



CITY OF EDGEWOOD

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tues., December 13, 2011 – 7 p.m. ♦ City Hall – 2224 104th Avenue East ♦ Edgewood, WA

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hogan called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Olson led attendees in the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Jeffery Hogan, Deputy Mayor Mike L. Kelley, Jr., Councilmember Dave Olson, Councilmember Paul Crowley, Councilmember Daryl Eidinger, Councilmember Donna J. O'Ravez and Councilmember Steve Cope.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Bauer stated that staff will be hosting an open house on the Jovita Boulevard Realignment Project on January 5, 2012. This will be an opportunity for citizens to view and comment on the design drawings for the new Jovita segment and the Roundabout. He said that there will be two introduction sessions during the open house so citizens will have two opportunities to hear about the project and provide written comments.

He noted that the concrete section of the Interurban Trail off 114th Avenue East has been poured and noted the historical significance of the third, or "hot" rail that has been incorporated into the design, which powered the Interurban Electric Railway cars.

He provided an update regarding the first phase of the undergrounding project along SR 161 and noted that it will be complete by the end of the week and that we will wait for the State to finish their phase of the undergrounding in the right-of-way before the City can finish its work.

He noted that the City's first Annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony was a huge success with a large group of citizens, the Edgemont Junior High school band playing Christmas music and Santa arriving on the fire truck to the smiles of many of the children in the crowd. The tree was beautifully adorned with lights and was lit by the Mayor. He also noted that the Boy Scouts were there selling wreaths and were responsible for serving the refreshments.

He updated the Council on the Pierce County Flood Control District formation, noting that it is moving forward through the Rules Committee and that final action will occur on January 17, 2012, with a final ordinance hearing and adoption by the Council on January 31st. He noted that he and Public Works Director Joe Seet will be attending the meeting and providing input where appropriate. He noted that as he understands the process, the best case would be that the County returns 10% of the revenue back to the City's for local projects. There are still several cities that are continuing to fight the mandatory inclusion in the District.

He noted that an Interim Finance Director is on board and has been working on updating our financial reports, balancing our bank statements and becoming familiar with our financial system over the past two weeks and will be reviewing our Banking RFP's and completing our 2012 budget document, while closing out our 2011 accounts.

Community Development Director Phillips provided an update on the Planning Commission and the 2012 work plan and meetings.

He recommended that the December 20th Council Study Session, December 27th Regular Council meeting and the January 3rd Council Study Session be cancelled and that the next meeting would be the Regular Council Meeting on January 10, 2012, which was met without opposition from the Council.

Police Chief Ed Knutson provided an update on police activity in the City. He shared information about the fatality accident that occurred and a thank you letter to Deputy Johnson from a citizen. He noted that the new police statistics are available and in the Council boxes. He provided information regarding the Mountain View Community Center's second Annual Holiday Party and Toy Drive on December 15th and encouraged Council to stop by.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Zach Knight of Les Schwab noted his excitement regarding the new store opening in Edgewood and noted that Les Schwab is here to serve the community. He noted that the official grand opening will be January 26th, 27th and 28th.

The following items are presented for Council approval:

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Summary of October 20, 2011

Regular Council Meeting Minutes of November 22, 2011

AB 11-087, a motion authorizing the City Manager to extend the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the City of Buckley for Building Inspector services

AB 11-088, a motion accepting the October 2011 Financial Report

AB 11-089, a motion approving 2011 claims in the amount of \$788,072.35

Motion: As read. **Action:** Approve. **Moved by** Deputy Mayor Mike L. Kelley, Jr., **Seconded by** Councilmember Paul Crowley.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Councilmember Daryl Eidinger, Councilmember Dave Olson, Councilmember Donna J. O'Ravez, Councilmember Paul Crowley, Councilmember Steve Cope, Deputy Mayor Mike L. Kelley, Jr., Mayor Jeffery Hogan.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

AB 11-090, a motion confirming the mayoral appointment of Nathaniel Lowry to the Planning Commission

Motion: Amend the Council Rules, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mayor Jeffery Hogan, **Seconded by** Councilmember Paul Crowley.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Councilmember Daryl Eidinger, Councilmember Dave Olson, Councilmember Donna J. O'Ravez, Councilmember Paul Crowley, Councilmember Steve Cope, Deputy Mayor Mike L. Kelley, Jr., Mayor Jeffery Hogan.

Motion: As read. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Deputy Mayor Mike L. Kelley, Jr., **Seconded by** Councilmember Paul Crowley.

Councilmember Olson asked if there were other applicants. Mayor Hogan noted that Rose Hill had also applied.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Councilmember Daryl Eidinger, Councilmember Dave Olson, Councilmember Donna J. O'Ravez, Councilmember Paul Crowley, Councilmember Steve Cope, Deputy Mayor Mike L. Kelley, Jr., Mayor Jeffery Hogan.

