



Meeting Minutes

City Council

City Hall
601 4th Avenue E
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Tuesday, October 27, 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

Mayor Buxbaum noted the Council met earlier in the evening to discuss the minimum wage in Olympia. He called attention to November 3 being election night and encouraged citizens to vote.

1.B APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

2. SPECIAL RECOGNITION - None

3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

The following people spoke: Max Nelson, Nicola Purpura, Bobby Snyder, Christina Balsom, Ray Guerra, Brian Huseby, Caro Gonzalez, Nani Nguyen, Bridget Drager, Kieran Shell, Ronald Nesbitt, Dylan Carlson, Austin Lind, and Arthur West.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

4.A [15-1002](#) Approval of October 13, 2015, City Council Meeting Minutes

The minutes were adopted.

4.B [15-1019](#) Approval of October 20, 2015 Study Session Meeting Minutes

The minutes were adopted.

4.C [15-0966](#) Approval of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Report for Program Year 2014

The decision was adopted.

4.D [15-0946](#) Approval of the Village at Mill Pond Phase I Final Plat

The decision was adopted.

- 4.E [15-1015](#) Approval of Interlocal Agreement With the Washington Traffic Safety Commission (WTSC) for Traffic Safety Emphasis Patrols

The decision was adopted.

- 4.F [15-1016](#) Approval of Interlocal agreement with the Washington Traffic Safety Commission (WTSC) for Local Liaison for Traffic Safety Emphasis Patrols

The decision was adopted.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Councilmember Langer moved, seconded by Councilmember Hankins, to adopt the Consent Calendar. 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

6. OTHER BUSINESS

- 6.A [15-1011](#) Potential Code Amendment Regarding Rezone Hearing Body

Principal Planner Todd Stamm discussed a potential code amendment that would provide for the Planning Commission, instead of the Hearing Examiner, to hold public hearings related to site specific rezone applications. He shared three options on how to proceed.

Councilmember Cooper moved, seconded by Councilmember Selby, to retain the existing Development Code provision so that the Hearing Examiner holds public hearings and makes recommendations to the City Council regarding site-specific rezone applications; and direct City staff to present an ordinance amending the Code to remove process ambiguities as described in the staff report. 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

- 6.B [15-1014](#) Presentation of the 2016 Preliminary Operating Budget

City Manager Steve Hall shared data about the City and services provided to the community. He and Administrative Services Director Jane Kirkemo presented the 2016 Preliminary Operating Budget. Councilmembers asked clarifying questions.

The information was provided.

7. CONTINUED PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - None**8. REPORTS AND REFERRALS**

Councilmember Cooper requested a referral to the Planning Commission regarding an adjustment of zoning recreational marijuana dispensaries. Mayor Buxbaum requested further information be included in the referral before it is moved forward. The referral will be brought back at the November 10 Council Meeting.

8.A COUNCIL INTERGOVERNMENTAL/COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REFERRALS

Councilmembers reported on meetings and events they attended.

8.B CITY MANAGER'S REPORT AND REFERRALS

Mr. Hall discussed a funding request of \$9,000 from the Ambassador Program. He would like to bring this item to the Consent Calendar on November 10. The Council agreed.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.