

CITY OF SHORELINE
SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL
SUMMARY MINUTES OF BUSINESS MEETING

Monday, October 5, 2015
7:00 p.m.

Council Chambers - Shoreline City Hall
17500 Midvale Avenue North

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

ABSENT: Mayor Winstead

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. FLAG SALUTE/ROLL CALL

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

Councilmember McConnell moved to excuse Mayor Winstead for personal reasons. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Salomon and passed unanimously, 6-0.

Deputy Mayor Eggen read a proclamation declaring October 15, 2015 as Great Shakeout Day in the City of Shoreline. Chuck Goodwin, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Shoreline School District, accepted the Proclamation. He said the District has been participating in the Washington State Great Shakeout for the past four years and stressed the importance of earthquake preparedness. He stated he is proud that the City is taking up this measure and looks forward to partnering with the City on this endeavor.

3. REPORT OF CITY MANAGER

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

Councilmember McGlashan questioned why the Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services/Tree Board is meeting at Shoreline Community College (SCC). Ms. Tarry responded that the Board is utilizing one of SCC's Conference Rooms to hold a retreat.

4. COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Roberts reported attending the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Legislative Committee Meeting. He said AWC is looking ahead to the next Legislative Session

and is concerned about funding for infrastructure investments especially with the scrutiny that the Public Works Trust Fund is receiving. He said they are looking for alternative options, and he shared that affordable housing will also be an AWC top priority for next year. He also reported attended the Puget Sound Regional Council Growth Management Policy Board Meeting and commented that several cities received conditional certifications for their Comprehensive Plan, primarily for not having appropriate growth targets. He said there was also a question on what to do with cities that have set their targets higher than County targets.

Councilmember Hall reported attending the AWC Board Meeting and said they talked about the Legislative Agenda and working on get infrastructure funding. He reported attending a Transit Oriented Development Workshop in Redmond and said Miranda Redinger, Senior Planner, presented on Shoreline's station area planning. He said, as an elected official, he presented on the City's relationship with Sound Transit. He also reported attending a Thornton Creek Alliance Meeting and said he talked about station area planning and restoration of Thornton Creek. He also said he attended Shoreline Community College's 50th Anniversary celebration.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Michelle Moyes, Shoreline resident, said Seattle City Light came to her house to discuss trimming trees, but she did not understand what they were planning to trim. She said an arborist told her that they were not sure why SCL needed to cut her trees because they are not threatening power lines.

Lance Young, Interurban Trail Tree Society, said they have a meeting set up with SCL and provided Councilmembers a copy of the meeting agenda. He said they are making progress about the redefinition of "less than significant" trees, and he spoke about minimum pruning clearances recommended by SCL as compared to those used in other jurisdictions. He submitted a petition with signatures for the preservation of trees and a nature study on birds and how they correlate to housing value.

Patty Pfeifer, Shoreline resident, recalled that SCL commented at a previous Council Meeting that removing vegetation would reduce crime. She said she found studies that report the opposite and read excerpts from a study by Dr. Katherine Wolf stating that vegetation reduces crime.

Lynn Horn, Shoreline resident, commented that the primary goal of the Council is to strengthen the City's economic base and said that trees and parks are the City's assets. She asked the City to keep SCL to their agreements.

6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

(a) Minutes of Business Meeting of August 24, 2015 and Minutes of Business Meeting of August 31, 2015

8. ACTIONS ITEMS

(a) Public Hearing and Discussion of Ord. No. 726 - Assumption of Shoreline Transportation Benefit District

Alex Herzog, Management Analyst, reviewed the four step process to assume the Transportation Benefit District (TBD) and said the first step was completed with Council's adoption of Resolution No. 376 on September 14. He noted that at the meeting a member of the public questioned whether assumption of the TBD by the City would hinder the ability to have a joint TBD with another jurisdiction or limit the City's ability to implement tolling. He reported that the City Attorney has advised that the Assumption would not prohibit these options. He said the next step in the process is to hold a Public Hearing, which is scheduled for tonight, and he discussed the action. He said final action is scheduled for Oct. 19. He reviewed that the assumption would:

- Promote efficiency in government operation
- Eliminate separate insurance premium payment for the District
- Eliminate separate audit and payment for State audits
- Eliminate potential public confusion
- Assume the rights, powers, functions and obligations of the TBD

At 7:32 p.m. Deputy Mayor Eggen opened the Public Hearing.

Tom McCormick, Shoreline, resident said he previously commented that assumption of the TBD would jeopardize the City's ability to work with Woodway. He explained that after talking with staff he feels comfortable that the City will retain the same authority. He spoke about the importance of working with Woodway to implement tolling and said he has no objections to the City's assumption of the TBD.

At 7:37 p.m. Deputy Mayor Eggen closed the Public Hearing.

Councilmember McGlashan clarified that this action would not end auditing of the TBD. Mr. Herzog responded that it would not.

9. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:39 p.m., Deputy Mayor Eggen declared the meeting adjourned.

Jessica Simulcik Smith, City Clerk