

**CITY OF SHORELINE**  
**SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL**  
**SUMMARY MINUTES OF BUSINESS MEETING**

Monday, July 26, 2010  
7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers - Shoreline City Hall  
17500 Midvale Avenue North

**PRESENT:** Mayor McGlashan, Deputy Mayor Hall, Councilmember Eggen, Councilmember McConnell, Councilmember Roberts, Councilmember Scott, and Councilmember Winstead

**ABSENT:** None

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

At 7:30 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Mayor McGlashan, who presided.

**2. FLAG SALUTE/ROLL CALL**

Mayor McGlashan led the flag salute. Upon roll call by the City Clerk, all Councilmembers were present.

**3. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER**

Bob Olander, City Manager, provided reports and updates on various City meetings, projects, and events.

**4. COUNCIL REPORTS**

Mayor McGlashan acknowledged that King County Executive Dow Constantine and King County Sheriff Sue Rahr met with the City Council earlier in the day.

Councilmember Eggen commented on the Solarfest event.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

a) Virginia Paulsen, Shoreline, felt that once the levy lid lift is approved, citizens and businesses may become bankrupt. She urged the City to consider staff salary cuts.

b) Bill Turner, Shoreline, expressed support for a levy lid lift, noting that he moved to Shoreline because of the school district, parks, recreation, the pool, the dog park, and other services.

c) Steve Matthews, Shoreline, commented that the Shoreline pool is great for his children and said it would be a strain to lose it. He favored the levy lid lift.

d) Lisa Pace, Shoreline, commented that she runs the arthritis hydrotherapy program at the Shoreline pool and favored the levy lid lift.

e) Bob Pfeiffer, Shoreline, favored the levy lid lift and allowing the citizens to vote on it.

f) Wendy DiPeso, Shoreline, said the levy lid lift fails to address the regressive tax system. She said the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) lobbies for cities and it is in the best interest of Shoreline and other cities to lobby for tax fairness as a long-term solution.

g) Carolyn Hope, Shoreline, served on the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) and communicated that the financial gap in the City's budget is a result of I-776 and I-747. She urged the Council to place it on the ballot for the citizens to decide in November.

f) Keirdwyn Cataldo, Shoreline, stated that the CAC proposed the levy lid lift as the best way to bridge the budget gap. Residents appreciate the gym, pool, parks, and senior center and are willing to pay more to have them.

h) Alban Dennis, Shoreline, commented that the Shoreline pool is more than a recreational place; it is essential and good for children.

i) Robin McClelland, Shoreline, discussed quality of life and the importance of feeling safe in Shoreline. She said she would be lost without the programs, arts & culture, and the Shoreline pool.

j) Kelsey Beck, Seattle, Food Lifeline, spoke on behalf of the Board of Directors of the North Urban Human Services Alliance and stated that levies help continue the high quality of life in cities like Shoreline.

**Upon motion by Councilmember Eggen, seconded by Councilmember Scott and carried 7-0, the public comment period was extended ten minutes.**

k) Jeff Lindstrom, Shoreline, said the City has fairly high property taxes and suggested a review of the \$1.5 million that the City has paid for health insurance since 2003. He urged the Council to look at expenses first before asking for more.

l) Olga Kazakova, Kirkland, discussed the Eastern European Counseling Center and said it is a great asset to the City.

m) Peter Davis, Shoreline, noted that the community will be affected if the children who currently go to Spartan Gym are no longer engaged in its programs or activities.

n) Melissa Gates, Shoreline, stated that her children use the Shoreline pool and she cannot imagine not having it in the community.

o) Diane Zevenbergen, Lake Forest Park, said the Shoreline pool is a vital facility and since Lake Forest Park cut their funding to the Shoreline pool, Shoreline should consider raising fees for non-residents.

p) Lisa Rajesh, Lake Forest Park, said the Shoreline pool is a great, affordable public facility for children. She concurred with the previous speaker in that she would be willing to pay more to utilize the pool.

