CITY OF SHORELINE

SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL SUMMARY MINUTES OF BUSINESS MEETING

Monday, November 30, 2015 Council Chambers - Shoreline City Hall 7:00 p.m. 17500 Midvale Avenue North

<u>PRESENT</u>: 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

There were no Council Reports.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Brad Lancaster, Shoreline resident, said last week he asked Council to declare homelessness as an emergency in Shoreline. He thanked Council for allocating funds to homelessness in the 2016 Budget. He shared that homelessness should be declared as an emergency in Shoreline to support Seattle, King County, Portland, Hawaii and Los Angeles; to make changes to zoning code; and because it is a moral imperative to care for the homeless. He asked Council to suspend zoning enforcement that effect homeless people from December through March 2016, and encouraged everyone to treat the homeless with the respect that they deserve.

Aaron Ervin, Shoreline, said that he is homeless and trying to do everything he can to change his situation. He shared that he struggles with being judged, and explained that there are many reasons why people are homeless. He asked that people talk to homeless people to get a better

understanding of their situation, and suggested that people come together to create programs to end homelessness.

Janet Way, Shoreline Preservation Society, talked about hearing important discussions at the City Council Workshop Dinner Meetings, and said in some instances a consensus was reached. She commented that Council decisions are supposed to be made in open public meetings. She shared that Councilmembers and staff made good comments on important matters that people who live in the area would like to hear. She said substantive discussions should be in the Council Chamber and televised, and that it is unfair for the public not to have an opportunity to make public comment.

Elaine Phelps, Shoreline resident, read a Seattle Times article about the mental restoration benefits of being exposed to nature. She expressed concern that the rezone will prevent backyards from having nature. She asked that greenery and tree canopies in the rezone areas not be destroyed. She submitted the article for the record.

6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- a) Minutes of Business Meeting of October 26, 2015
- b) Approval of an Interlocal Funding Agreement with King County for LiDAR Acquisition
- 8. STUDY ITEMS
 - a) Discussion of Ord. Nos. 732 and 733 Amendments to Title 12 Streets, Sidewalks and Public Spaces

Tricia Juhnke, City Engineer, provided an overview of Ordinance No. 732 and Ordinance No. 733. She stated Ordinance No. 732 amends SMC 12.10 providing authority for approval of the Engineering Development Manual and Bridge Load Limits. She said Ordinance No.733 amends SMC 12.40 revising Transportation Impact Fee increases to utilize the Washington Department of Transportation's Construction Cost Index three year average, and clarifies the appeals process.

b) Discussion and Update of Jail Services Contracts

Alex Herzog, Management Analyst, introduced Ed Campbell, Director of Yakima County Jail. Mr. Herzog reported that jail costs are increasing due to daily rates and activity levels. He reviewed daily rates for King County, SCORE, and Yakima, and jail cost and activity levels. He

stated that staff's recommendation is to house inmates with sentences greater than 3 days at Yakima County Jail; amend the SCORE contract to a lower guaranteed number of beds; not house sentenced inmates at Snohomish County Jail; and discontinue prosecuting Driving While License Suspended 3rd Degree (DWLS3).

Mr. Herzog explained that housing for sentenced inmates typically require less frequent access to Counsel, and shared that access can be accommodate if needed. He conveyed that staff reached out to public defense firms and learned that they are not concerned about the distance in providing defense. Mr. Herzog shared that inmate transportation will be provided by Yakima County Jail.

Ed Campbell, Director of Yakima County Corrections, commented that inmates can have access to family and friends through the telephone system. He said a video system for visitation of individuals outside of Yakima is coming in January or February. He said online services for Professional (attorneys) visitation will be available in December. He shared that the Yakima Jail has a full medical department and provides medical intake physicals and mental health screenings. He listed the Jail's credentials and certifications. He stated that 700-750 beds are currently in use and that the jail capacity is 953.

Mr. Herzog advised that if Council proceeds with Yakima County Jail that the SCORE contract will need to be amended. He then provided negotiated 2016 Jail Rates, and said adoption to proceed with a contract with Yakima County Jail is scheduled for the December 14, 2015 City Council Meeting.

Councilmembers asked about costs, potential savings to the City, and questioned why prices at Yakima Jail are remaining the same as last year. Mr. Herzog responded that \$200,000 is the projected savings for the Yakima Contract. Mr. Campbell shared that he was brought in to deconstruct the Jail after losing the King County Consortium Contract, and said that with applied management principals and keeping cost down, they are able to keep the price the same as last year. He said that he does anticipate a 3-5% rate increase at the end of 2016. Councilmembers asked what credentials professionals performing mental health screenings possess and about the 14-day physical. Mr. Campbell responded that the mental health professions are certified, act under the supervision of a psychiatrist, and have a master's degree or higher. He explained that everyone booked in the Jail gets a physical within 14 days of incarceration.

