

CITY OF SHORELINE
SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL
SUMMARY MINUTES OF WORKSHOP DINNER MEETING

Monday, April 9, 2012
5:45 p.m.

Conference Room 104 - Shoreline City Hall
17500 Midvale Avenue N.

PRESENT: Mayor McGlashan, Deputy Mayor Eggen, and Councilmembers Hall
McConnell, Roberts, Salomon, and Winstead

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Julie Underwood, City Manager; Ian Sievers, City Attorney; John Norris,
Management Analyst; Ronald F. Moore, Deputy City Clerk

At 5:45 p.m., the meeting was called to order by Mayor McGlashan, who presided.

Julie Underwood, City Manager provided an update on Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) negotiations.

Councilmember Hall arrived at 6:05 p.m.

Ms. Underwood introduced the topic of the dinner meeting, which was Council operations.

The Council and staff discussed the posting of meeting notices at the libraries. There was Council consensus that the staff recommendation to post the meeting notices online and on the City Hall bulletin board at least twenty- four hours in advance of a special meeting met the requirements of the Public Meetings Act.

Council discussed changing all regular meetings to business meetings. There was consensus that this would simplify the meetings and make it easier for the public, as they would not have to track two different types of meetings any longer. Nor would the City staff have to advertise for two different types of meetings or have to change a “Study Session” into a “Special Meeting” when Council needs to take action on an item. Council directed the City staff to prepare a resolution and have this item on a future Council meeting agenda for Council adoption.

There was discussion pertaining to the incorporating of board appointment procedures into Council Rules. The eight procedures were reviewed and an administrative change was suggested to procedure #4 which was to change the word “shall” to “may”. Council gave the City staff direction on this item.

Ms. Underwood introduced the public comment item for Council discussion. There was a brief discussion pertaining to having a “pro” “con” format to public comment. The Council discussed various topics to include informing the City Manager which “expert” testimony the Council wants to hear at meetings and not getting, taking, responding to, and asking questions of the persons giving public comment. Councilmembers Hall, Winstead, and Roberts felt the process of public comment is currently working. However, Councilmember Roberts felt the speakers feel that their questions will be responded to after public comment. The Council agreed that there should be an acknowledgment by the Council or City Manager that the speaker will have their question responded to by the City staff. There was Council consensus to have the City staff prepare a staff report with draft rules concerning obtaining “experts” for discussion at a future Council meeting.

The Council then discussed representation on regional/national committees, including the current level of representation and expressed need to be on the Sound Transit Board. There was agreement that the City needs to market the City’s position on the Lynnwood Link Project and what the City of Shoreline desires for light rail.

At 6:55 p.m., Mayor McGlashan declared the meeting adjourned.

Ronald F. Moore, Deputy City Clerk