:** 1 - Councilmember Jim Cooper

### 1.A ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

### 1.B APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved.

### 2. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

#### 2.A [14-0774](#) Proclamation for Thurston County Medic One's 40th Anniversary

Councilmember Langer read the proclamation and Medic One Executive Director Steve Romines accepted it.

**The recognition was received.**

#### 2.B [14-0783](#) Proclamation Acknowledging the Work of the Japanese American Citizens' League (JAACL)

Mayor Buxbaum read the proclamation and JAACL local chapter president Bob Nakamura accepted it.

**The recognition was received.**

### 3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

The Council heard comments from Helen Rice, Terren Zander, Jim Reeves, Ron Nesbitt, and Carlos Ramora.

**COUNCIL RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - None**

### 4. CONSENT CALENDAR

#### 4.A [14-0779](#) Approval of August 4, 2014 City Council Meeting Minutes

**The minutes were adopted.**

- 4.B [14-0770](#) Approval of Interlocal Agreement between the City of Olympia and Bates Technical College for Training

**The contract was adopted.**

#### 4. SECOND READINGS

- 4.C [14-0557](#) Approval of an Ordinance Amending Park Impact Fees to Remove Exemption for Senior Housing Developments

**The ordinance was adopted on second reading.**

- 4.D [14-0736](#) Approval of Ordinance Amending the Fund 108 and Fund 003 Housing Funds

**The ordinance was adopted on second reading.**

- 4.E [14-0758](#) Approval of Appropriation Ordinance in the Amount of \$100,000 Transferring Funds from the Community Park Impact Fee Account to the Capital Improvement Fund

**The ordinance was adopted on second reading.**

#### Approval of the Consent Agenda

**Councilmember Roe moved, seconded by Councilmember Langer, to adopt the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Mayor Buxbaum, Mayor Pro Tem Jones, Councilmember Hankins, Councilmember Langer, Councilmember Roe and Councilmember Selby

**Excused:** 1 - Councilmember Cooper

#### 4. FIRST READINGS - None

#### 5. PUBLIC HEARING - None

#### 6. OTHER BUSINESS

- 6.A [14-0742](#) Approval of an Ordinance Relating to the Utility Services Tax and Amending Olympia Municipal Code Section 5.84.050

Administrative Services Director Jane Kirkemo provided background. She said the Finance Committee recommended the funds from this tax go to the Capital Facilities Plan. She noted the income from this tax would generate approximately \$800,000 per year.

**Councilmember Langer moved, seconded by Councilmember Selby, to approve on first reading and forward to second reading the ordinance relating to the utility services tax and amending Olympia Municipal Code Section 5.84.050. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Mayor Buxbaum, Mayor Pro Tem Jones, Councilmember Hankins, Councilmember Langer, Councilmember Roe and Councilmember Selby

**Excused:** 1 - Councilmember Cooper

**6.B** [14-0499](#) Consideration of Draft Olympia Comprehensive Plan

Community Planning & Development Deputy Director Leonard Bauer reviewed how the Comprehensive Plan fits into the City's planning process and the next steps for Council consideration. He then reviewed the summary and options for considering public comments.

Councilmembers discussed each of the categories and agreed no changes need to be made to **Category 5.0 - Consistency**, and **Category 8.0 - Performance Measures and Outcomes**.

Council agreed to ask only for staff clarification on the following categories:

**1.0 - Vision and Values**

**2.0 - Street Connectors and Other Transportation Issues**

- a. Safety of newly connected streets

**7.0 - Critical Areas, Wildlife Habitat & Natural Environment**

- a. Protection of priority species
- b. Clarity about Comp Plan update vs. critical areas ordinance
- c. Habitat islands
- d. Sea level rise

**12.0 - Utilities**

**13.0 - Parks, Arts and Recreation**

- a. Change emphasis regarding tourism/private investment

**14.0 - Miscellaneous**

- a. Basic visuals for presentation at Council meeting
- b. Housing/homelessness

**15.0 - Other**

- a. Introduction to Plan

After discussion, Council agreed more in-depth discussion should take place at a

Study Session for the following items:

**2.0 - Street Connectors and Other Transportation Issues**

- a. Decatur/Fern/16th connection
- b. Alleys

**3.0 - View Protection and Waterfront Uses**

- a. Specified view corridors
- b. Capitol Lake

**4.0 - Urban Corridors/14.0 - Miscellaneous**

- a. Review each issue raised
- b. Include more visuals in staff presentation

**9.0 - Zoning and Other Land Use Issues**

- a. Review each issue raised one at a time

Council agreed to refer to the Land Use and Environment Committee:

**6.0 - Solar Access, Energy Conservation & Sustainability**

Council agreed to refer to the Community and Economic Revitalization Committee:

**11.0 - Economy**

- a. Purpose of chapter/relationship to rest of Plan, values & principles

**The discussion was completed.**

**7. CONTINUED PUBLIC COMMUNICATION**

**8. REPORTS AND REFERRALS**

**8.A COUNCIL INTERGOVERNMENTAL/COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REFERRALS**

Councilmembers reported on committee meetings and events attended.

**8.B CITY MANAGER'S REPORT AND REFERRALS**

City Manager Steve Hall reported that for the recent waterline break on 14th Avenue, Public Works implemented an emergency declaration to contract out for immediate repairs, bypassing the City's normal bidding process.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.