

CITY OF SHORELINE
SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL
SUMMARY MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, December 7, 2009 - 6:30 p.m.
Shoreline Conference Center
Mt. Rainier Room

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Scott, and Councilmembers Eggen, Hansen, McConnell, McGlashan, and Way.

ABSENT: Mayor Ryu

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 6:30 p.m., the meeting was called to order by Deputy Mayor Scott, who presided.

2. FLAG SALUTE/ROLL CALL

Deputy Mayor Scott led the flag salute. Upon roll call by the City Clerk, all Councilmembers were present with the exception of Mayor Ryu. Deputy Mayor Scott observed a moment silence for the four City of Lakewood Police Officers; Ronald Owens, Tina Griswold, Mark Rettinger, and Gregory Richards, who lost their lives on November 29.

Upon motion by Councilmember Hansen, seconded by Councilmember Eggen and carried 6-0, Mayor Ryu was excused.

(a) Recognition of Outgoing Councilmembers

Deputy Mayor Scott presented plaques to Mayor Ryu, Councilmember Hansen, and Councilmember Way for their service on the City Council. Councilmember Way and Councilmember Hansen both gave speeches on the value of service.

3. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Bob Olander, City Manager, provided reports and updates on various City meetings, projects, and events. Mr. Olander also noted that the December 14, 21, and 28 City Council meetings are cancelled for holiday recess. Additionally, he stated that the December 17 Planning Commission meeting is cancelled.

Mark Bunje, Shoreline Fire Marshal, reported on the November 13 fire at 16748 Aurora Avenue North. He noted that the building was a total loss and 26 units responded with 65

personnel on site from five different agencies; City staff, Shoreline Police, King County Fire/Arson Investigation unit, Seattle Public Utilities, and Seattle City Light.

4. COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Way noted that she attended a meeting at Shoreline Community College (SCC) with the Economic Gardening Group and it was hosted by Representative Maralyn Chase. The meeting outlined the concept of green jobs and ways to generate green jobs in the future.

Councilmember Hansen said he attended the Regional Water Quality meeting and there was discussion about reclaimed water becoming an issue in the future. There were updates on the Brightwater Project and he announced that they are tunneling in Lake Forest Park and having problems and breakdowns with the machines in the middle section. He also attended the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) meeting and the Executive Board passed the preferred alternative for Vision 2040.

Councilmember Eggen stated that SeaShore had its December meeting and elected their 2010 officers. He said he is the co-chair again and there was discussion about their legislative agenda and work plan, which he emailed to Council and is available to the public.

5. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

a) Terri Anderson, Shoreline, said she is on the Friends of Fircrest Board of Directors and is the Washington State Coordinator for Voices of the Retarded (VOR). She added that she also represents her son at Fircrest School. She noted that supporting this need is costly, but it isn't true that the cost is higher in a Residential Habilitation Center (RHC). An RHC environment saves the City money, she said. She explained that the needs of the clients are the largest driver of costs, regardless of the setting. She felt these facilities should be referred to as RHC's, not "institutions." She described the needs of a developmentally disabled person and urged the Council to investigate any ill-advised attempts to move them.

b) LaNita Wacker, Shoreline, acknowledged Councilmember Ron Hansen and his wife for their contributions to the City and presented them with a Christmas cactus. She said he has served on many national committees.

c) Cindy Neff, Shoreline, thanked the City's Finance Director Debbie Tarry for her explanations of the City budget and finances. She thanked Public Works Director Mark Relph who personally responded to a problem in her community. She also acknowledged the efforts of the Shoreline Fire Department who she felt saved her life. She also read a letter from former Councilmember Rich Gustafson honoring Councilmember Ron Hansen's contributions to the City. The letter also thanked Councilmember Way and Mayor Ryu.

d) Boni Biery, Shoreline, stated her primary concern in Shoreline is local habitat, things like Mayor Ryu and Councilmember Way worked on. She noted that they worked on the open space bond and the purchase of South Woods and Kruckeberg. She felt the City needs more open space and Mayor Ryu and Councilmember Way were instrumental in the development of Shoreline's sustainability strategy which includes requirements for low impact development standards. She noted that the Aurora Phase II hybrid plan is more environmentally sensitive because of them and they also created and sustained an environmental mini-grant program. She added that they were instrumental in the restoration project in Ronald Bog and the Brugger's Bog streamside restoration. She also noted that there is a winter birds study in Shoreline.

