

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

Monday, March 14, 2016  
7:00 p.m.

Council Chambers - Shoreline City Hall  
17500 Midvale Avenue North

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

ABSENT: None

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. FLAG SALUTE/ROLL CALL

Mayor Roberts introduced Boy Scout Troup 853 who presented the flags and lead Councilmembers in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Councilmember Scully reported on attending the Convening of Cities Meeting on homelessness, along with Debbie Tarry, City Manager; Robert Beem, Community Services Manager; and Troy Olmstead, Police Operations Captain. He shared that there is agreement that homelessness requires a regional solution and suggested that Shoreline may need to take a leading role in the process.

Mayor Roberts reported attending the National League of Cities Conference in Washington D.C., along with Councilmembers McConnell, Hall, and McGlashan, Debbie Tarry, City Manager and Scott MacColl, Intergovernmental Relations Manager. He shared that they met with Shoreline's Federal Delegation and received a great response regarding the inclusion of the 145<sup>th</sup> Street Corridor in ST3. He reported that he participated in a Community Development Block Grant discussion, and attended a presentation on the legal climate for local governments and a panel discussion on Vision Zero on reducing traffic fatalities to zero.

Mayor Roberts, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, extended congratulations to the King's School Varsity Basketball Team for winning the 1A Division State Basketball Championship, and to the Shorecrest Girls Basketball Team for winning the 2A Division State Basketball Championship.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Kevin Osborn, Hopelink, explained that the need for social services continues to increase. He shared that providing help with rising rent, increased utilities, program costs, and contract services will help to combat the increases. He stated that Hopelink supports increasing Human Services funding until it reaches 1% of General Fund Revenue.

Tanya Laskelle, Center for Human Services, stated that their Clinical and Family Support programs served 702 Shoreline residents and 101 of those residents were homeless. She reported 109 youth participated in out-of-school youth programs, and 4,910 hours of behavioral health counselling was provided to Shoreline residents. She urged Councilmembers to support increasing Human Services funding by .75% of General Fund Revenue in 2017 and 1% in 2022.

Bob Lohmeyer, Director of Shoreline/Lake Forest Park Senior Center, commented that it was informative to see how the City of Shoreline's funding compares to other cities and encouraged Council to adopt staff's funding recommendations. He commented that the Senior Center is seeing an increase in homeless seniors, and then shared stories about a homeless woman and a homeless youth from Shoreline.

Megan Kogut, Shoreline resident, explained that Shoreline might lose business if business owners are unable to pay a Transportation Impact Fee (TIF). She commented that letters have been sent to Council from other business owners regarding the proposed TIF Ordinance.

Michael Ernst, Hemlock State Brewing Company, commented that they would not be able to pay the current TIF or a partial exemption of 50%, and would need to look at locating their business in a surrounding community.

Dan Jacoby, Shoreline resident, spoke about implementing a minimum wage increase in Shoreline. He commented that a higher minimum wage improves employee stability and will help people afford to live in Shoreline. He announced that the 32<sup>nd</sup> Legislative District Democratic Organization Members voted unanimously in favor of a resolution calling on Shoreline to raise its minimum wage. He provided a copy of his comments and the resolution for the record.

Judy Parsons, North Urban Human Service Alliance, expressed support for increasing Human Services funding to .75% percent of General Fund Revenues in 2017 and to 1% in 2022, moving the Senior Center's operational funding to the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services' operational budget, and prioritizing "Basic Need" and "Counseling". She said the change of funding for Human Services affirms the City's support to residents in need.

Ginny Scantlebury, Shoreline resident, commented that she would like to see as much funding as possible for the Senior Center. She said she works as a volunteer at the Senior Center, is now on

the Senior Center Advisory Board, and has witnessed so many people get help there. She expressed that the new funding proposal would provide a secure funding system and noted that the Center anticipates having 1,200 members in 2016.

Rhonda Gardner, Shoreline resident, asked why citizens should vote if things are still done after the people have voted no. She commented that there are more taxes and people are being taxed out of their homes. She asked Council to consider funding options that will not lead to more homelessness, welfare, and drug users.

Laura Mork, Shoreline resident, talked about recently losing electrical power and stated she would like to see the Forever Green website updated.

Tom McCormick, Shoreline resident, commented that he strongly supports a 100% TIF exemption for all businesses. He commented that the TIF is a showstopper and that Shoreline should be bringing businesses into the City and not turning them away. He recommended that Council either bring down expenses or find other revenue sources. He made a technical point regarding the resolution and offered suggestions to correct it.

Homayoun Farange, Shoreline resident, commented that he purchased a home in Shoreline and demoed it to build a new house. He explained that there is no stormwater or surface water plan for his home or the neighborhood. He relayed that the City has informed him that it has higher priority projects to work on and he asked the City to expedite this matter.

