



Meeting Minutes

City Council

City Hall
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Tuesday, March 31, 2015

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Mayor Stephen H. Buxbaum, Mayor Pro Tem Nathaniel Jones, Councilmember Jim Cooper, Councilmember Julie Hankins, Councilmember Steve Langer, Councilmember Jeannine Roe and Councilmember Cheryl Selby

1.A ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

1.B APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Buxbaum noted staff has requested an Executive Session at the end of the meeting regarding a real estate matter. Council agreed.

The agenda was approved as amended.

2. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

2.A [15-0215](#) Approval of Proclamation in Support of National Mayors' Challenge for Water Conservation

Mayor Buxbaum read the proclamation. Water Conservation Coordinator Erin Conine accepted the proclamation and provided additional information about the pledge to conserve water.

The recognition was received.

3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

Michael Rivas and Jim Reeves spoke.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

4.A [15-0304](#) Approval of March 3, 2015 Special Study Session Meeting Minutes

The minutes were adopted.

4.B [15-0303](#) Approval of March 17, 2015 Special Study Session Minutes

The minutes were adopted.

4.C [15-0296](#) Approval of March 17, 2015 City Council Meeting Minutes

The minutes were adopted.

- 4.D [15-0309](#) Approval of March 19, 2015 Special Council Meeting Minutes - Joint Meeting with the Olympia Downtown Association

Councilmember Hankins made a correction and said the Olympia commons was not discussed at that meeting.

The minutes were adopted as amended.

- 4.E [15-0305](#) Certification of Bills and Payroll

Payroll check numbers 87665 through 87710 and Direct Deposit transmissions: Total: \$3,748,469.85; Claim check numbers 3657220 through 3658584: Total: \$7,471,830.38.

The certification was adopted.

- 4.F [15-0266](#) Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Thurston County Regarding the Use of Neonicotinoid Pesticides

The contract was adopted.

- 4.G [15-0301](#) Approval of Interlocal Agreement for Mutual Aid for Firefighting and Emergency Medical Services

The contract was adopted.

- 4.H [15-0306](#) Approval to Apply for 2015 Federal Transportation Alternatives Program Grant Opportunity

The decision was adopted.

- 4.I [15-0314](#) Approval of Appointments to the Olympia Arts Commission

The decision was adopted.

- 4.J [15-0315](#) Approval of Re-appointments to Advisory Committees and Commissions

The decision was adopted.

- 4.K [15-0313](#) Approval of Advisory Committee and Commission 2015 Work Plans

The decision was adopted.

- 4.L [15-0321](#) Approval of Hearings Examiner Contract Extension

The contract was adopted.**4. SECOND READINGS**

- 4.M** [15-0251](#) Adoption of an Ordinance on 2nd Reading to Appropriate 2014 Year-End Fund Balance

The ordinance was adopted on second reading.

- 4.N** [15-0257](#) Approval of an Ordinance Creating a Trust Fund to Pay LEOFF 1 (Law Enforcement Officers and Fire Fighters) Medical Benefits

The ordinance was adopted on second reading.

4. FIRST READINGS

- 4.O** [15-0318](#) Approval of an Ordinance Amending Advisory Committee and Commission Membership

The ordinance was approved on first reading and moved to second reading.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

Aye: 7 - Mayor Buxbaum, Mayor Pro Tem Jones, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Hankins, Councilmember Langer, Councilmember Roe and Councilmember Selby

5. PUBLIC HEARING - None

6. OTHER BUSINESS

- 6.A** [15-0259](#) Authorization to Advance the "Hub" Junction Project at Woodland Trail as Conceptually Designed

Associate Director David Hanna reviewed the background, design considerations, and the final design submitted by the architect. He said the construction should be complete by the end of July and a dedication date will be set at that time.

Questions and comments included the following:

- Look for a way to honor Mr. and Mrs. Rainwood who were instrumental in developing the Woodland Trail.
- Consider installing bike racks.
- Who will maintain this area? All jurisdictions have agreed to help maintain this area.
- The solar lights will burn through the night.

Council agreed to advance the HUB Junction Project.

7. CONTINUED PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - None

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

Councilmembers shared highlights of committee meetings and events they attended.

8.B CITY MANAGER'S REPORT AND REFERRALS

City Manager Steve Hall shared the following:

1. Contract work will begin next week to demolish the old Housing Authority building.
2. Police Chief Ronnie Roberts is a finalist for the Dispute Resolution Center's Peacemaker Award.
3. Mr. Hall will attend the ReCon real estate conference in Las Vegas in mid-May.

Mr. Hall asked for the following referrals:

1. Refer to the General Government Committee the review of the Memorandum of Understanding with the Coalition of Neighborhood Associations. Council agreed.
2. Request the General Government Committee prepare a draft agenda for the Council's mid-year retreat in June. Also consider the location and whether a facilitator is needed. Council agreed.

9. RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was recessed at 8:03 p.m. Mayor Buxbaum announced the Council will reconvene in 5 minutes to Executive Session for no more than 45 minutes to discuss a real estate matter. The City Attorney will be present and no decisions will be made. Council will adjourn directly from Executive Session.