

# **CITY OF SHORELINE**

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

Monday, November 27, 2017  
7:00 p.m.

Council Chambers - Shoreline City Hall  
17500 Midvale Avenue North

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

**ABSENT:** Councilmember Hall

### 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 led the flag salute. Upon roll call by the City Clerk, all Councilmembers were present with the exception of Councilmember Hall.

**Councilmember McConnell moved to excuse Councilmember Hall for personal reasons. The motion was second by Deputy Mayor Winstead and passed unanimously, 6-0.**

### 3. REPORT OF CITY MANAGER

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

### 4. COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Roberts announced that the Sound Cities Association is holding its Annual Business Meeting on Wednesday to adopt their budget.

### 5. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was not any one from the public wishing to address the Council.

### 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 McConnell and unanimously carried, 6-0, the following Consent Calendar items were approved:

(a) Approving Minutes of Regular Meeting of October 9, 2017 and Special Meeting of November 6, 2017

(b) Approving Expenses and Payroll as of November 10, 2017 in the amount of \$1,576,075.90

**\*Payroll and Benefits:**

Payroll Period	Payment Date	EFT Numbers (EF)	Payroll Checks (PR)	Benefit Checks (AP)	Amount Paid
10/8/17-10/21/17	10/27/2017	74865-75090	15280-15298	68410-68417	\$750,823.76
	9/2/2016		14561		(\$168.12)
	9/16/2016		14585		(\$91.19)
					<u>\$750,564.45</u>

**\*Wire Transfers:**

Expense Register Dated	Wire Transfer Number	Amount Paid
11/1/2017	1127	\$1,935.16
		<u>\$1,935.16</u>

**\*Accounts Payable Claims:**

Expense Register Dated	Check Number (Begin)	Check Number (End)	Amount Paid
7/27/2017*	67508	67508	\$43,000.48
10/30/2017	68408	68408	\$66,134.93
10/31/2017	68409	68409	\$500.00
11/1/2017	58907	58907	(\$255.75)
11/1/2017	58972	58972	(\$1,202.90)
11/1/2017	60633	60633	(\$33.00)
11/1/2017	60733	60734	(\$3.00)
11/1/2017	60741	60741	(\$7.25)
11/1/2017	60749	60749	(\$5.00)
11/1/2017	60765	60765	(\$7.60)
11/1/2017	61707	61707	(\$6.50)
11/1/2017	61775	61775	(\$5.00)
11/1/2017	61966	61966	(\$10.00)
11/1/2017	62176	62176	(\$2.00)
11/1/2017	62180	62180	(\$78.00)
11/1/2017	65183	62183	(\$19.50)
11/1/2017	62190	62191	(\$34.85)
11/1/2017	62196	62196	(\$5.50)
11/2/2017	68418	68434	\$127,575.77

11/2/2017	68435	68452	\$120,112.68
11/2/2017	68453	68468	\$485.64
11/2/2017	68469	68493	\$48,864.79
11/2/2017	68494	68518	\$121,894.75
11/3/2017	68519	68525	\$1,293.64
11/8/2017	68526	68552	\$238,964.45
11/8/2017	68553	68563	\$5,001.01
11/9/2017	68564	68572	\$51,424.00
			<u>\$823,576.29</u>

- (c) **Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Contract with LMN Architect in an amount not to exceed \$429,821.93 for the 185th Street Multimodal Corridor Strategy**
- (d) **Authorizing the City Manager To Execute an Amendment to the Agreement with SCORE Jail**
- (e) **Authorizing the City Manager To Execute an Amendment to the Agreement with Yakima Jail**
- (f) **Authorizing the City Manager To Execute an Interlocal Agreement with the Shoreline Fire Department for the Collection, Distribution, and Expenditure of Fire Impact Fees**
- (g) **Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Lease Agreement with the United States Postal Service for the 20031 Ballinger Way NE Site**

## 8. STUDY ITEMS

- (a) Sound Transit SR 522/SR 523 Bus Rapid Transit Project Update

Nyasha Sowers, Transportation Services Manager, introduced Sound Transit (ST) Teammembers Kamuron Gurol, North Corridor Development Director; Paul Cornish, Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Program Director; and Kathy Leotta, SR 522/SR 523 BRT Project Manager. Mr. Gurol talked about the new growth in the region, increasing traffic delays, and ST's plans to help meet growing regional demands through high capacity transit. He announced transit ridership has doubled since 2010, light rail ridership has increased by 85% since 2016 with the opening of the Capitol Hill and University of Washington Light Rail Stations, and light rail and BRT are coming to Shoreline.

