

MINUTES OF GIG HARBOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING – SEPTEMBER 26, 2011

PRESENT: Councilmembers Young, Conan, Malich, Payne, and Kadzik.
Councilmember Franich acted as Mayor Pro Tem in Mayor Hunter's absence.

CALL TO ORDER: 5:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Pro Tem Franich announced that New Business Item No. 2, Public Hearing on Retail Building Size in the C-1 Zoning District was cancelled because the proponent had withdrawn the application.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of the Minutes of City Council Meeting of September 12, 2011.
2. Liquor License Action: a) Renewals: Fred Meyer #601; Harvester Restaurant; and QFC #864.
3. Receive and File: Gig Harbor Historical Waterfront Association - 3rd Quarter Report.
4. Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Membership Changes.
5. 2011 Water Main Improvement and Replacement Project Permit Execution – Tacoma Public Utilities
6. Voting Center Agreement with Pierce County Elections.
7. Resolution – Rejecting Bid from Pacific Pile and Marine, L.P. for the Skansie Net Shed Pier Restoration Project.
8. Washington State Military Homeland Security Grant Agreement – E12-080.
9. Resolution – Rejecting Bid from Garcia-Tucker Associates, LLC for the Stanich Lane / Judson Street Pedestrian Improvement Project.
10. Stanich Lane / Judson Street Pedestrian Improvement Project Construction Contract and Materials Testing Contract.
11. Approval of Payment of Bills for September 26, 2011: Checks #67864 through #67958 in the amount of \$1,724,270.04.

MOTION: Move to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented.
Ekberg / Conan – unanimously approved.

PRESENTATIONS: Outstanding Wastewater Treatment Plant Award.

Mayor Pro Tem Franich announced that the city has received this award five years in a row. He praised Darrel Winans and the WWTP Crew because they won the award even though the new treatment plant was under construction.

WWTP Supervisor Darrel Winans called introduced members of the crew present: Joe Pominville, Norine Landon, and Matthew Quinlisk. He praised his entire crew for their hard work and dedication calling them an outstanding group of individuals who all work to achieve these goals.

City Administrator Rob Karlinsey added that even though the city has received the award for five years, it is far from routine. He said that many other treatment plants do not get this award which shows what an elite group of workers are at the plant.

OLD BUSINESS: None scheduled.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Cushman Trail Federal TCSP Grant. Senior Engineer Emily Appleton presented the background for this grant application to complete the Cushman Trail and explained the three options available to Council. Ms. Appleton explained that approving the agreement would reserve the city's rights and allow staff to move forward with a reduced scope of work. She stressed that this would be discussed during the 2012 budget and at any time Council could decide not to move forward with funding and the grant could be withdrawn.

Councilmembers discussed the cost of the project and whether the city should commit to the project during these economic times. It was decided to approve the agreement as a placeholder and discuss this further during the budget process.

MOTION: Move to review and approve the Local Agency Guidelines Funding Agreement to use Federal Highway Administration funds for the Cushman Trail Phase 3 project and authorize the staff to pursue a scope change with FHWA.

Ekberg / Conan – unanimously approved.

1. ~~Public Hearing **CANCELLED** – Retail Building Size in the C-1 Zoning District – WITHDRAWN BY APPLICANT.~~

2. Interim Ordinance Implementing FEMA Option #3 – Permit-by-Permit Demonstration of Compliance under the Endangered Species Act. City Attorney Angela Belbeck presented the background information for this ordinance adopting interim development regulations relating to development in the flood hazard and buffer areas that would allow the city to remain eligible for the National Flood Insurance Program. She addressed Council questions and explained the need to declare this an emergency and adopt the interim regulations immediately.

MOTION: Move to adopt Ordinance No. 1223, declaring an emergency and adopting interim development regulations relating to development in the flood hazard and buffer areas to take effect immediately.

Ekberg / Young – five voted in favor. Councilmembers Franich and Malich voted no.

STAFF REPORT: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

MAYOR'S REPORT / COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilmember Malich asked for clarification on the regulations for charity collection boxes. Tom Dolan said he would send out an e-mail with the appropriate zoning code citation.

Michael Perrow – PO Box 1266, Gig Harbor. Mr. Perrow responded that there four collection entities in the city; three that are charitable organizations: Goodwill, Books for Charity, and ARC, but the fourth, US Again is a private organization and should be required to have a business license. Their collection sites are located at the Finholm District and at Patterson's Fruit Stand.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF OTHER MEETINGS:

1. City Council / Parks Commission Joint Meeting: Wed. Oct 5th at 5:30 p.m.
2. Lodging Tax Advisory Committee: Thu. Oct. 6th at 8:30 a.m.
3. Planning / Building Committee: Fri. Oct 7th at 2:30 p.m.
4. Intergovernmental Affairs Committee: Mon. Oct 10th at 4:30 p.m.
5. Operations and Public Projects Committee: Thu. Oct. 20th at 3:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: For the purpose of discussion pending litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) and property acquisition per RCW 42.30.110(b).


MOTION: Move to adjourn to Executive Session at 6:25 p.m. for approximately 30 minutes for the purpose of discussion pending litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) and property acquisition per RCW 42.30.110(b).
Payne / Young – unanimously approved.

MOTION: Move to return to regular session at 6:55 p.m.
Kadzik / Conan – unanimously approved.

ADJOURN:

MOTION: Move to adjourn at 6:55 p.m.
Kadzik / Conan – unanimously approved.

CD recorder utilized: Tracks 1002 – 1017



Charles L. Mayor



Molly Towslee, City Clerk