



Meeting Minutes

City Council

City Hall
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Tuesday, July 11, 2017

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Mayor Cheryl Selby, Mayor Pro Tem Nathaniel Jones, Councilmember Jessica Bateman, Councilmember Jim Cooper, Councilmember Clark Gilman, Councilmember Julie Hankins and Councilmember Jeannine Roe

1.A ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Selby announced the Council met earlier in a Study Session.

1.B APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

2. SPECIAL RECOGNITION - None

3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

The following people spoke: Bonnie Jones, Mark Jones, Steve Rubicz, Steve Whalen, Kento Azegami, Franz Kilmerschultz, Katherine Himes, Noah Jensen, Bernadette, David Bellefeuille-Rice, Lisa Miller, Tomi Helm, Allan Hill, Chris Rea and Phil Schulte.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 4.A** [17-0720](#) Approval of June 10, 2017 City Council Mid-Year Retreat Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved.

- 4.B** [17-0718](#) Approval of June 20, 2017 Study Session Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved.

- 4.C** [17-0719](#) Approval of June 20, 2017 City Council Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved.

- 4.D** [17-0689](#) Approval of the Program Year 2017 Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan

The decision was approved.

- 4.E** [17-0713](#) Approval of Resolution Authorizing Acquisition of Parcels near Olympia Woodland Trail from Thurston County

The resolution was adopted.

- 4.F** [17-0714](#) Approval of a Resolution Recognizing the Regional Need for Housing and Related Services for the Homeless, or Persons in Danger of Being Homeless, and to Consider Raising Revenue as Provided by State Law for Housing and Related Services

The resolution was adopted.

4. SECOND READINGS - None

4. FIRST READINGS

- 4.H** [17-0715](#) Approval of Proposed Ordinance and Ballot Measure Relating to Regular Property Taxes for Submission to Voters to the General Election to be Held on November 7, 2017 of a Public Safety Proposition Authorizing the Levy of Regular Property Taxes in Excess of the Limitations of RCW Chapter 84.55 and Setting Forth the Text of the Ballot Proposition

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

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Councilmember Hankins moved, seconded by Councilmember Cooper, to adopt the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Selby, Mayor Pro Tem Jones, Councilmember Bateman, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Gilman, Councilmember Hankins and Councilmember Roe

PULLED FROM CONSENT

- 4.G** [17-0740](#) Consideration of an Impeachment Investigation of President Trump

Mayor Pro Tem Jones, Councilmembers Gilman and Cooper discussed their opposition to the motion directing staff to draft a letter to send to the federal delegation encouraging them to proceed with an investigation of the current federal administration. They prefer the Council approve the proposed resolution.

Mayor Selby, Councilmembers Hankins, Roe and Bateman discussed their support of a letter.

City Manager Steve Hall reviewed the options of sending a letter, passing a resolution, a combination of the two or putting the matter to an advisory vote.

Councilmember Bateman expressed concerns regarding the topic being put on the agenda quickly, with little time for Councilmembers to review.

Mayor Selby noted she recently met with Congressman Heck, Senators Cantwell and Murray who are already engaged in this issue. She noted the Council could send the letter and follow up with a resolution at a later date.

Councilmember Hankins moved, seconded by Mayor Selby, to direct staff to write a letter to our federal delegation encouraging them to proceed with an investigation of the current federal administration. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Mayor Selby, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Hankins and Councilmember Roe

Nay: 3 - Mayor Pro Tem Jones, Councilmember Bateman and Councilmember Gilman

5. PUBLIC HEARING - None

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.A [17-0654](#) Approval of an Ordinance to Amend the Critical Areas Ordinance and Shoreline Master Program

Community Planning & Development Deputy Director Leonard Bauer reviewed the amendments to the Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO). He gave background on Phase 1 that occurred in August 2016. He also reviewed Phase 2 which includes options to protect locally important species habitat.

Mr. Bauer reviewed the options for the City Council to take regarding the ordinance:

1. Adopt ordinance to amend SMP and establish future nomination process, but not including locally important species protections for great blue herons.
2. Adopt ordinance to amend SMP, plus locally important species protections for great blue herons and future nomination process.
3. Adopt ordinance to amend SMP, with modification to remove future nomination process.
4. Identify questions and issues for additional research and refer back to Planning Commission for recommendation.

Councilmembers asked clarifying questions.

Planning Commissioner Carol Richmond answered questions regarding the Planning Commission process.

Mayor Pro Tem Jones moved, seconded by Councilmember Roe, to approve on first reading and forward to second reading an ordinance amending OMC 18.32.500, 18.32.515 and 18.20; and amendments to the SMP; and not including locally important species protections which will be forwarded to the Planning Commission for further consideration. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Selby, Mayor Pro Tem Jones, Councilmember Bateman, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Gilman, Councilmember Hankins and Councilmember Roe

6.B [17-0627](#) Approval of an Ordinance Establishing an Independent Salary Commission to Review City Council Compensation

City Manager Steve Hall reviewed options regarding creating an independent salary commission. Councilmembers asked clarifying questions.

Mr. Hall noted next steps would be the Mayor recommending members to serve on the Commission and the Council considering the list.

Councilmembers asked clarifying questions.

Councilmember Hankins moved, seconded by Councilmember Cooper, to approve on first reading and forward to second reading an ordinance to create an independent salary commission to review City Council compensation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Selby, Mayor Pro Tem Jones, Councilmember Bateman, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Gilman, Councilmember Hankins and Councilmember Roe

7. CONTINUED PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - None

8. REPORTS AND REFERRALS

8.A COUNCIL INTERGOVERNMENTAL/COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REFERRALS

Councilmembers reported on meeting and events attended.

Mayor Selby passed out a draft letter to the County Commissioners regarding the proposed Convention Center district.

8.B CITY MANAGER'S REPORT AND REFERRALS

Mr. Hall reported Lt. Sam Costello is acting Police Chief this week.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.