CITY OF SHORELINE

SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL SUMMARY MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

e 13, 2016 Conference Room 303 - Shoreline City Hall 17500 Midvale Avenue North
Mayor Roberts, Deputy Mayor Winstead, Councilmembers McGlashan, Scully, Hall, McConnell, and Salomon
None
Debbie Tarry, City Manager, John Norris, Assistant City Manager; Scott MacColl, Intergovernmental Program Manager; and Jessica Simulcik Smith, City Clerk
Lake Forest Park City Council: Mayor Johnson, Deputy Mayor Stanford, Councilmembers French, Phillips, and Wright Lake Forest Park Staff: Pete Rose, City Administrator; and Frank Zenk, Public Works Director

At 5:50 p.m., the meeting was called to order by Shoreline Mayor Roberts and Lake Forest Park (LFP) Mayor Johnson. Everyone around the table introduced themselves.

Ms. Tarry said Shoreline is interested in learning more about LFP's capital project to improve the intersection at SR523 and Bothell Way and asked how Shoreline can assist. She noted the dinner meeting materials include the 145th Street Multimodal Corridor Study Preferred Design Concept which focuses on intersection improvements and lane jumps for transit. This concept uses practical design instead of full improvements, making them less costly to implement and requiring a lot less right-of-way acquisition. She said the challenge moving forward is dealing with ownership of the road.

LFP Deputy Mayor Stanford asked how conversations with the City of Seattle are going. Mr. MacColl replied that Seattle was focused on the 145th Light Rail Station and now they should be open to talking about the corridor. Both Ms. Tarry and Mr. MacColl noted it will be essential that the Mayor's Office engage in the conversation.

LFP Councilmember Phillips complimented the 145th Light Rail Station design work to accommodate non-motorized transportation, particularly the bridges alongside the I-5 overpass and at 147th Street. Mr. MacColl noted the City's partnership with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) has been a good one and WSDOT is at the table helping with a solution.

Ms. Tarry identified an area the two cities could work together on would be supporting grant applications for projects that provide mutual benefit. Mr. MacColl concurred and added the cities could work together to support projects being scored by Puget Sound Regional Council.

LFP Councilmember Wright stated he is concerned with the amount of mode change that will occur at the 145th Light Rail Station, noting the design only includes two bus bays. He said the cities need to work together to address this. Mr. MacColl said the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) planning process did not take into account Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) service, and Metro has recognized there are not enough bus bays. Ms. Tarry said staff will work with Sound Transit (ST) on these issues at their 30%, 60%, and 90% design public workshops.

LFP Deputy Mayor Stanford asked Shoreline if zoning changes made to the Southeast Subarea adjacent to SR522 include setbacks that would allow for future right-of-way improvements to accommodate bus lanes. Ms. Tarry said staff would look into this.

LFP Mayor Johnson said the intersection at SR522/SR523 is a key intersection. He said the cities in the North End Coalition were successful in getting candidate projects in the final ST Plan and the cities need to continue to work together to support north King County regional transit projects. He said Shoreline and LFP are connected through roads, stormwater runoff, children attending school, and shared police services, etc. It is important for the two cities to work together.

LFP Mayor Johnson and Deputy Mayor Stanford updated Shoreline on LFP projects that are of mutual interest. They announced they are finishing up their Strategic Plan, will be interviewing candidates to fill a vacancy on the LFP City Council, are working on a Safe Streets Study, and are focused on transportation, and healthy creeks. Deputy Mayor Stanford provided a recap on the Lyon Creek Flood Reduction Project. Mr. Frank noted the strong relationship LFP Public Works has with Shoreline Public Works and how projects benefit from it.

Councilmember Solomon announced the Shoreline Council recently decided to move forward with seeking grant funding to remove the Hidden Lake Dam. LFP Councilmember Phillips noted water quality issues affect both cities, as Ballinger and McAleer creeks share stormwater and pollutants entering it.

Mayor Roberts asked if any traffic modeling has been done to determine what light rail stations LFP citizens will drive to. Mr. Rose provided the traffic data he had available and noted the number of planned parking stalls does not adequately serve the estimated 6,000 passenger boardings per day. He said BRT is needed to get people out of their cars before arriving at the stations. Councilmember Hall said the cities will need to figure out how to keep traffic on Ballinger Way instead of cutting through neighborhoods.

Mayor Johnson shared his vision that creeks are cleaned up from Ballinger to Mountlake Terrace. He also reported LFP is working on a SR104 Corridor Study, and a Parks and Recreation Service Study. He noted the lack of park spaces and recreation opportunities in LFP and said they appreciate the partnership with Shoreline on arts and recreation. He said the former Shoreline Parks Director asked LFP to bring more LFP residents to the programs, and LFP has delivered. Mayor Roberts said the partnership is great, as residents do not see jurisdictional lines but rather experience the entire area as their community.

LFP Councilmember French echoed the comments of his colleagues. He added that SR104 and SR522 are at their saturation levels and there is a lot of cut through traffic. SR104 is dangerous for pedestrians and bicyclists. LFP needs to work to find solutions and he looks forward to working together.

Councilmember McConnell stated she would also like to have more joint meetings, and noted the two cities work well together and should pitch each other's requests in the future.

Mayor Roberts updated LFP on Shoreline projects that are of mutual interest. He reported the Parks, Recreation, Open Space Master Plan is currently being updated and a lot of helpful feedback is being received. He noted the levy lid lift is set to expire in 2017 and the City's 10-Year Sustainability Committee recently recommended asking voters to renew the levy at \$1.48. He shared that several 145th Subarea zoning scenarios are currently being studied in the EIS and Council is scheduled to adopt the 145th Station Subarea Plan and Zoning Map in September 2016.

Both Councils discussed how land use decisions affect both cities, the effectiveness of Transit Oriented Development in conjunction with park and rides, the size and capacity of ST parking garages, and making it so people can leave their cars at home. LFP Deputy Mayor Stanford highlighted the challenge of getting people to leave their cars at home due to bus routes only running on SR104 and SR522. Councilmember French added that busses are also often full when they get to LFP. Mr. MacColl stated final ST language should consider parking management.

LFP Councilmember Wright pointed out usage of parking garages by non-transit users compound the parking problem. He noted options being discussed are access to garages with Orca card, and pay lots.

Ms. Tarry announced that after a several month closure to perform maintenance, the Shoreline pool reopened today. She said maintenance performed is expected to get the pool through another seven years but a long term plan will need to be discussed. LFP Mayor Johnson said LFP would like to be a part of those conversations.

At 6:40 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Jessica Simulcik Smith, City Clerk