Councilmembers asked what the telephone call daily rate is, if visitation costs are incurred by the family, and if other facilities have in person visitations. Mr. Campbell responded that the telephone rate is less than three dollars for 15 minutes. He shared that there is no cost to visit the Jail, but said family members would have to bear travel costs. He said that the Yakima Jail can offer supervised contact visits and that the most common visitation occurs between glass.

Councilmember Roberts expressed concern with sending inmates under the responsibility of Shoreline across the mountains. He said he is concerned that there is no in-person visitation and shared that he would like to keep inmates closer to their families.

Councilmember Hall said he shares Councilmember Roberts' concern and recalled that a correctional facility was to be built locally, but said that did not happen. He commented that given the two hundred thousand dollar price differential, he supports moving forward with staff's proposal. Mayor Winstead, Deputy Mayor Eggen and Councilmembers McGlashan and McConnell also communicated their support to move forward with the Yakima Jail contact.

Mayor Winstead stated she shares the concern over housing inmates in Yakima. She said she is happy to hear about video visitation calls and that she supports staff's recommendation as the City wrestles to tackle other issues like homelessness. Deputy Mayor Eggen commented that it would be ideal to have inmates housed locally for visitation but said he is cognizant that there are limits on the City's budget. He said that this is a good compromise and the right thing to do right now. He suggested having a rating for jails to make sure prisoners are being served adequately.

c) Discussion and Update of Metro Long Range Plan

Nytasha Sowers, Transportation Services Manager, introduced Lisa Shafer, Transportation Planner with King County Metro. Ms. Shafer explained that Metro is in the beginning stages of creating a Long Range Plan. She explained the goals are to plan for a growing region by coordinating growth, providing access for all, and having regional coordination. She discussed Metro's regional coordination planning efforts and pointed out that they have been working with Sound Transit to integrate planning. She identified agency partnerships, planning timelines, and reviewed the outreach process. She said Metro anticipates having the Long Range Plan completed in June 2016.

Ms. Shafer stated that Metro is currently in the alternative phase and explained that the concepts being analyzed are Frequent Service; Express Service; and Local Service. She commented on the goal of building a tailored network by getting feedback from cities and the public. She shared feedback received from North King County include: wanting improved connections between centers and high capacity transit; improving services on State Route 522; adding more Park & Rides; creating better east/west connections; adding transit connections into Snohomish County; and adding transit services to developing town centers. She presented a map developed by Metro from the feedback provided. She reviewed the next steps are to have a draft preliminary concept review and public outreach in the spring.

Ms. Shafer explained that Metro wants to understand Shoreline's vision for transit, including what service characteristics are wanted and what the City is attempting to accomplish with the service.

Ms. Sowers commented that working with Metro's Technical Advisory Committee has been a positive and transparent process, and shared her appreciation for the tools they have been able to look at. She reviewed that Shorelines' key service considerations are Convenience/Accessibility; Affordability; Frequency; Reliability; and Travel Time. She reviewed Shoreline's current service, proposed service, recommendations that support the Transportation Master Plan, and proposed service modifications. She asked Council to provide confirmation on whether staff is providing the right feedback to Metro and she presented the next steps in the process.

Councilmember Hall commented that he appreciates King County Executive Dow Constantine's commitment to integrate Metro and Sound Transit. He said he looks forward to seeing this level of commitment of coordination between Metro and Community Transit to support the City's Plan of a single ride across county boundaries. He questioned if requesting an express bus to the University of Washington (UW) is still a priority since Light Rail will be going there. He shared that it is great to see east to west connections in the Plan, and said he would like to minimize residents taking two buses within Shoreline to get to the Light Rail Station.

Councilmember Roberts commented that it is hard to tell how well the routes on the map connect to the Light Rail Stations. He agreed that there is no need for an express bus to UW as long as there is Light Rail.

Councilmember Salomon commented that it is important to connect to Light Rail, to keep long range bus routes connecting to Greenwood, and to have frequent east to west connections to the Light Rail Stations.

Deputy Mayor Eggen said he appreciates cities now being able to participate in transportation planning. He commented that it is an aspirational Plan that needs additional funding. He pointed out that Metro is defining "express" differently and that it is now being used for all day routes.

Mayor Winstead asked about the coordination of the Long Range Plan. She questioned the timing of ending bus service and beginning the light rail service. She stated that she would like to see the local service connectivity addressed before Light Rail starts and agrees that an express bus to UW is not needed since there will be Light Rail.

Ms. Sowers summarized that Council would like to take another look at redundant services and a visual aid to see how buses will connect to the Stations.

Councilmember Roberts requested seeing where all buses go, and Councilmember Hall requested seeing all the areas within Shoreline that are a quarter mile of a one bus trip to the Stations.

9. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:48 p.m., Mayor Winstead declared the meeting adjourned.
Jessica Simulcik Smith, City Clerk