e) Wes Brennan, Shoreline, on behalf of Citizens for Shoreline Schools, thanked the three outgoing Councilmembers for their vision to modernize the schools in Shoreline. He asked the public to endorse the campaign, support the campaign, and vote "yes" on the three school-related ballot measures in February 2010.

f) Christa Tenney, Shoreline, said she is the Chair of Citizens of Shoreline Schools and thanked Cindy Ryu, Janet Way, and Ron Hansen for their service. She read an excerpt from "Other People's Children" by Kelly Morrison and asked the public to support the school bond.

g) Dom Amor, Shoreline, stated that six years ago this week there was a vacated Council seat and there were three candidates who wanted to fill it. He stated he was glad the City didn't pick him. He thanked Cindy Ryu, Janet Way, and Ron Hansen for their service. He thanked the City staff, Mark Relph and Jesus Sanchez for addressing the 8th Avenue NE drainage problem. He concurred with prior speakers in urging the Council to support the schools campaign, asking them to collectively pass a resolution to support the bond and levy campaigns and to individually provide support.

Councilmember McConnell asked Mr. Amor to let the public and the Council know how to endorse the levy and bond. Mr. Amor responded that the website to endorse this is www.VoteYesforShorelineSchools.org.

h) Laethan Wene, Shoreline, commented that the future Council should pay attention to needs of the developmentally disabled.

i) Elaine Phelps, Shoreline, thanked the retiring Councilmembers and for the changes in the direction of the City as far as its sensitivity to environmental issues. She extended a special acknowledgement to Janet Way because she said she hasn't stopped fighting for environmental issues. She thanked all of the parting Councilmembers for their devotion of time and effort.

j) Wendy DiPeso, Shoreline, discussed the Cleanscapes contract that was presented by the City staff at the October 2007 Council meeting. She noted that the Council voted unanimously on the contract. She stated that her reference to Cleanscapes that evening was meant to provide perspective to comments made by Michael Polowitz.

She highlighted the accomplishments by the current City Council: openness through citizen action committees; visioning; sustainability strategy; Mayor's climate protection agreement, open space bond passage, new parks, the Aurora Corridor, business licensing, a new City Hall with LEED standards, and the strengthening of our sister city relationship.

k) John Chang, Bellevue, thanked the City staff and City Manager Bob Olander for a magnificent building and for having the first meeting at the Council Chambers to celebrate the outgoing Councilmembers. He thanked the outgoing Councilmembers for giving time, energy and ideas. He noted that he worked with Ron Hansen and thanked him for his foresight and conservative budgeting. He thanked all of the spouses working behind the scenes. He hoped all the current and future Councilmembers and City staff unite in making Shoreline the best place to live.

l) Bob Ransom, Shoreline, reminisced that when he was on the school board they sat at folding tables, etc., and finally they built a building and a board room. In May 1995, they met in the District Court and discussed who the Mayor would be. At that time, there was no budget, money, or staff. Ron Hansen, he continued, went to Seafirst Bank to borrow money for the City's first loan. The City Council meetings started in the basement, then moved to the school band room. He said it is so much better to have our own building. He thanked Bob Olander who oversaw the building and Jesus Sanchez, who was the project manager. He expressed his thanks to the City Council and the three outgoing members.

m) Bettilynn Krezik-Brown, Shoreline, stated that inclusiveness of community means a lot to her. She said she is from Briarcrest and is very active in her community. She said she relates most with Cindy Ryu and Janet Way and hopes the Council will reach out to the community and encourage the City staff to do likewise. She said she was a bit dismayed when she walked into the room because there is a wall the Council sits behind and it looks like they have an elevated status. She said the citizen advisory committees mean a lot to her. She noted that South Woods and the work of Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services Director Dick Deal is an incredible asset. She said communication is very important and the resources as far as the budget are the same, even though they are being cut.

n) Dick Nicholson, Shoreline, stated that a group of citizens from the Shoreline Breakfast Rotary Club and two children met at Ronald Bog and planted 12 native trees. He encouraged everyone to visit Ronald Bog and enjoy them.

