

## **MINUTES OF GIG HARBOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING – JULY 12, 2010**

**PRESENT:** Councilmembers Ekberg, Young, Franich, Conan, Malich, Payne, Kadzik and Mayor Hunter.

**CALL TO ORDER:** 5:31 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Approval of the Minutes of City Council Meeting of August 23, 2010.
2. Receive and File: a) Finance Committee Minutes June 21, 2010; b) City Council BB16 Worksession June 21, 2010.
3. Lift Station No. 6A – Consultant Services Contracts / Architectural and Topographical Surveying Services.
4. Harborview Dr/Stinson Ave Water Main Design / Consultant Services Contract with Murray Smith & Associates.
5. Approval of Payment of Bills for July 12, 2010: Checks #64047 through #64150 in the amount of \$896,521.93.
6. Approval of Payroll for the month of June: Checks #5703 through #5713 in the amount of \$309,725.11.

**MOTION:** Move to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented.  
**Franich / Ekberg** - unanimously approved.

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

**Recognizing Sgt. Scott Emmett, Marline McClane, Police Services Specialist and Officer Ray Jahn for 20 years of service to the city.**

Chief Mike Davis began by introducing Sergeant Scott Emmett, who came to work in the Gig Harbor Police Department in the fall of 1989 with over ten years of prior experience. He gave an overview of Sgt. Emmett's accomplishments over the past 20 years, announcing that the department will lose an excellent leader with his pending retirement. He offered Sgt. Emmett a 20-year Service Award.

Chief Davis then introduced Officer Ray Jahn who was hired in July 1990 and also had ten years of prior experience. He said that Officer Jahn works with minimal supervision; is extremely reliable and likable and has served as a valuable addition to the department. Officer Jahn is also contemplating retirement towards the end of this year. Chief Davis presented his 20-year Service Award.

Chief Davis finalized by asking Marline McClane, Police Services Specialist to come forward to receive her 20-year Service Award. He said that Marline also came with several years experience both with the Pierce County Sheriffs' Department and as a Search and Rescue volunteer. He gave a brief overview of her background adding that

her compassion, unselfishness and sensitivity is unequalled and they look forward to many more years of her service.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Proposed Countywide Flood Control District. City Administrator Rob Karlinsey summarized the background on the desire by Pierce County for form a countywide flood control district to perform flood control projects. He added that Bonney Lake has voted to invoke jurisdiction; Lakewood and University Place are considering the same action.

City Attorney Angela Belbeck and Staff answered questions regarding the process to invoke jurisdiction to be removed from the district.

**MOTION:** Move to authorize the Mayor to notify the Washington State Boundary Review Board for Pierce County that the City of Gig Harbor hereby invokes the jurisdiction of the Board in connection with Pierce County Council's request for formation of a countywide flood control district, BRB Case No. I-10-1.

**Malich / Payne** - unanimously approved.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. First Reading of Ordinance – Water/Sewer Revenue Bond for Outfall Extension. Finance Director David Rodenbach presented background information for step two of the issuance and sale of the water-sewer revenue bonds for the completion of the sewer outfall extension project. He introduced Cynthia Weed and David Trageser.

Cynthia Weed, K & L Gates described these 20-year fixed rate bonds. She said the final interest rates and maturities and whether the market supports the issuance of these as "Build-America" bonds will be finalized at the next reading.

David Trageser, Senior Vice President D.A. Davidson and Co., explained that the city participated in a rating process which is expected to be solid. He added that they currently expect the majority of the bonds to be issued as "Build-America" bonds which would result in the lowest net borrowing cost.

2. Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance on Zoning Code Efficiency Amendments. Senior Planner Jennifer Kester summarized this ordinance that would help to clarify the permitting process, correct errors, reduce the need for interpretations and improve customer service; all basic efficiencies. She addressed questions.

Mayor Hunter opened the public hearing at 6:05 p.m. No one came forward to speak and the hearing closed.

3. Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance Vacating a Portion of Woodworth Avenue - Gartland. Engineering Technician Willy Hendrickson presented this request to

vacate a 30-foot strip of Woodworth Avenue abutting the property owned by Timothy and Kimberly Gartland. He explained that this property is not part of the non-user statue area and that the applicants have paid \$500 for an appraisal before the second reading of the ordinance.

Rob Karlinsey requested that Council decide tonight if they have objections to the vacation moving forward to save the Gartland's the expense of an appraisal.

Mayor Hunter opened the public hearing at 6:14 p.m. Councilmember Ekberg asked why the applicant wanted the property vacated.

Timothy Gartland – 9112 Prentice Avenue. Mr. Gartland explained that their lot is triangular and small and any addition would be beneficial if they were to increase their building or yard.

Mrs. Gartland responded to a question about removing the trees on this strip by saying they were not the ones who asked to have these trees removed.

There were no further comments and the hearing closed at 6:17 p.m.

#### **STAFF REPORT:**

City Administrator Rob Karlinsey reported that the bid opening for the Harborview Waterline Replacement is scheduled for this Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. He then announced that staff was presenting an update on the Outfall Project Tuesday from 4-7 at Jerisich Dock. He was asked to check on the operational hours as it was reported the contractor was still working 7:45 p.m.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Linda Vu – 14041 30th Ave NE, Seattle, 98125. Ms. Vu, a political organizer with Lyndon LaRouche, said a past legislation called the Homeowners and Banks Protection Act would have addressed the current economic crisis. She said they are here to talk about the current efforts to reenact the Glass-Steagall Banking Act that would protect the citizens. She encouraged the city to support this effort.

Seri Martin – 14029 37th Ave. NE, Seattle, 98125. Ms. Martin followed up on these comments and asked council to take up a resolution to support this effort. She discussed the end of the unemployment extension and the emergency services that have been cut and how it will affect the surrounding localities. She stressed that the interest of the population is in the hands of the city, state and federal leaders and that is why they are calling for support on all levels. She passed out information for Councilmembers to review.

Javier Raffey – 14029 37th Ave NE, 98125. Ms. Raffey added that LaRouche has forecasted that by the middle of September the international financial system could

collapse. The Glass-Steagall Banking Act would return the United States as a sovereign nation that will decide its own financial future. She also said that they are calling for impeachment of the president because he would never allow the reinstatement of the Glass-Steagall Act.

**MAYOR'S REPORT / COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilmember Young shared that Randy Boss would like to bring a new proposal for the C-1 Zone back for consideration.

Councilmember Malich thanked city staff for red-striping the sidewalk in front of the Lighthouse Marine.

Councilmember Payne said that Mr. Boss approached him to put something on the agenda, but it wasn't a timely request.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF OTHER MEETINGS:**

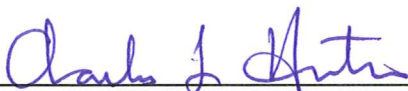
1. GH North Traffic Options Committee – Wed. Jul 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. – final meeting.

Rob Karlinsey announced there would be no Operations Meetings in July or August.

**ADJOURN:**

**MOTION:** Move to adjourn at 6:34 p.m.  
**Franich / Conan** – unanimously approved.

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Charles L. Hunter, Mayor

  
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Molly Towsee, City Clerk