



Meeting Minutes

City Council

City Hall
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Tuesday, July 12, 2016

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 - None

1.B APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

2. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

2.A [16-0825](#) Special Recognition for Lon Wyrick Executive Director for the Thurston Regional Planning Council (TRPC)

Community Planning & Development Director Keith Stahley introduced Lon Wyrick, retiring Executive Director for the Thurston Regional Planning Council. Mayor Pro Tem Jones read a proclamation honoring Mr. Wyrick. Mr. Wyrick said a few words of thanks.

The recognition was received.

2.B [16-0792](#) Special Recognition - 2016 Fire Ops

Deputy Chief Greg Wright introduced Olympia Fire Fighters IAFF Local 468 representative Mike Simmons. Mr. Simmons explained Fire Ops allows administrators and elected officials to experience the work of firefighters for a day in order to understand their training and support needs.

Councilmember Gilman discussed his recent experience at Fire Ops and expressed his understanding of how highly technical, time sensitive and demanding the work of those who keep our homes and communities safe from fire is.

The recognition was received.

3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

The following people spoke: Phil Cornell, Ali Marie Baker, Michael Savoca, Tamborine Borelli, Tim Kelly, Judith Sue Langhans, James Turpin, Steve Lezan, Jami Lund,

Peter Bohmer, Ray Guerra, James Booth, Michael Foster, Pat Holme and Shauna Stewart.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 4.A [16-0817](#) Approval of June 11, 2016 City Council Mid-Year Retreat Meeting Minutes

The minutes were adopted.

- 4.B [16-0789](#) Approval of June 21, 2016 Study Session Meeting Minutes

The minutes were adopted.

- 4.C [16-0790](#) Approval of June 21, 2016 City Council Meeting Minutes

The minutes were adopted.

- 4.D [16-0821](#) Bills and Payroll Certification

Payroll check numbers 88947 through 89063 and Direct Deposit transmissions:
Total: \$6,737,620.20; Claim check numbers 3674499 through 3675875: Total:
\$4,075,993.82.

The decision was adopted.

- 4.E [16-0785](#) Approval of Appointment of Nancy Clauson (Peterson) to the Capital Area Regional Public Facilities Board

The decision was adopted.

- 4.F [16-0754](#) Approval of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Year 2016 Action Plan

The decision was adopted.

4. SECOND READINGS

- 4.G [16-0521](#) Approval of Low Impact Development (LID) Code Revisions Ordinance

The ordinance was adopted on second reading.

4. FIRST READINGS

- 4.H [15-1140](#) Approval of Ordinance Adding Shoreline Master Program to Development Code and Comprehensive Plan

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

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Councilmember Hankins moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jones, 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

5. PUBLIC HEARING

5.A [16-0801](#) Public Hearing and Consideration of a Resolution for a Community Renewal Plan

Before the agenda item began the meeting adjourned for 20 minutes due to disruption.

Community Planning & Development Director Keith Stahley discussed the proposed resolution for the Community Renewal Plan as recommended by the Community Economic Revitalization Committee.

Jay Reich, of the Pacifica Law Group, outlined the legal context in which the decision making of the Council will take place.

Lorelei Juntunen, of ECONorthwest, gave an overview of the Community Renewal Plan process and how it applies to the Griswold's project.

Economic Development Director Renee Sunde reviewed the Request for Proposals details and a draft timeline.

Councilmembers asked clarifying questions.

Mayor Selby opened the public hearing at 8:55 p.m. The following people spoke: Connie Phegley, Bonnie Jacobs, Vida Zvirzdys-Farler, Mary Corso, Erik Lee, Bob Jacobs, Elise Rhiner, Michael Cade, and Beverly Bassett.

Mayor Selby closed the public hearing at 9:22 p.m.

The public hearing was held and the resolution was adopted.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.A [16-0826](#) Approval of a Request for Proposal for the City-owned Property known as the Former Griswold Property

The resolution was adopted.

6.B [16-0697](#) Briefing on the Comprehensive Plan Action Plan

Community Planning & Development Deputy Director Leonard Bauer briefed the Council on the Action Plan for the Comprehensive Plan. He reviewed what is included in the scope, timeline, and feedback from participants. Mr. Bauer also walked through the website and indicators for the Comprehensive Plan. He reviewed next steps and asked the Council to approve the framework of the plan as described.

Councilmembers asked clarifying questions and agreed to allow staff to move forward with the plan.

The discussion was completed.

6.C [16-0833](#) Approval of a Resolution Concerning Inadequate Public Funding of Higher Education and a Regressive State Tax System

City Manager Steve Hall gave a timeline of the Opportunity for Olympia initiative and related tax ordinances. He discussed next steps for the initiative noting the Thurston County Auditors office is still validating signatures. Should there be enough signatures, the ordinance will come before the Council with two options, pass the proposed ordinance or have a resolution to direct the Auditor to hold a special election.

Mayor Pro Tem Jones discussed the resolution, two referrals to General Government, and a motion for legal review of the Opportunity for Olympia initiative should the Auditor issue certification of sufficient valid signatures.

The referrals to General Government are as follows:

1. Develop a project plan, provide progress reporting, and deliver a report within one year which defines the impact of regressive taxation on local residents and on the local economy.
2. Develop a project plan, provide progress reporting, and deliver a report within one year which defines the impact of poor access to education on local residents and on the local economy.

Councilmembers asked clarifying questions.

The resolution was adopted and the referrals to General Government were approved.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Jones moved, seconded by Mayor Selby, that upon the Auditor's certification of sufficient valid signatures for Opportunity for Olympia's initiative petition, the City Manager be authorized to take all reasonable steps on behalf of the City of Olympia and this Council, to obtain a judicial determination whether the initiative is a lawful, valid exercise of the

initiative power granted to Olympia's citizens under state law, and if not, to obtain an injunction prohibiting such initiative measure from appearing on the November ballot. The motion includes authorization for the City Manager to pursue any appeals as may be necessary before the appellate courts of this state.

The motion was approved 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

The following people spoke: Stan Sorscher and Vida Zvirzdys-Farler.

8. REPORTS AND REFERRALS

8.A COUNCIL INTERGOVERNMENTAL/COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REFERRALS

Mayor Pro Tem Jones noted Lakefair begins on Wednesday, July 13.

8.B CITY MANAGER'S REPORT AND REFERRALS

City Manager Hall reported most residents heeded the fireworks ban on July 4.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned 10:30 p.m.