

CITY OF SHORELINE
SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL
SUMMARY MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Monday, November 22, 2021
7:00 p.m.

Held Remotely via Zoom

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Scully, Councilmembers McConnell, McGlashan, Chang, Robertson, and Roberts

ABSENT: Mayor Hall

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call by the City Clerk, all Councilmembers were present except for Mayor Hall.

Councilmember McGlashan moved to excuse Mayor Hall for personal reasons. The motion was seconded by Councilmember McConnell and was approved by unanimous consent.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

4. REPORT OF CITY MANAGER

Debbie Tarry, City Manager, provided an update on COVID-19 and reported on various City meetings, projects, and events.

5. COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Chang attended a meeting of the Regional Transit Committee. She shared the extensive work done toward amendments on the Service Guidelines, Strategic Plan, and Long-Term Plan for King County Metro and detailed the next steps in the process.

Councilmember McConnell congratulated Councilmember Roberts for being appointed to the National League of Cities Board of Directors and listed other newly elected representatives from Washington. She said the recent annual meeting was really busy and she will be applying to continue as a member of the Transportation Committee.

Councilmember Roberts thanked Councilmember McConnell for her mentorship. He recognized the National League of Cities members from the Pacific Northwest and shared highlights and takeaways from the annual meeting.

Deputy Mayor Scully said he attended the Brotherton Cadillac groundbreaking at their new facility and participated in the ribbon cutting at Grounded, a non-profit aimed at developing youth leadership skills.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public wishing to make comment.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon motion by Councilmember Robertson and seconded by Councilmember McGlashan and unanimously carried, 6-0, the following Consent Calendar items were approved:

(a) Approval of Expenses and Payroll as of November 5, 2021 in the Amount of \$4,443,572.04

***Payroll and Benefits:**

Payroll Period	Payment Date	EFT Numbers (EF)	Payroll Checks (PR)	Benefit Checks (AP)	Amount Paid
10/3/21-10/16/21	10/22/2021	99351-99557	17635-17647	83860-83866	\$810,661.50
10/3/21-10/16/22	10/22/2021			WT1219- WT1220	\$104,949.14
Q3 2021 L&I	11/1/2021			83867	\$52,132.26
Q3 2021 ESD	11/1/2021			83868	\$18,879.68
					<u>\$986,622.58</u>

***Wire Transfers:**

Expense Register Dated	Wire Transfer Number	Amount Paid
10/25/2021	1218	\$21,439.01
		<u>\$21,439.01</u>

***Accounts Payable Claims:**

Expense Register Dated	Check Number (Begin)	Check Number (End)	Amount Paid
11/1/2021	83776	83796	\$292,501.07
11/1/2021	83797	83818	\$7,805.01
11/1/2021	83819	83827	\$21,740.58

11/1/2021	83828	83856	\$1,306,475.47
11/1/2021	83857	83859	\$48,241.83
11/3/2021	83869	83874	\$12,887.21
11/3/2021	83875	83890	\$1,353,120.76
11/3/2021	83891	83911	\$220,110.45
11/3/2021	83912	83927	\$172,628.07
			<u>\$3,435,510.45</u>

(b) Authorize the City Manager to Enter Into Assumption of Multifamily Housing Limited Property Tax Exemption Contract with Y & SK, Inc. for the 145th Street Apartment Building Project

(c) Authorize the City Manager to Increase the Contract Amendment Authority for KDH Consulting, Inc. to a Total Contract Amount of \$200,000 to Provide Network and Help Desk Support

8. ACTION ITEMS

(a) Appointment of Pro and Con Committee Members for City of Shoreline Proposition 1: General Obligation Bonds for Parks, Improvements and Park Land Acquisitions

Eric Bratton, Communications Program Manager, delivered the staff presentation. He said that one of Council's responsibilities after placing a measure on the ballot is to appoint a Pro and Con Committee to write statements in support of, or in opposition to, the ballot measure. He reviewed the application process for the Pro and Con Committees, stating Council appoints up to three people for each committee, and that three applications were received for the Pro Committee and one for the Con Committee. Mr. Bratton reviewed the deadlines associated with the next steps and stated that the applicants for the Pro Committee are Brian Branagan, Katie Schielke, and Mary Ellen Stone, and the applicant for the Con Committee is Joseph Smith.

Councilmember Roberts moved to appoint Brian Branagan, Katie Schielke, and Mary Ellen Stone to the Pro Committee and Joseph Smith to the Con Committee. The motion was seconded by Councilmembers McConnell and Chang and passed unanimously, 6-0.

(b) Adoption of the 2022 State Legislative Priorities

John Norris, Assistant City Manager, delivered the staff presentation. Mr. Norris summarized that following review of the draft priorities, Council raised additional consideration of potential priorities regarding engaging with the State regarding the Residential Energy Code and the Fircrest Campus. He stated that after review, staff is not recommending inclusion of Fircrest into the Legislative Priorities but did prepare amendatory language for consideration regarding the Residential Energy Code. He said staff recommends adoption of the 2022 State Legislative Priorities.