Richard Shilling, Richmond Beach resident, commented that Smart Meters cause utility bills to increase. He said his research shows that the Meters are sensitive and record things the old meters did not. He stated they are putting smart meters in “dumb” homes. He commented that the Meters are combustible and will require a Rider on the policy or an increase in the cost of insurance.

Dave Lang, Shoreline resident, commented on the 145<sup>th</sup> Street Light Rail Station and the 145<sup>th</sup> Street Corridor. He talked about bus routes, frequency and traffic signaling. He provided recommendations for the Light Rail Station location and bus service routes.

Lisa Surowiec, Shoreline PTA Council President, commented that she supports an increase in human services funding and shared a story about a homeless high school student. She talked about the importance of Community partnerships that have evolved into networks to assist homeless students.

Debbie Tarry, City Manager explained that the City’s sustainability performance indicators are done in five year increments and shared that the next Forever Green update is scheduled for 2017. She said staff will follow up with Mr. Farange regarding his comments, and noted that the comments made by Mr. Schilling were referring to the Smart Meters being installed by Seattle City Light.

6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

**The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.**

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Winstead and seconded by Councilmember Hall and unanimously carried, 7-0, the following Consent Calendar items were approved:

(a) Minutes of Business Meeting of February 8, 2016 and Minutes of Special Meeting of February 22, 2016

(b) Approval of expenses and payroll as of February 26, 2016 in the amount of \$2,071,577.90

**\*Payroll and Benefits:**

Payroll Period	Payment Date	EFT Numbers (EF)	Payroll Checks (PR)	Benefit Checks (AP)	Amount Paid
1/17/16-1/30/16	2/5/2016	64940-65136	14256-14274	62563-62568	\$478,501.97
1/31/16-2/13/16	2/19/2016	65137-65335	14275-14295	62730-62737	\$622,375.03
					\$1,100,877.00

**\*Wire Transfers:**

Expense Register Dated	Wire Transfer Number	Amount Paid
2/26/2016	1105	\$5,715.10
		\$5,715.10

**\*Accounts Payable Claims:**

Expense Register Dated	Check Number (Begin)	Check Number (End)	Amount Paid
2/10/2016	62569	62571	\$21,360.76
2/10/2016	62572	62573	\$15,203.70
2/10/2016	62574	62585	\$33,828.66
2/11/2016	62586	62593	\$14,264.59
2/11/2016	62594	62620	\$81,143.77
2/16/2016	62621	62621	\$117.26
2/16/2016	62622	62623	\$48,850.23
2/18/2016	62624	62624	\$1,767.15
2/18/2016	62625	62644	\$423,790.13
2/18/2016	62645	62655	\$24,686.49
2/18/2016	62656	62675	\$32,065.55
2/18/2016	62676	62676	\$74.00
2/23/2016	62577	62577	(\$80.00)
2/23/2016	62008	62008	(\$40.00)
2/23/2016	62677	62677	\$40.00
2/24/2016	62678	62678	\$125,108.47
2/25/2016	62679	62695	\$63,425.58
2/25/2016	62696	62702	\$6,212.80
2/25/2016	62703	62727	\$70,615.19

2/25/2016	62728	62729	\$2,551.47
			\$964,985.80

8. ACTION ITEMS

(a) Adoption of Ord. No. 717 - Traffic Impact Fee Amendment for Certain Businesses

Dan Eernisse, Economic Development Manager, recapped Council’s discussion regarding Ordinance No. 717 Transportation Impact Fees (TIF). He explained that Ordinance No. 717 provides a 50% exemption of TIF for businesses, removes disincentives for start-ups, and designates eligibility by the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) Code.

Deputy Mayor Winstead asked if bars would be considered under the Services and Restaurants category. Kendra Dedinsky, Traffic Engineer, responded that they would.

Councilmember Scully questioned why an extra application is needed if all businesses are exempt. Mayor Robert responded that the City needs to know how many trips are being generated in the City. Ms. Dedinsky concurred that all trips need to be tracked and incorporated in the Concurrency Model.

**Councilmember Scully moved adoption of Ordinance No. 717 as proposed by staff. The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Winstead.**

**Councilmember Salomon moved that Ordinance No. 717 be amended to increase the partial 50% TIF exemption to a 100% TIF exemption. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Scully.**

Councilmember Salomon commented that he believes a 50% TIF would have a negative impact and create barriers for new businesses wanting to come to Shoreline.

Councilmember Hall and Mayor Roberts stated they oppose a 100% exemption. Councilmember Hall expressed concern that a replacement revenue source has not been identified. He stated that he wants to focus on traffic improvements, addressing congestion, and shared that the TIF Program was created to have growth pay for transportation improvements. Mayor Roberts agreed with Councilmember Hall and said the City needs to be fair in applying exemptions. He stated his preference is to provide a 100% exemption to restaurants.