## 6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

**Councilmember Scott moved approval of the agenda. Councilmember Winstead seconded the motion, which carried 7-0 and the agenda was approved.**

## 7. CONSENT CALENDAR

**Councilmember Scott moved approval of the Consent Calendar. Councilmember Eggen seconded the motion, which carried unanimously and the following items were approved:**

- (a) **Minutes of June 28, 2010 Business Meeting  
Minutes of July 6, 2010 Study Session**

- (b) **Approval of expenses and payroll as of July 16, 2010 in the amount of \$1,890,295.17 as described in the following detail:**

**\*Payroll and Benefits:**

<b>Payroll Period</b>	<b>Payment Date</b>	<b>EFT Numbers (EF)</b>	<b>Payroll Checks (PR)</b>	<b>Benefit Checks (AP)</b>	<b>Amount Paid</b>
6/13/10-6/26/10	7/2/2010	35217-35440	9942-9991	44167-44175	\$440,241.16
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**\*Accounts Payable Claims:**

<b>Expense Register Dated</b>	<b>Check Number (Begin)</b>	<b>Check Number (End)</b>	<b>Amount Paid</b>
7/7/2010	44111	44129	\$274,894.83
7/8/2010	44130	44135	\$165,812.14
7/8/2010	44136	44166	\$941,830.82
7/16/2010	44176	44176	\$53,756.22
7/16/2010	44177	44177	\$13,760.00
			<u>\$1,450,054.01</u>

- (c) **Motion to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement for the 2010 Emergency Management Performance Grant Funds**

- (d) **Motion to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement for Vehicle**

**Repair and Maintenance Services with the City of Mountlake Terrace**

**8. ACTION ITEM: PUBLIC HEARING**

(a) Public hearing to receive citizens' comments on the Proposed Use of 2011-12 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds; and adoption of the Proposed Funding Allocations

Rob Beem, Community Services Manager, provided the staff report on the proposed 2011-2012 Community Development Block Grant Funds and explained the proposed funding and application process. He reviewed local decisions and the City's human services plan goals and outlined the Allocations Committee recommendations and the services funded in 2009-2010.

Mayor McGlashan opened the public hearing.

a) Kelsey Beck, Seattle, on behalf of Food Lifeline, thanked the Council for past funding and recommended that it continue.

b) Laura Banks, Shoreline, said she volunteers for Food Lifeline because she believes hunger can be prevented. She thanked the City for supporting Food Lifeline.

c) Bob Lohmeyer, Seattle, Director of Shoreline/Lake Forest Park Senior Center, urged the Council to approve funding for the senior center and described their programs and activities.

Mayor McGlashan closed the public hearing.

Mr. Beem noted that there were some discrepancies in Attachment B, some agencies were missed, and there is a typographical error with the application. He replied to an additional question, stating that the Senior Center has been receiving additional emergency funds over the past three years which Mr. Olander explained could be addressed during the budget cycle.

**Deputy Mayor Hall moved to approve the 2011-12 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds and adopt the funding allocations. Councilmember Winstead seconded the motion, which carried 7-0.**

**9. ACTION ITEMS: OTHER ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND MOTIONS**

(a) Motion to adopt the Sunset Park and Boeing Creek Master Plans

Dick Deal, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Director, introduced Dave Buchan, Project Manager, Leanne Hofford and Lynn Houston from Friends of Sunset Park. Mr. Buchan outlined the proposed Master Plans for Sunset Park and Boeing Creek. He updated the Council on the City having to withdraw its application for the Sunset School Park site because they couldn't meet the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) grant requirements. He noted that the SSD Board reviewed the current plan and adopted it unanimously.

Lynn Houston noted that Friends of Sunset Park feel fortunate to work with SSD, the City, and the Pomegranate Center on this project and thanked the community, Dick Deal, and the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services Board.