6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Councilmember Hansen moved approval of the agenda. Councilmember Way seconded the motion, which carried 6-0 and the agenda was approved.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Hansen moved approval of the Consent Calendar. Councilmember Eggen seconded the motion, which carried 6-0 and the following items were approved:

- (a) Minutes of Workshop Dinner Meeting of June 8, 2009
Minutes of Workshop Dinner Meeting of June 22, 2009
Minutes of Workshop Dinner Meeting of July 27, 2009
Minutes of Business Meeting of September 28, 2009
Minutes of Business Meeting of October 12, 2009
Minutes of Study Session of October 19, 2009
Minutes of Business Meeting of October 26, 2009
Minutes of Special Meeting of November 2, 2009**
- (b) Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Lake Forest Park relating to Resident Rate and Registration**
- (c) Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract Amendment with Universal Field Services for the Aurora Corridor Improvement Project, N 165th-N 185th and N 185th - N 192nd**
- (d) Motion to Amend the Council Rules of Procedure to Reflect the New Location for Shoreline City Council Meetings**
- (e) Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract with Pro Team Janitorial to provide 2010 Janitorial Services for City of Shoreline Facilities**

8. ACTION ITEMS: ORDINANCES, RESOLUTION, AND MOTIONS

- (a) Resolution No. 292 relating to the former Cedarbrook School Site**

Dick Deal, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Director explained the group effort to save the site for citizens of Shoreline and Lake Forest Park. This group is the Coalition for the Preservation of Cedarbrook and it was established in 2002. He stated that the agreement the Shoreline School District (SSD) provided the Coalition which gave them two years to find funding, is not adequate. The City, he noted, doesn't have Cedarbrook listed on the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan. However, the City will update the plan to include this site in 2010 in order to obtain funds for securing this park property. At this point, if SSD grants the Coalition an additional three years, the Coalition will have until 2013 to raise funds. This is a formal recommendation from the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services (PRCS) Board asking for additional time in order for the City to become eligible to receive funds. He thanked the Coalition for their hard work on this issue.

Deputy Mayor Scott called for public comment.

a) George Piano, Lake Forest Park, President of the Coalition for the Preservation of Cedarbrook, asked the Council to support Resolution No. 292. He thanked Dick Deal and PRCS Board for their unanimous support of this recommendation.

b) Betsy Piano, Lake Forest Park, said she is a resident in the Cedarbrook neighborhood. She said this park would be a huge asset to the entire area. She said this is a great opportunity to save ten acres of open space.

c) Tami Johnson, Shoreline, commented that North City has changed a lot, but there still aren't any parks there. She encouraged the City Council to support this Resolution.

d) Scott Mesic, Shoreline, commented on the wetlands and streams at Cedarbrook. He noted that they range between types 2, 3, and 4. He said that there are salmonids in these streams and the trees in this park act as barriers to wind. This park offers native vegetation, habitat, and surface water storage. He noted that pervious cover filters water and pollutants. He explained that the urbanization of this property would be detrimental.

e) Rich Osborne, Shoreline, said Cedarbrook is a huge value to him, his family, and friends. He urged the Council not to let it go away. Unfortunately, everyone knows that SSD cannot give endless time for the Coalition and the City to figure this out. He said the goal is to raise the money to buy it from SSD and give it to City as a park. He urged the City to vote in favor of Resolution No. 292.

f) Bob Ransom, Shoreline, said he has worked for the City to acquire many parks for Shoreline. He said there are thirty-one different parcels and it is a good system but there is a lack of parks on the east side of Shoreline. This is one of two potential parks left, he said. He encouraged the Council to consider Cedarbrook and vote for Resolution No. 292.

g) Nancy West, Lake Forest Park, encouraged the Council to vote in favor of this. She stated that Lake Forest Park needs a park and it is very important to her and her community.

h) Rusty West, Lake Forest Park, said he has been going to Cedarbrook for years and asked the Council to approve Resolution No. 292.

i) LaNita Wacker, Shoreline, commented that her son began his soccer career at Cedarbrook and her husband was a coach. She said she signed the petition to save Cedarbrook and the City needs it.

