

CITY OF SHORELINE
SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL
SUMMARY MINUTES OF STUDY SESSION

Monday, May 16, 2011
7:00 p.m.

Council Chamber - Shoreline City Hall
17500 Midvale Avenue North

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

ABSENT: Mayor McGlashan

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 7:00 p.m., the meeting was called to order by Deputy Mayor Hall, who presided.

2. FLAG SALUTE/ROLL CALL

Deputy Mayor Hall led the flag salute. Upon roll call by the City Clerk, all Councilmembers were present with the exception of Mayor McGlashan.

Upon motion by Councilmember Winstead, seconded by Councilmember Roberts and carried 6-0, Mayor McGlashan was excused.

3. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT AND FUTURE AGENDAS

Julie Underwood, City Manager, provided reports and updates on various City meetings, projects, and events.

4. COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Winstead reported on the Suburban Cities Association (SCA) Public Issues Committee (PIC) meeting and the King County Metro Transit Plan and the King County Veterans Levy was discussed. She noted that the PIC also favored the King County Veterans Levy as passed by the King County Council for the upcoming ballot.

Councilmember Roberts pointed out that this year is a redistricting year and the Washington State Redistricting Commission is holding meetings in Bellevue and Everett next week.

Councilmember Eggen reported on the PIC meeting and stated there is an amendment to SCA's position on the King County Metro Transit Plan that was likely to cause debate when the time comes to vote on it. He stated that the SCA executive board modified the PIC's position and made it more flexible. However, after a two-hour phone meeting, the Regional Transit Committee decided to move it forward without addressing the problems. He said the Regional Transit Committee recommended that the SCA revisit the guidelines within a year and a half.

Deputy Mayor Hall reported on the King County Regional Policy Committee (KCRPC) meeting and they welcomed the new Consular General from the Republic of Korea. He stated he met with a representative of the Korean American Association of Washington State, which is looking for office space, possibly in Shoreline.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no one wishing to provide public comment.

6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon motion by Councilmember McConnell, seconded by Councilmember Winstead and unanimously carried, the agenda was approved.

7. STUDY ITEMS

(a) Library Board Update

Dick Deal, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Director, introduced Lynn Cheeney, Recreation Superintendent, and Tom Moran, Shoreline Library Board Chair, who provided an update on the activities of the King County Library System (KCLS) and those in Shoreline. Mr. Moran introduced the Library Board and discussed circulation, services, and library membership. He stated that the issues facing the KCLS are the future staffing model and the automated materials handling system. He also discussed the Richmond Beach Library Art Installation and the 2010 King County Library System Proposition #1.

Mr. Moran responded to an inquiry concerning the advantages and disadvantages of the new service model and said the library system was going for a technological way of operating and staffing. He noted that the Board is concerned that the public and the library staff was not informed about the specifics before it was implemented and that it reflects reduced staffing.

Councilmember Winstead verified with Mr. Moran that the pilot program has been operating for about a year, and the survey results would be evaluated by library staff and customers.

Mr. Moran provided a comparison of library usage in the past few years and concluded that library usage and demand continues to increase. He also noted that the relationship between the Library Board and KCLS is positive.

(b) Proposed 2011-2012 Council Goals and Workplan

Julie Underwood, City Manager, explained that the purpose of this item is to review the Council Goals and proposed objectives, including discussing the timing for adoption of the 2011-2012 Council Goals and Workplan. She outlined the proposed goals and requested Council feedback on the scope and timeline for adoption.

Councilmember Winstead commented on Goal #1 and was pleased to see the second bullet included. She said it accurately reflects the Council discussion from the last meeting.

Deputy Mayor Hall commented on Goal #2 and noted that working with Metro is critical and thanked Councilmember Eggen for his work. Councilmember Eggen stated that many of the goals tie together and this one ties in with Goal #4. He said the City should have a bus rapid transit system in a couple of years.

Councilmember Eggen commented on Goal #3, noting that business friendly regulations are important so business owners can get their businesses up and running quickly. He felt the process should be fast and predictable.

Councilmember Scott agreed with the Council Goals and said there is not much comment because Council discussed them at the Council Retreat. Ms. Underwood continued and commented on the efforts to engage businesses and change the perception that Shoreline is not a business friendly environment.

Councilmember McConnell communicated that Goal #3 is a very important goal for encouraging developers to consider Shoreline.

Councilmember Winstead commented on Goal #4. She reminded the Council that she expressed her concerns about the bus stop at the park -n- ride on Aurora Avenue at the meeting last week and is pleased that the bus has been rerouted.

Ms. Underwood said there would be a citizen academy added to Goal #5, which will help the community understand the different agencies in Shoreline. Councilmember Roberts added that Goal #5 has been modified several times, and positively noted that the item to expand the relationship with the Shoreline School District and Shoreline Community College has been removed from the goal because there have been major successes with the two organizations. He added that he would like to have more festivals and fairs in the future that support and grow the City's racial diversity.

Councilmember Eggen also commented that the City has strong ties with the Korean community and hopes to work with them more in the future.

Councilmember Winstead commented that the Council is very interested and there is a lot of energy around getting the public involved.

Deputy Mayor Hall commended the City staff on the concrete steps taken like the e-comment on the agenda. He discussed the *Currents* newsletter and said communication is an area where the City can always do more.

Deputy Mayor Hall commented on Goal #6 and stated the Shoreline Health Walk was a good event. Councilmember Eggen said that he suggested this three years ago and thanked Councilmember Winstead for organizing this goal.

Councilmember Eggen commented on Goal #7 and commended the City staff for their work. Deputy Mayor Hall explained that there are several steps to accomplish this goal. He explained the importance and reasoning why this goal is listed.

Councilmember Roberts communicated that many of the goals are long-term and the City staff is working hard on them because eventually most of them will be removed and replaced. Ms. Underwood communicated that they are published on the City Council's website. She also noted that Aldercrest should be added as an accomplishment.

8. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:58 p.m., Deputy Mayor Hall declared the meeting adjourned.

Scott Passey, City Clerk