

CITY OF SHORELINE

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

Monday, December 3, 2012
7:00 p.m.

Council Chamber - Shoreline City Hall
17500 Midvale Avenue North

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

ABSENT: Councilmember McConnell

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 7:00 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 with the exceptions of Councilmember McConnell and Councilmember Roberts. Councilmember Roberts was expected to arrive late.

Upon motion by Councilmember Winstead, seconded by Councilmember Hall and carried 5-0, Councilmember McConnell was excused.

3. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER

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

4. COUNCIL REPORTS

Deputy Mayor Eggen reported on the Mayor's transportation meeting he attended on the Mayor's behalf. Mayor McGlashan provided a brief report on the National League of Cities (NLC) conference.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

a) Garry Lingerfelt, Shoreline, commented on the positive aspects of the City Shoreline and his neighborhood.

6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon motion by Councilmember Hall, seconded by Councilmember Winstead and carried 5-0, the agenda was approved.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon motion by Councilmember Hall, seconded by Deputy Mayor Eggen and carried 5-0, the following Consent Calendar items were approved:

- (a) Minutes of Special Meeting of November 13, 2012
Minutes of Business Meeting of November 13, 2012**
- (b) Adoption of Resolution No. 335 Updating the Transportation Master Plan**
- (c) Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Obligate \$371,950 of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Funds for the NE 195th Separated Trail Project**
- (d) Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Obligate \$350,000 of Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Grant funds for the Traffic Signal Rehabilitation Program**
- (e) Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Obligate \$190,229 of Surface Transportation Program (STP) Grant funds for the N 175th Street Overlay Preservation project**
- (f) Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Obligate \$246,054 of Surface Transportation Program (STP) Grant funds for the N Westminster Way N Overlay Preservation project**

8. STUDY ITEMS

- (a) Discussion of 2013 Federal Funding Priorities**

Ms. Underwood discussed the pending sale of the King County maintenance facility.

Scott MacColl, Intergovernmental Relations Manager, provided the staff report on the Federal Funding Priorities, which are a strategic, opportunistic, and thematic approach around economic development, transit-oriented development (TOD), and infrastructure.

The Council discussed the proposed priorities as well as the approach and strategy for furthering Shoreline's goals with federal funding. The Council discussed 145th Street/185th Street light rail station, 175th Street, 185th Street Center/Shoreline Center, the Aurora Square redevelopment, and the City's infrastructure in general. Mark Relph, Public Works Director, joined the conversation when the topic turned to transportation interchanges. Responding to Council questions, Mr. MacColl noted that the term "City infrastructure" is a catch-all and can be applied to parks improvements, city pools, a community center, a bridge, or individual, longer-term things that don't fall into specific categories. There was general agreement to keep a broad list of projects to

provide the City staff with flexibility. Mr. MacColl concluded that while the projects are fairly large, they will be broken down into smaller units in order to be competitive for funding.

(b) Discussion of Mini-Grant Programs

Debbie Tarry, Assistant City Manager, was joined at the staff presentation table by Nora Smith, Neighborhoods Coordinator, and Rika Cecil, Environmental Programs Manager.

Councilmember Roberts arrived at 7:50 p.m.

Ms. Smith provided a report on the neighborhoods mini-grant program. She reviewed the types of grants and suggested improvements to the neighborhood mini-grants, such as delegating approval to the City Manager, establishing criteria, changing from a 1:1 to 1:2 match ratio to make it easier for neighborhoods to qualify, and having the grant review done by a cross-department team with one community member. Ms. Tarry clarified that staff is not recommending expansion to a community grant program. The Council asked questions and provided feedback and suggestions for how a revised mini-grant program would look. Councilmembers and staff made the following points during the course of the discussion:

- The match and the approval authority should be changed to encourage more applications.
- The City should revisit the type of projects that are eligible for mini-grant funding.
- The goal shouldn't necessarily be to make sure all the money is spent every year.
- The Council should be accountable and make the decision about who receives grants.
- Adding criteria could make the match stronger if applications get more competitive or the application deadline is held quarterly.
- If the Council is not the final approval authority, it should at least be notified about approvals.
- Funding should be carried over into the next fiscal year if needed.
- A final recommendation will be brought to the Council for approval in January 2013.

Ms. Cecil then provided a report on the environmental mini-grant program. She noted that \$15,000 comes from the general fund and \$20,000 comes from the surface water fund. Twenty-eight projects have been awarded since 2006, and the projects must address issues such as water quality and habitat restoration. She noted that the 2013 budget redirects \$20,000 of the surface water funding to a surface water management low impact development program. The Council then commented on the environmental mini-grant program. Councilmembers and staff made the following points during the course of the discussion:

- The school district will be getting a credit for their surface water fees by meeting certain requirements, which cannot be funded through a mini-grant.
- Projects funded by environmental mini-grants should not necessarily benefit individual people personally but instead should benefit the public or community as a whole.

Ms. Tarry then commented on the business mini-grant program, noting that staff recommends the City pursue a business and artist collaboration program. She explained the process, purposes, and outlined the types of projects that would qualify for such grants. Councilmembers provided the following comments:

- The restaurant reviews item in the staff report could pose some problems for the City.
- Art should be functional, and the City must avoid spending money on ventures that aren't utilized or near businesses that fail.
- The purpose of the program is not to pay people for a musical performance at a bar or other business. However, it could be used for a joint project sponsored by the tenants of a strip mall.
- Although Shoreline's proposal is based on the Irrigate Arts program in Minneapolis, the intent is to use criteria that make sense for Shoreline.
- Dan Eernisse, Economic Development Director, will return to the Council at a later date to discuss place-making.
- The proposed program should not benefit businesses individually.
- The Council needs more discussion about the criteria when this item returns in January.
- The Council can design the program however it wants because it's a pilot program and other local cities may have done something similar.

9. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:51 p.m., Mayor McGlashan declared the meeting adjourned.

Scott Passey, City Clerk