Councilmember McGlashan inquired about the condition of the buildings and Mr. Deal replied that he wasn't sure. Mr. Piano outlined his general contractor experience and said he did a survey of the buildings with SSD permission. He said there is asbestos in the

buildings and had looked at the roofs. The small office building in good shape, however, none of them meet current codes. The main problem is that the gym has a drainage issue and there is a sump pump running full time. The large school building is the least desirable and the preference is to preserve the small administration building and the gym.

Councilmember Hansen moved to adopt Resolution No. 292 relating to the former Cedarbrook School Site. Councilmember Way seconded the motion.

Councilmember Way felt that this has so much potential and it would be easy to daylight the creek. She highlighted that the parks master plan doesn't include this site. She expressed interest in the process going forward and wondered if there was any way to add this property in an interim amendment to the master plan. Mr. Deal replied that the Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) properties (SPU property north of Hamlin Park, South Woods, and Kruckeberg) were identified in the 2005 Open Space Parks plan and Cedarbrook is not. With this three-year extension they would have chance to compete for Conservation Futures Funding to get this on the list. He noted that there are technical hoops to figure out and go through, so there isn't much value in accelerating this. Councilmember Way also added that there are 800 signatures in support.

Councilmember McGlashan said he had some concerns as he struggled with this issue. He said he has received an email that this won't cost the City anything, but it will cost SSD something. He noted that the City's deficit isn't going down. He felt there should be some involvement from Lake Forest Park and if they want it they should contribute something to it.

Councilmember Eggen said he has been looking into the financial impacts too and felt preliminary planning will cost time and money. He said he spoke to the Lake Forest Park City Councilmembers and they are interested in working with Shoreline in a way that involves their financial participation. He wondered about the ramifications concerning official meetings and what the staffing needs would be. He said he respects Councilmember Way's comments about expediting the Parks Master plan, although it cannot be done because of the lack of time. Mr. Deal noted that this is the first step and there has been a lot of great energy, but nothing has really happened to start the forward momentum. This will be the official beginning of the process, he said. He noted that SSD is willing to start the dialogue with the Coalition, the City of Shoreline, and the City of Lake Forest Park. He said a five to ten year window to get this executed would allow a greater opportunity for success.

Mr. Olander noted that a major difference between this and Sunset is that this Cedarbrook was not offered as surplus property. The Sunset supporters raised some money and began working early on it. The first opportunity to put money into this project will probably be the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) in July. He felt that a three-year window for this would still be a tight timeline, but a partnership between all the parties involved would help this process along.

Councilmember McConnell questioned if the City would carry more weight as a public entity since the City could buy it. She felt that entities, like cities, should get involved in the acquisition and that is why Councilmember Eggen and her spoke to Lake Forest Park about this. She hoped to get more clarity about the City's financial involvement and to stay involved with SSD. She said the City will do what it can to cooperate, but this is a tight timeframe. She also noted that the possibility of a parks bond should be addressed. Mr. Deal replied that there hasn't been much staff time put into this process and SSD is in charge of it. He reiterated that this is a first step.

Deputy Mayor Scott supported the resolution. He added that the City has surplus properties coming up and there is a core value within our residents to preserve them. The Council and City staff has to be responsible and think broadly when considering the options. The City has tough financial circumstances and hopes the parties involved will work with us in a creative way to get these properties.

Councilmember Way noted that one option is to get land trust assistance and as the economy improves, things will get better. Mr. Deal noted that these groups are very interested in facilitating opportunities.

Councilmember McGlashan asked if the City staff inventories properties as part of the Parks and Recreation Open Space Plan update and how it works. Mr. Deal replied that there are 176 properties and projects in the City and that some are acquisitions and some are upgrades. He stated that inclusion on that list is a very extensive public process.

A vote was taken on the motion to adopt Resolution No. 292, which carried 6-0.

RECESS

At 9:32 p.m. Deputy Mayor Scott called for a five minute recess. The Council meeting reconvened at 9:38 p.m.