Deputy Mayor Winstead, and Councilmembers McGlashan, Scully, McConnell and Salomon stated support for a 100% exemption.

Councilmember Salomon commented that although a revenue source has not been identified, that Council will be considering a Business & Occupancy (B&O) tax, a levy lid lift, and commented that the City has been successful in getting regional grants for transportation projects. He added that not all TIFs are being exempted and he is confident that there are other funding options to support the motion. Deputy Mayor Winstead commented that TIF money is required to be spent only on TIF projects and pointed out that the City routinely shifts funding. She shared that economic development and bringing in new small businesses/restaurants has been a long term

Council Goal. She expressed that the B&O Tax is a fairer way to raise revenue. She reminded Council of the sunset clause and said the TIF would still be in place for residential development.

Councilmember Scully commented that the difference between a 50% and 100% exemption is not great and it would not be a huge impact on the City, however, the impact to a new business would be substantial. He said the last thing the City wants to do is discourage new businesses from opening in Shoreline. He said replacement revenue sources can be explored and in the long run he supports a B&O tax. Councilmember McGlashan commented that with the sunset clause, he is supportive of a 100% exemption. Councilmember McConnell concurred and said the City has to make it affordable for small businesses to open in Shoreline.

**The vote on the amendment passed 5-2, with Mayor Roberts and Councilmember Hall voting no.**

**Councilmember Scully moved to amend Section 1 SMC 12.40.070(i) by striking the word “may” and inserting “shall”; and striking Section 1, 2a, 2b, 3, and 4 in their entirety. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Salomon.**

**Councilmember Hall moved to postpone adoption of Ordinance No. 717 and amendment to next week’s meeting on March 21, 2016. The motion was seconded by Councilmember McConnell. The motion passed 6-1 with Councilmember Salomon voting no.**

At 8:24 p.m., Mayor Roberts called for a recess and at 8:31 p.m. the meeting was reconvened.

(a) Discussion and Adoption of 2016-2018 Council Goals and Workplan

John Norris, Assistant City Manager, recalled Council discussion of the 2016-2018 Goals at the Council Strategic Planning Workshop held on February 19 and 20, 2016. The 2016-2018 Council Goals are as follows:

- Goal 1: Strengthen Shoreline’s economic base to maintain the public services that the community expects
- Goal 2: Improve Shoreline’s utility, transportation, and environmental infrastructure
- Goal 3: Prepare for two Shoreline light rail stations
- Goal 4: Expand the City’s focus on equity and inclusion to enhance opportunities for community engagement
- Goal 5: Promote and enhance the City’s safe community and neighborhood programs and initiatives

**Councilmember Hall moved adoption of the 2016-2018 Council Goals and Workplan as presented by staff. The motion was seconded by Councilmember McConnell and passed unanimously.**

9. STUDY ITEMS

(a) Discussion of Human Service Funding Polices

Rob Beem, Community Service Manager, presenting the following questions regarding Human Service (HS) Policy:

- Should operational funding for the Senior Center be moved to the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services (PRCS) Department
- Should the City establish a formula to set the level of HS funding
- What are HS priorities going forward

Mr. Beem provided an overview of HS competitive and adjusted funding. He reviewed current funding levels, service allocations, and funding practices of 19 cities in King County. He stated staff recommends use of a percentage of General Fund Revenues formula, with a base HS funding of General Fund Revenue of .75% in 2017 and setting a target of 1% by 2022, and the prioritization of Basic Needs and Counseling Services.

Councilmembers expressed support for establishing a HS funding formula and thought that a Levy Lid Lift would be a reasonable funding source. They noted that funding to HS would decrease if General Fund Revenue decreased and asked about HS grant allocations. Ms. Tarry responded that General Fund Revenue would be reviewed during the Budget Process and will focus on a 2 year budget allocation. Mr. Beem answered that there are Community Development Block Grants and shared that the City has not sought out other grant funding. He explained that the 10-year HS grant projection would lead to an increase in funding.

Councilmembers expressed support for funding allocations by prioritization of Basic Needs and Counseling Services. They asked if moving the Senior Center to Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services will increase the agencies that compete for grants. Mr. Beem responded that the balance of funding allocated through the competitive process will stay relatively static and that selecting two out of the five areas with the special emphasis to fund could be a challenge.

Mayor Roberts asked what the next steps are to prepare for the 2017 budget. Mr. Beem answered that staff will proceed with staff's recommendations as presented and incorporate them in the 2017 budget process.

#### 10. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:57 p.m., Mayor Roberts declared the meeting adjourned.

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Jessica Simulcik Smith, City Clerk