

## MINUTES OF GIG HARBOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING – FEBRUARY 14, 2011

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

**CALL TO ORDER:** 5:30 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Approval of the Minutes of City Council Meeting of January 24, 2011.
2. Liquor License Action: a) New application – Java & Clay Café; b) License Transfer: Water to Wine; c) Renewals: Water to Wine; Costco Wholesale; Eagles; Gig Harbor Chevron; Gig Harbor 76; Il Lucano; Tokyo Teriyaki; Gateway to India; Hot Iron 750; and Tides Tavern.
3. Receive and File: GHPD 2010 4th Quarter Report.
4. Incineration of Controlled Substance Agreement.
5. Tacoma Visitor and Convention Bureau Contract.
6. Pierce County Promotion Area Interlocal Agreement Amendment.
7. HUD Agreement for Donkey Creek Transportation Project.
8. 2011 Water Main Improvement Project – Surveying Services Consultant Contract.
9. Well No. 11 Test Well – Public Works Contract.
10. Grandview Tank Foundation Project – Consultant Services Contract / Parametrix.
11. Lift Station No. 6 Architectural Design Drawings / Lawhead & Associates.
12. WWTP Improvement Project – Consultant Services Contract Amendment / Parametrix.
13. Approval of Payment of Bills for February 14, 2011: Checks #65579 through #65751 in the amount of \$1,061,980.85.
14. Approval of Payroll for the Month of January: Checks #5835 through #5850 in the amount of \$306,462.27.

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

The agenda was amended to postpone the swearing in ceremony to follow Old Business to allow Officer Hutches to arrive.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Official City Newspaper. City Clerk Molly Towslee explained that the advertisement to bid for the city's official city newspaper mistakenly contained language that deals with advertising of bids for the small works roster and has nothing to do with the call for an official newspaper. In addition State law does not require the City to award its official newspaper status to the lowest responsible bidder nor does the City Code.

**MOTION:** Move to reconsider the motion of January 24th to award the designation of the "Official City Newspaper" to *the Peninsula Gateway*.

**Ekberg / Conan** – unanimously approved.

**MOTION:** Move to withdraw the January 24 designation of *the Peninsula Gateway* as "Official City Newspaper," to reject all proposals, and to direct the City Clerk to readvertise without the public works language.

**Ekberg / Conan** – four voted in favor. Councilmember Malich voted no.

**SWEARING IN CEREMONY:** Chief Mike Davis introduced the city's newly hired police officer, Debra Hutches. After giving a brief overview of her background, he asked Mayor Hunter to perform the ceremony to swear her in as Police Officer.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** For the purpose of discussing potential litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i).

**MOTION:** Move to go into Executive Session at 5:39 p.m. for approximately 20 minutes to discuss potential litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i).

**Kadzik / Conan** – unanimously approved.

**MOTION:** Move to return to regular session at 6:00 p.m.

**Kadzik / Conan** – unanimously approved.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Employee Medical Insurance Voluntary Opt-Out Proposal – Memorandum of Understanding. City Administrator Rob Karlinsey presented the background information on this proposed medical opt out for supervisory employees and answered Council questions.

**MOTION:** Move to authorize the Mayor to sign the attached Memorandum of Understanding with the Supervisor's Guild.

**Ekberg / Kadzik** – unanimously approved.

2. First Reading of Ordinance – Amending the 2011 Salary Schedule. Administrator Karlinsey explained that this ordinance will correct the error in the salary range for the Assistant Building Official/Fire Marshal adopted in the 2011 Budget. This will come back for a second reading and adoption at the next meeting.

### **STAFF REPORT:**

1. 2010 Ending Fund Balance. City Administrator Karlinsey reported that the 2010 Ending Fund Balance has come in 2% higher than anticipated which amounts to

approximately \$200,000.00. He offered several options for what Council could choose to do with these funds. He explained that a list of possible new projects would be presented to the Operations and Public Projects Committee for discussion.

2. The Borgen Boulevard Local Improvement District has been paid off and the left over reserve for city use is \$100,000.00. Administrator Karlinsey said he would come back to Council with a recommendation for how these funds can be used.

3. Maritime Pier Update. Administrator Karlinsey presented information on the proposed plan to be submitted for a maintenance permit to replace the existing pier. He said that the plan had been reviewed by the stakeholders group who concurred with the plan with the understanding that this doesn't preclude future expansion of the size or use of the pier.

Councilmember Franich asked a question about using volunteer labor, citing the offer by the Fishermen's Club to contribute \$50,000 towards the project, and the possibility that they could use their equipment to clear the site. City Attorney Angela Belbeck responded by saying that there is the ability to use volunteer labor up to what she thinks is \$75,000 before the city has to financially match funds. She added that there are limitations to the cost a project for this to come into play.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

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

Councilmember Paul Kadzik recognized the Boy Scouts in the audience and thanked them for coming to the meeting.

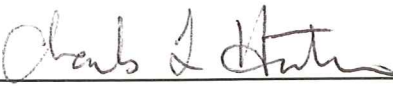
**ANNOUNCEMENT OF OTHER MEETINGS:**


1. Operations Committee – Thu. Feb 17<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m.
2. Civic Center closed in Observance of Presidents Day – Mon. Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>.
3. Finance / Safety Committee Tues. Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> at 4:00 p.m.
4. Boards and Candidates Review – Mon. Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

**ADJOURN:**

**MOTION:** Move to adjourn at 6:27 p.m.  
**Franich / Conan** – unanimously approved.

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Charles L. Hunter, Mayor

  
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Molly Towslee, City Clerk