AB 11-0376, first reading of an ordinance adopting a sewer rate

City Manager Bauer briefed the Council on the item. City Manager and City Attorney Lell responded to questions.

Discussion ensued.

Nancy Neraas, Bond Counsel from Foster Pepper LLC, responded to questions from the Council.

Motion: As read. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Councilmember Paul Crowley, **Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Mike L. Kelley, Jr..

Discussion ensued.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Councilmember Daryl Eidinger, Councilmember Dave Olson, Councilmember Donna J. O'Ravez, Councilmember Paul Crowley, Councilmember Steve Cope, Deputy Mayor Mike L. Kelley, Jr., Mayor Jeffery Hogan.

AB 11-091, a motion authorizing the City Manager to execute an extension to an existing contract with Kennedy Jenks

Community Development Director Phillips briefed the Council on the item.

Motion: As read. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Councilmember Paul Crowley, **Seconded by** Councilmember Daryl Eidinger.

Discussion ensued.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Councilmember Daryl Eidinger, Councilmember Dave Olson, Councilmember Donna J. O'Ravez, Councilmember Paul Crowley, Councilmember Steve Cope, Deputy Mayor Mike L. Kelley, Jr., Mayor Jeffery Hogan.

AB 11-092, a motion authorizing the City Manager to amend the Agreement for professional services with Foster Pepper LLC

Community Development Director Phillips briefed the Council on the item and responded to questions.

Ray Rempel, 1914 Meridian Avenue East, commented on the protest and associated appeal costs.

Motion: As read. **Action:** Approve. **Moved by** Councilmember Paul Crowley, **Seconded by** Councilmember Dave Olson.

Discussion ensued.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Councilmember Daryl Eidinger, Councilmember Dave Olson, Councilmember Donna J. O'Ravez, Councilmember Paul Crowley, Councilmember Steve Cope, Deputy Mayor Mike L. Kelley, Jr., Mayor Jeffery Hogan.

AB 11-093, a motion authorizing the City Manager to negotiate a contract with Kamin Excavation, the apparent low bidder for the Jovita Crossroads Trailhead Park project

Public Works Director Seet briefed the Council on the item and responded to questions.

Motion: As read. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Councilmember Steve Cope, **Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Mike L. Kelley, Jr.

Discussion ensued.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Councilmember Daryl Eidinger, Councilmember Dave Olson, Councilmember Donna J. O'Ravez, Councilmember Paul Crowley, Councilmember Steve Cope, Deputy Mayor Mike L. Kelley, Jr., Mayor Jeffery Hogan.

AB-11-0377, first reading to extend the terms of LID No. 1 Bond Anticipation Note (BAN)

Community Development Director Phillips briefed the Council on the item and responded to questions.

Nancy Neraas, Bond Counsel from Foster Pepper LLC, noted that they had tried to get an extension beyond June 30, 2012 and noted that the City was fortunate not to have received an increased rate. She responded to questions from Council.

Ray Rempel, 1914 Meridian Avenue East, asked for clarification on when the first assessment payment is due.

Motion: As read. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Councilmember Dave Olson, **Seconded by** Deputy Mayor Mike L. Kelley, Jr..

Discussion ensued.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 7).

Yes: Councilmember Daryl Eidinger, Councilmember Dave Olson, Councilmember Donna J. O'Ravez, Councilmember Paul Crowley, Councilmember Steve Cope, Deputy Mayor Mike L. Kelley, Jr., Mayor Jeffery Hogan.

COUNCIL COMMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Crowley noted that he spoke to Terry Faherty and said that his brother had passed away and invited people to attend the mass.

Councilmember O'Ravez noted that the Annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony went well. She also noted that she attended the Economic Development Ad Hoc Committee meeting and that she sensed some disappointment that the Committee's recommendation to hire a consultant to work on the marketing plan and implementation was not added to the 2012 budget. She urged Council to consider adding this item to the budget when possible.

Councilmember Olson asked if the new incumbents should be sworn in at the first Council meeting in January or if it needs to be done before that date. City Attorney Lell indicated that it can be done before or at the Council meeting.

Councilmember Cope asked City Manager Bauer if the City had requested funding from Senator Kastama to hire a consultant to help with this effort, to which he answered in the affirmative. Councilmember Cope noted that the Economic Development Ad Hoc Committee may not be aware of this and that they should be told that the City is trying to solicit funding for this effort.

Councilmember Olson asked if a preliminary date had been selected for the annual Council Retreat. City Manager Bauer responded that a date had not been selected yet, but that one could be set anytime and that the retreat usually takes place between January and March.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURN

When there was no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Hogan adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

Bonnie Valens Administrative Services
Manager / Acting City Clerk

Jeffery Hogan, Mayor