Mr. Cornish provided an overview of ST's Light Rail, Sounder Rail, and ST Express Bus activities in 2017. He walked the Council through the 2021-2041 Expansion Implementation Plan and noted that light rail is scheduled to open in Shoreline in 2024. He said the focus is getting early consensus on the Plan from elected officials, stakeholders, and agency groups, and to have concurrence documents and partnering agreements in place for an early preferred alternative. He shared that the new BRT will provide all day service on I-405 and SR 522/SR 523 from the South Shoreline Station to Woodinville.

Ms. Leotta said improving speed and reliability are key goals for BRT. She reviewed options to get a bus through a crowded roadway and talked about bus designs that reduce loading and unloading delays. She said branding options will be used to differentiate ST from other bus services and to help passengers distinguish between them. Mayor Roberts asked if Metro will use ST bus stops. Ms. Leotta replied that they have started conversations with Metro.

She shared highlights of the BRT line from Woodinville to Shoreline, and stated additional parking will be provided in Lake Forest Park, Kenmore, and Bothell. She said buses are anticipated to run every 20 minutes from Woodinville to UW Bothell, and every 10 minutes from UW Bothell to Shoreline. She shared that highlights in Shoreline include: a transit travel time of 8 minutes to the Light Rail Station from SR 522/145<sup>th</sup> Street, and 30 minutes to downtown; bus que jumps and bus lanes at some intersections; new curb/sidewalks where bus lanes/queue jumps are implemented; and two station pairs on NE 145<sup>th</sup> Street plus one at SR 522/NE 145<sup>th</sup> Street. She noted sidewalks throughout the corridor and left turn lanes are not in this project.

Mr. Cornish said BRT's challenges and opportunities are the 145<sup>th</sup> Street piece, working with two colleges, tying in SR 522 and I-405 BRTs, integration of all the transit agencies, identifying three parking garage locations, branding, procuring buses, and using electrical vehicles. He talked about the amenities for the operations and maintenance facility and procuring property for it. He reviewed the project timeline from now to 2025, and said the next steps include entering into agreements and public outreach.

Councilmember McGlashan asked if ST3's SR 522/523 BRT project could be completed by the time Shoreline Stations open in 2024. Mr. Cornish confirmed the goal is to have BRT running at the same time the Stations open. They are also having conversations about using the contractor for the Light Rail Stations to also construct the BRT Stations for a more seamless transition.

Councilmember Salomon shared that the efficient and effective use of electric buses by a decent sized public transportation system could be a good model for the private sector and popularize the use of affordable electric vehicles. He said an electric vehicle in BRT's fleet will be beneficial.

Mayor Roberts expressed surprised that ST is not installing left turn lanes to fix intersection challenges and stated his concerns about safety and sidewalk issues. He explained that the problem of getting buses through the intersection quickly will not be resolved without fixing the entire road and putting in left turn queues. Mr. Cornish replied that left turn lanes are not included in the project, and said the question is who should be responsible for making certain improvements and that ST will talk with the City about its goals for the corridor. Ms. Leotta added that needs are being identified throughout the corridor and shared there could be partnership opportunities on parts of the plan not covered by ST. Mayor Roberts stressed the importance of identifying needs early to allow the City to pursue grant opportunities. Mr. Gurol explained that performance and safety are high goals, but stated they are confined by budget limitations, and that ST plans to work with the City to get what is needed within the budget.

Councilmember Scully stated that he is not expecting ST to fix the entire road, but does expect ST to collaborate with the City and provide a plan early enough to allow time to identify needed

improvements and to go out for grants. He asked ST to include the City's requests in one of their alternatives, even if ST is not going to fund it. Mr. Gurol replied he will do everything to ensure timeliness and collaboration.

Mayor Roberts shared that road safety is a priority and that the City Councils of Kenmore, Lake Forest Park, and Mountlake Terrace pointed out that 145<sup>th</sup> Street is the most critical section of the project, and is where most delays occur and will continue to occur without improvements.