- (b) Motion to Approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Shoreline and the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA)

Dan Pingrey, Police Chief, provided the staff report. He stated that the recommendation is to approve the MOU between the DEA and the City of Shoreline to provide one police officer to the Regional Tactical Diversion Task Force. The purpose is to reduce the illegal sale of oxycodone and other pharmaceutical drugs in the City of Shoreline and regional area. He noted that he was approached by the DEA based on the work the City has done in arresting 30 dealers this year. This item requires one officer to work with the DEA for a period of two years. This, according to Chief Pingrey, is an excellent opportunity to be engaged in an agency with many resources. After six months the program will be reviewed to see if this is having an impact. If the effort is not working in six months, the City can step away from it. He said he has discussed this with the City Manager who felt

the time is right for this, although it wasn't right six months ago due to injuries and staff vacancies.

Deputy Mayor Scott called for public comment.

a) Wendy DiPeso, Shoreline, commented that people break into homes to search for pharmaceuticals. She highlighted the importance of getting rid of unused narcotics properly and emptying bottles into the trash.

Councilmember Hansen moved to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Shoreline and the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA). Councilmember Way seconded the motion.

Councilmember Hansen replied to Ms. DiPeso and stated that putting the pills into the landfill will allow the drug to leech out into the water system. He stated that there are too many drugs in medicine cabinets. He highlighted the street value of these drugs and stated that the City of Sammamish has a drug takeback program for expired prescriptions. However, there needs to be an agreement with the DEA that is backed up by a change in the law at the federal level to get takeback agencies to take and dispose of the prescriptions. He noted that pharmacies already have a disposal program so they don't affect kids or get into water system. He said this needs to be eliminated at the source of the drug. He said there was a bill introduced by Congressman Inslee and he is also trying to align this with state law. However, until it is addressed at a higher level the cities are just treating problems. Chief Pingrey noted that despite the obstacles, the Sammamish drug takeback program is working smoothly and he would like to see it work here.

Councilmember McGlashan clarified that the MOU is just an understanding and if things aren't working in six months the City can pull out. Chief Pingrey noted that the DEA will supply vehicles, office space, overtime, etc. He noted that his goal is make sure it doesn't impact Shoreline financially. This, he added, is addressed in the MOU which again can be reviewed in six months. The MOU is a two-year commitment, but the City has six months to review it.

Councilmember Eggen commented that the MOU states that the City of Shoreline will supply personnel and asked if they are being paid by DEA or King County. Chief Pingrey replied that the City is still paying for that officer, but not overtime. He added that the impact to current services should be minimal. Councilmember Eggen inquired about drug disposal and stated that there is no narcotic take back program. Mr. Pingrey replied that he was correct and law enforcement is the only drug take back, although there is a state law proposing a take back of prescriptions. Councilmember Hansen added that pharmacies can't take back narcotics. Bartells does this, he said, and so does Group Health. However, the push is to get all pharmacies to do it.

Councilmember Way said this sounds like a win-win situation and it isn't about the take back program. She noted that the Council doesn't have a copy of the MOU, so this is a first reading. Mr. Olander replied that usually the detailed MOU isn't provided, only

summarized. City Attorney Ian Sievers stated that he has reviewed it a couple times and made changes. He also stated that it is not required to have two readings because it is not an ordinance. Councilmember Way inquired if there will be any work done to prevent internet companies from selling these drugs. Mr. Pingrey communicated that the special agent in charge wants to make an impact locally first, then try to continue to move up the ladder and make a national impact. Councilmember Way agreed that that is a way of getting to source of the problem. Chief Pingrey said drug disposal is a different, but related issue. Dealers supplying these drugs sometimes do it through the internet, or a doctor's office, he explained.

Mr. Olander added that oftentimes the local agencies just deal with the local people. However, this is also a regional issue and this helps us address it locally and regionally. This is a way for the City of Shoreline to participate locally in the regional investigations.

A vote was taken on the motion to approve the MOU, which carried 6-0.

9. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:10 p.m., Deputy Mayor Scott declared the meeting adjourned.

Scott Passey, City Clerk