Mr. Deal noted that Council approval will allow the City to enter into a Joint Use Agreement with SSD on Sunset Park and to work with the community on donations.

**Councilmember Winstead moved to adopt the Sunset Park and Boeing Creek Master Plans. Deputy Mayor Hall seconded the motion.**

Mr. Deal replied to inquiries from Council concerning timelines and stated that the current school building is a major obstacle that needs to be removed. He added that \$250,000 for school property from other funding mechanisms is available as a match for future grants. If the City is successful with the RCO, the projects will move faster; if not, the decision will be made on whether or not to phase the projects.

Councilmember Roberts noted that there is some capital fund money already budgeted for this. Mr. Deal added that those funds are from mitigation from Boeing Creek and the county trail levy.

**A vote was taken on the motion, which carried 7-0, and the Council approved the master plans for both parks according to Exhibits A and B.**

#### RECESS

Mayor McGlashan called a five minute break at 8:52 p.m. The Council meeting reconvened at 8:58 p.m.

(b) Resolution No. 307, placing a Property Tax Levy Lid Lift on the November 2, 2010 General Election Ballot

Debbie Tarry, Finance Director, and Bob Olander, City Manager, provided the staff report. Ms. Tarry explained that the reason the City is bringing forward a levy is because revenue sources are not keeping up with inflation. Resolution No. 307 puts the property tax levy lid lift on the ballot and allows the voters decide. This six-year levy increase starts in 2012 and is based on the Seattle CPI. The levy requires 50% +1 vote to pass.

**Councilmember Eggen moved adoption of Resolution No. 307, placing a Property Tax Levy Lid Lift on the November 2, 2010 General Election Ballot. Councilmember McConnell seconded the motion.**

Responding to Councilmember Eggen, Ms. Tarry announced that applications for the Pro and Con Committees will be available and posted publicly for residents to fill out and return to the City by August 3. Councilmember Eggen suggested not calling the measure Proposition 1 because it can be confused with the other measures from King County and other cities.

**Councilmember Winstead moved an amendment to revise the property tax levy lid lift to 30 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value. The motion died for lack of a second.**

Deputy Mayor Hall supported the original motion and said it is necessary to give the community a choice. He said he isn't willing to cut police, parks, schools, and human services while waiting for a state legislative solution to taxing. Councilmember Scott agreed with Deputy Mayor Hall and supported the item.

Councilmember Roberts said the current way the City funds services is unsustainable. He said he doesn't support the levy in its current form because there is language saying "maintain services" and the City cannot maintain services at this rate. He noted that if either I-1100 or I-1105 pass, the City experience a \$445,000 budget deficit. Based on this, the City won't be able to maintain services, he said. He felt the City can still make more cuts and raise fees to get the City to a balanced budget. He opposed this item.

Councilmember Winstead said there are challenges facing the City and variables that cannot be predicted. She agreed that the I-1100 prioritization of liquor sales could have another impact on the City's budget and that is why she wanted to amend the motion. She said this isn't going to balance the budget, but she supported the levy.

Councilmember Eggen supported this item. He agreed with Councilmember Roberts. However, he is supporting it because if the budget gaps are not closed the quality of life in Shoreline will suffer. He added that he is concerned about how the levy lid lift will affect low-income seniors and the business community. He noted that Shoreline does not have a B&O tax, the business license fees are modest, and that the gross property taxes are higher in Shoreline than some smaller cities due to special districts.

Councilmember McConnell supported the levy lid lift and hoped the citizens value the City's services enough to pass the measure.

Mayor McGlashan agreed with the majority of Council, adding that he doesn't agree with cutting services and using reserves.

**A vote was taken on the motion to adopt Resolution No. 307, which carried 6-1, with Councilmember Roberts dissenting.**

#### 10. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:40 p.m. Mayor McGlashan declared the meeting adjourned.

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Scott Passey, City Clerk