

MINUTES OF GIG HARBOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING – May 14, 2012

PRESENT: Councilmembers Ekberg, Young, Guernsey, Perrow, Malich, Payne, and Kadzik and Mayor Hunter.

CALL TO ORDER: 5:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

MOTION: Move to amend the agenda to add the appointment of attorney Scott Snyder to be hearing officer in the upcoming SEPA Appeal of the Shoreline Management Program to New Business.
Ekberg / Kadzik – unanimously approved.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of City Council Minutes: a) Minutes of April 23, 2012; b) Special Meeting April 30, 2012; c) Special Meeting May 2, 2012.
2. Receive and File: a) GHPD 1st Quarter Report; b) Downtown Planning & Visioning Committee minutes March 21, 2012; c) 4th Quarter Finance Report.
3. Correspondence / Proclamations: a) Ready, Set, Go! 5210 Childhood Obesity.
4. Liquor License Action: a) Special Occasion – GH Yacht Club Junior Sail Program; b) Chamber of Commerce – Maritime Gig; c) ~~Added Privilege – Red Rooster Café~~; d) Renewals: Target, Puerto Vallarta, Round Table Pizza, Julep Nail Parlor.
5. Summer Sounds Concert Contracts.
6. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 1240 – Compensation for Municipal Judge.
7. Pump Station 3A Wet Well – Construction Services Contract/HDR.
8. Well #11 Production Well Development – First Amendment to Consultant Services Contract with Carollo Engineers.
9. Donkey Creek Project - Consultant Services Contract Amendment No. 2 – Parametrix.
10. Donkey Creek Project – Preparation of Final Plans and Specifications, Preparation of Bidding Documents and Final Permitting Assistance - Consultant Services Contract Amendment No. 3 – Parametrix.
11. 2012 SR16 Burnham Interchange Mitigation Improvements Wetland Monitoring – Consultant Services Contract/DEA, Inc.
12. Public Safety Testing Agreement Renewal.
13. Washington State Grant for Maritime Pier Design and Construction.
14. 2012 Traffic Model Update Contract Amendment No. 2 – David Evans & Associates.
15. 2012 Pavement Maintenance Project - Public Works Contract and Consultant Services Contract Awards.
16. Approval of Payment of Bills May 14, 2012: Checks #69577 through #69714 in the amount of \$532,359.34.
17. Approval of Payroll for the month of April: Checks # 6473 through #6490 in the amount of \$360,764.07.

MOTION: Move to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented.
Ekberg / Payne – six voted in favor. Councilmember Perrow abstained due to a conflict of interest on items nine and ten.

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Ready, Set, Go! 5210 Childhood Obesity Proclamation. Mayor Hunter presented the signed proclamation to Kirstin Hawkins, YMCA Communications and Outreach Instructor. She and Christine Butorak, Senior Health and Wellness Instructor described this program to combat childhood obesity.

2. Gig Harbor Boat Club – Kayak Storage Presentation. Bruce McKean, Helix Design Group and parent of one of the racing kayakers gave a brief introduction. Alan Anderson, founder of the club and team coach, presented the club history and future plans which include a para-canoe program.

Mr. McKean then presented the basic concept for the proposed storage facility that they would like to locate at Skansie Brothers Park.

Councilmember Kadzik said he would like to make a request for the city to give staff direction to move forward with this project and to absorb as many fees as possible.

There was discussion on the steps required to develop a policy for private organizations building on city property and appropriate placement of structures. Council directed staff to work with the city attorney to work out the licensing and liability issues, and to ask the Parks Commission for an appropriate policy.

OLD BUSINESS: None scheduled.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Washington State Heritage Grant for Eddon Boat. Mayor Hunter explained that the city has the opportunity to apply for a Washington State Heritage Capital Grant for the reconstruction of the Eddon Boat Marine Railway which would require a \$60,000 cash contribution from the city. There is \$175,500 budgeted in 2012 for Eddon Park improvements that could be used for this purpose.

Councilmember Ekberg disclosed that his company carries the insurance for Gig Harbor BoatShop, but said he didn't feel this was a conflict.

MOTION: Move to go forward and apply for the grant with the understanding that it requires a \$60,000 commitment from the city.
Young / Malich – unanimously approved.

2. Appointment of Attorney Scott Snyder as hearing officer in the upcoming appeal. City Administrator Denny Richards explained that Angela Belbeck would be representing the

staff members during the upcoming appeal which means the Mayor and Council would need separate legal representation.

MOTION: Move to appoint W. Scott Snyder as hearing officer in the Frisbie appeal. The hearing officer is authorized to conduct the hearing and any required prehearing procedures, and make rulings on evidentiary and procedural matters. The Gig Harbor City Council expressly reserves its final decision-making authority and the right to overrule any ruling of the hearing officer to exclude any evidence the City Council deems relevant and material.

Ekberg / Young – unanimously approved.

STAFF REPORT:

City Administrator Denny Richards reported that this is his fifth week and he has enjoyed it so far. He stressed that we are extremely busy and gave an overview of current construction projects. He said that he met with the Port of Tacoma Government Affairs representative and will meet with Briahna Taylor from Gordon Thomas Honeywell Government Affairs next week.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

MAYOR'S REPORT / COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilmember Young reported that tonight there would be a decision on the tied vote for his position on the Pierce Transit Board of Commissioners. He said they are headed in the direction of a ballot this fall as a result of the fall in revenues.

Councilmember Malich gave a brief update on the Tacoma Narrows Airport Committee talks about the next generation of FAA controls and economic impacts of an airport on the communities. He said he would forward the minutes as he receives them.

Councilmember Kadzik asked if the city responds to complaint letters such as the one from Ms. Jump regarding utility rates and Donkey Creek. Mr. Richards responded that staff attempts to respond to all letters and calls. He was asked to forward a copy of any responses to Councilmembers.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF OTHER MEETINGS:

1. Open House Rainier-Cascade Water Main Improvement Project: May 16th 4-6 p.m.
2. Operations Committee: Thu. May 17th at 3:00 p.m.
3. Civic Center closed May 28th for Memorial Day.
4. City Council Meeting: **Tues.** May 29th at 5:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: For the purpose of discussing pending litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) and Guild Negotiations per RCW 42.30.140(4)(a).

Mayor Hunter, City Councilmembers, City Administrator Denny Richards, and City Attorney Angela Belbeck were in attendance. It was announced that no action was to be taken after the session.

MOTION: Move to adjourn to Executive Session at 6:10 p.m. for approximately 15 minutes for the purpose of discussing pending litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) and Guild Negotiations per RCW 42.30.140(4)(a).
Payne / Perrow – unanimously approved.

At 6:28, Mayor Hunter returned to the Council Chambers and announced the need to extend the Executive Session for another ten minutes.

MOTION: Move to return to regular session at 6:42 p.m.
Payne / Kadzik – unanimously approved.

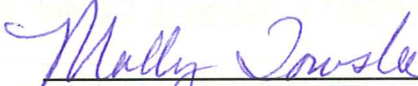
ADJOURN:

MOTION: Move to adjourn at 6:42 p.m.
Payne / Kadzik – unanimously approved.

CD recorder utilized: Tracks 1002 – 1016



Charles L. Hunter, Mayor



Molly Towslee, City Clerk