- (b) Discussing Ordinance No. 772 - Authorizing an Additional Vehicle License Fee of Twenty Dollars to Preserve, Maintain and Operate the Transportation Infrastructure of the City of Shoreline, Including Funding of Multi-Modal Improvements such as Curbs, Gutters and Sidewalks

Tricia Juhnke, City Engineer, recapped Council's previous discussion on the ADA Transition Plan, infrastructure inventory, existing sidewalks conditions, costs, and funding alternatives. She shared Council landed on moving the discussion of the \$20 Vehicle License Fee (VLF) forward, and said fees would be programmed into the 2019-2024 CIP if the Ordinance is adopted.

Deputy Mayor Winstead inquired about the timeline for sidewalk repair. She said if the Ordinance is enacted it will yield \$780,000 annually for sidewalk repair, but \$100 Million worth of work has been identified. She asked what the City anticipates spending annually on improvements. Ms. Juhnke responded that a bigger program needs to be built, additional staffing resources or a consultant for design and construction may be required, and said the program will be built on the revenue the City has. She explained that it has not been decided whether to use a pay as you go option or to go out for a bond. Deputy Mayor Winstead said she does not want a lot of this money used for consultants and project managers.

Councilmember Salomon said he prefers this discussion take place after Council has received the Sidewalk Advisory Committee's recommendations so a comprehensive view of options and goals can be provided. He shared without this information the discussion is premature, and he does not want to engage in this process piecemeal. He said he was surprised at the number of emails received opposing the \$20 VLF increase, and cautioned against creating levy fatigue.

Councilmember Scully echoed Councilmember Salomon's comments and said he is leaning towards voting against the Ordinance. He expressed concern over the timing of increasing VLF's when Sound Transit fees are being implemented, and said he hopes to have a ballot measure this fall that takes a comprehensive look at how the City should approach sidewalks. He explained that the VLF is a more regressive tax than other options and he would like to use a funding mechanism that is fairer. He believes it is important that the voting population understand the enormity of the need for sidewalks and that a dedicated funding source is needed to pay for them. He stated he wants to see the Sidewalk Advisory Committee's recommendations, see what happens with a ballot measure, and then he would consider a VLF increase if there is not another alternative.

Councilmember McGlashan explained that the conversation about sidewalks has been going on for some time. He said he is not happy about increasing the VLF, but noted the funds raised will be designated for sidewalk repair only. He said he thinks he will be supporting the Ordinance.

Deputy Mayor Winstead shared that a Shoreline Area News article encouraged people to weigh in on VLF's and could have contributed to the volume of emails received. She said sidewalks are infrastructure that the City is required to maintain and thinks the \$20 VLF option should be used to fund them. She shared that the City is opening itself up to liability if they are not taken care of and thinks sidewalks need to be fixed before considering a bond measure for new ones. She cautioned that it will be more expensive if it is put off.

Councilmember McConnell inquired if the Sidewalk Advisory Committee offered a recommendation. Ms. Juhnke responded that they echoed some of Council's concerns but have not fully discussed the issue to offer a recommendation. Councilmember McConnell shared that the City may be a little ahead of the process and wants to hear from the Committee. She said she keeps hearing that sidewalks are a big issue, and feels if it is put off that costs will only increase. She questioned whether the people opposing the VLF increase represent the larger group in Shoreline that want new and repaired sidewalks.

Mayor Roberts requested the individual costs for width, running slope, cross slope, and uplift conditions. He shared the Legislature has not left cities with good options for funding infrastructure improvements, and said he feels asking the voters if they want to increase the sales tax rate is the best of the bad options. He recommended delaying the discussion until the Sidewalk Advisory Committee provides a recommendation. He said he prefers to put a measure on the ballot in a comprehensive package so voters know what they are getting. He emphasized that the City cannot wait more than six months to come up with a package. Ms. Juhnke responded that she will provide the condition figures to the Council.

(c) Discussing Ordinance No. 809 - Amending Shoreline Municipal Code Chapter 3.55 to Allow for Real Estate Broker Sale as a Method of Sale for Surplus Real Property

Margaret King, City Attorney, presented Ordinance No. 809, and shared that it amends Shoreline Municipal Code (SMC) 3.55 providing a method of sale that allows the City to use a licensed real estate broker, and identifies criteria for when a broker is used.

Mayor Roberts said there is no objection for placing this Ordinance on the Consent Calendar.

9. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:18 p.m., Mayor Roberts declared the meeting adjourned.

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Jessica Simulcik Smith, City Clerk