

CITY OF SHORELINE
SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL
SUMMARY MINUTES OF BUSINESS MEETING

Monday, March 2, 2015
7:00 p.m.

Council Chambers - Shoreline City Hall
17500 Midvale Avenue North

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

ABSENT: None

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. FLAG SALUTE/ROLL CALL

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

3. REPORT OF CITY MANAGER

Debbie Tarry, City Manager, provided reports and updates on various City meetings, projects and events.

4. COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Winstead commented on meeting with Seattle Mayor Ed Murray and Councilmembers Tim Burgess, Tom Rasmussen and Sally Bagshaw and discussing partnering on Sound Transit Lightrail, King County Metro Service, 145th Street Redevelopment, and other projects.

- (a) Appointment of the Council Subcommittee Interview Panel for Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services/Tree Board Applicants

Mayor Winstead announced that the PRCS /Tree Board has three positions expiring at the end of March 2015. She explained that according to the Council Rules of Procedure, Councilmembers Hall and McGlashan, and Mayor Winstead have been appointed to the ad hoc subcommittee/interview committee.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Dan Kaopuiki, Shoreline resident, spoke about why he selected Shoreline as the place to retire. He asked about the definition of MUR-35 regarding business activities; what a “local street” is; and about R-6 zoning changes.

Karen Gilbertson, Shoreline resident, provided history of the area around 185th Street and 10th Avenue and shared that the area used to be a loitering place for young kids and crime, including a murder. She commented on a fire in Ridgecrest, the murder of a cashier, and on the City wanting more businesses in neighborhoods. She asked why there are plans for mass density, and if the City has a sustainability plan.

Debbie Kellogg, Shoreline resident, read an excerpt on target audience propaganda written by Adolph Hitler. She asked how economic development can provide more services. She then recalled a tractor-trailer accident on her street, and related it to a gentleman who had an accident on a trail that was never fixed.

Wendy DiPeso, Shoreline resident, commented that photos she shared at the last Council meeting are a direct result of a Subarea rezone and that developers are creating blight and lowering property values. She is encouraged by Councilmember Roberts’ recommendation to concentrate rezoning closest to the Station.

Norm McFarland, Shoreline resident, expressed anger over the rezone plan and commented that it will destroy neighborhoods. He asked Council to rescind the vote on the 185th Street Station Subarea Plan. He provided an example of traffic issues on Meridian from 185th to 205th and stated adding more apartments would make it worse.

Dan Jacoby, Shoreline resident, commented that a connecting corridor cannot be created by tall buildings and that it will defeat the purpose of transit oriented development, and explained why. He asked Council to put off the final decision on the 185th Street Station Subarea Plan.

Janet Way, Shoreline Preservation Society, commented on the formation of the 145th Route Development Plan Task Force and expressed concern that members have already been selected and meetings have taken place. She commented on the lack of transparency and lack of information on the City’s website about the Task Force. She also expressed concern over the technical difficulties experienced at City Council and Planning Commission meetings, and asked if the February 23, 2015 Council Meeting can be rebroadcast. She thanked Park Staff for returning SPS signs.

John Kropf, Shoreline resident, commented on traffic congestion on 145th Street, and shared that Sound Transit Light Rail will only add to the problem and incur billions of dollars in debt. He commented on documents he submitted to Council regarding the NASA program.

John Behrens, Shoreline resident, entered a map into record that shows Ronald Bog and the headwaters of Thornton Creek. He read the definition of ‘insanity’, shared that decisions do not need to be made right now regarding the future of Shoreline, and asked Council to back up and include citizens in their decision making.

Les Nelson, Shoreline resident, commented on how Council worked through the Light Rail Station Subarea Plan Map last week. He questioned if Council understands the meaning of connecting corridor, and asked if it could be sent back to the Planning Commission to define.

Dan Dale, Shoreline resident, commented on protecting park space, creating more green space, and opportunities to have another neighborhood park. He pointed out that Rotary Park at 10th Avenue and 185th and the parcel next to it can serve as the new park, and added the City would only need to partner with one entity to make it happen.

Julie Houff, Lake Forest Park, commented that there does not seem to be an example of how to execute the Plan. She expressed having trouble understanding how large buildings create community, and is concerned about people feeling like they are going to be pushed out or encroached upon by the taller buildings.

Elaine Phelps, Shoreline resident, read an email from Councilmember Hall dated July 22, 2012. She spoke about Councilmembers supporting growth and their indifference to the wishes of the community. She commented on Shoreline remaining as small as it is while complying with the Growth Management Act.

Ms. Tarry provided the definition of a local street and said the definition of MUR-35 and the type of allowances that can be made in that zoning area can be provided. She shared that the trail the speaker referenced earlier is part of a project that will be paved this year, and explained that, in the interim, it was made more stable until the actual paving of the trail can be completed. She commented on the technical difficulties experienced at the City Council and Planning Commission meetings, explained the issues have been addressed, and shared that the City Council Meeting can be seen in its entirety on the City's website. She reviewed community outreach for the 145th Street Route Development Plan Task Force and stated meeting notices will be posted on the City's website.

6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted by unanimous consent.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Eggen, seconded by Councilmember McConnell and unanimously carried, the following Consent Calendar items were approved:

(a) Minutes of Special Meeting of February 2, 2015 and Minutes of Special Meeting of February 9, 2015

(b) Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract with PRR, Inc. to Create a Marketing Campaign Promoting the City of Shoreline

8. STUDY ITEMS

(a) Sound Cities Association (SCA) Public Issues Committee (PIC) Position on the Committee to End Homelessness Draft Strategic Plan

Scott MacColl, Intergovernmental Relations Manager, provided background on SCA PIC Policy Position Committee to End Homelessness Draft Strategic Plan. He reported on the increase in homelessness, and stated that the one night homeless count shows that homelessness in Shoreline increased by 21% over the previous year. He reviewed the three goals of the Plan are to make homelessness rare, to make homelessness brief and one time, and to locally build a community to end homelessness. He asked for policy direction regarding the Plan.

Councilmember Roberts referenced a memo from the SCA Staff and pointed out six strategies that could impact cities if the Plan was adopted. He commented on the Plan setting overriding goals for the City of Shoreline and expressed that he does not believe there are any problems with the Plan. He noted a need to strengthen the role of cities on the board.

Councilmember Hall agreed that the strategies are aligned with the City's goals and priorities of the community, and appreciates that the Shoreline Municipal Code would not need to be updated. He commented on the Plan being ambitious, and supports renewing Council's commitment to end homelessness.

Deputy Mayor Eggen expressed concern that the Plan would require Shoreline to adjust current shelter capacity, and stated if that is the case, he wants a deliberative process with community input. Mr. MacColl commented that it is more aspirational and that SCA is only requesting endorsement of the Plan.

Councilmember McGlashan stated support for the Plan as written and commented on Seattle's Plan to tackle homelessness. He discussed Strategy Plan 1.A and commented on regional benefits that can be assessed by people from Shoreline.

Councilmember Roberts discussed that SCA's memo describes how the Plan would be aimed at making human services available in South King County where there is a large population with an AMI of 30% or less.

Mayor Winstead commented that she is in favor of supporting the Plan and whatever can be done to reduce homelessness.

9. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:56 p.m., Mayor Winstead declared the meeting adjourned.

Jessica Simulcik Smith, City Clerk