Councilmember Roberts moved to adopt the 2022 State Legislative Priorities. The motion was seconded by Councilmember McConnell.

Councilmember Roberts said he appreciates the staff work on this document, as well as the recent conversation and insight from the State Representatives.

Councilmember Roberts moved to amend the 2022 State Legislative Priorities so that the fourth Legislative Issue the City Supports now reads “Support legislation that addresses climate change impacts, across all sectors, including allowing local jurisdictions to modify the State residential Energy Code.” The motion was seconded by Councilmember McConnell.

Councilmember Roberts stated that this was discussed last week, and it seemed like there was support to consider a move forward on looking at modifying the Residential Energy Code.

Councilmember Chang cautioned that the Council be careful with modifications because the Energy Code is complicated. She gave reasons and benefits as to why the Energy Code is established statewide. She does not mind adding this to the priorities but is concerned with what form it could take.

Speaking in opposition of the amendment, Councilmember McGlashan observed that in a short legislative session, priorities should be pinpointed. He feels adding this to the City Priorities takes away from the other ones.

Deputy Mayor Scully said he is inclined to support the amendment, since revising the residential energy code is going to be a big step in combatting climate change, and the time to start the ball rolling is now. He would like to see this as a recurring priority.

The motion to amend passed, 5-1, with Councilmember McGlashan voting against.

The main motion as amended passed, 6-0.

9. **STUDY ITEMS**

- (a) Discussion on Ordinance No. 950 - Amending Shoreline Municipal Code Chapter 10.20 Speed Limits

Kendra Dedinsky, City Traffic Engineer, delivered the staff presentation. In reviewing previous work on reducing speed limits, Ms. Dedinsky highlighted information and research regarding the impact of speed in fatal and serious injury collisions. She said in 2020 staff worked with engineering consultant DKS to study speed limits on six corridors with speed limits of 35 MPH, which she listed. Ms. Dedinsky shared a list of the factors the new speed limit setting tool incorporates in its calculation. She stated that the study concluded with a recommendation of a speed limit reduction of 5 MPH for all but one of the six corridors studied.

Ms. Dedinsky summarized the questions and concerns regarding speed limit reductions that have been previously expressed by the Council. In response to the concerns, Ms. Dedinsky said staff proposes that the City retain existing citation rates and enforcement practices, with education and outreach as key components of these changes. In consideration of the effectiveness of speed limit

changes alone, she shared data on relevant comments identified in the survey. She highlighted that established speed limits influence design.

Ms. Dedinsky said that based on additional review of the data and concerns raised by Council, staff recommends a speed limit reduction of 5 MPH for the corridors listed in proposed Ordinance No. 950. She said there was a second review of the northern segment of 15th Avenue NE to confirm the recommendation to retain the current limit of 35 MPH on this corridor. She listed the economic impact of the speed reductions, stating that the cost of collisions on the corridors exceeds the increased travel time costs, so if a significant reduction in injury collisions is realized, a balanced benefit-cost could be achieved. She concluded that following Council discussion, potential action is scheduled for the December 6, 2021 meeting.

Councilmember Chang asked about the ‘urban’ categorization in the study, and Ms. Dedinsky explained that it was a qualitative assessment, and shared differentiations on urban and suburban settings in the evaluation. Councilmember Chang noted that the Greenwood stretch has a small number of accidents and wondered why it has a recommended speed reduction. Ms. Dedinsky shared specifics on the how the calculations were influenced.

Councilmember Robertson expressed sorrow for the recent fatality collision in Shoreline. She said she supports the staff recommendation but wants to draw attention to the segment of 15th Avenue NE not recommended for a reduction, because in her mind, the design propels you through the corridor. She does not think this should be the end of discussion about that segment, to which Councilmember McGlashan agreed.

Councilmember McGlashan asked if Metro had been consulted on the proposed reductions. Ms. Dedinsky said early on she spoke with Metro, and there were no concerns, and she committed to circling back with them prior to implementation but recognized their support of policy efforts toward Target Zero goals.

Councilmember Roberts supports the recommendation and would additionally like to consider lowering the speed limit on Dayton Avenue North between Westminster Way and Carlyle Hill Road, as well including the segment of 15th Avenue NE not recommended for reduction, explaining his rationale for the recommendations.

Councilmember McConnell commented that she would support more frequent reviews of speed limits, especially with the density growth occurring in the City.

Deputy Mayor Scully expressed complete support for the reductions and said his hope is that enforcement will be focused on the drivers who are creating life safety hazards. He also cautioned that enforcement not inadvertently target any given population of drivers.

It was agreed that proposed Ordinance No. 950 would return as an Action Item.

(b) Discussion of the Transportation Master Plan Update

Nora Daley-Peng, Senior Transportation Planner, delivered the staff presentation. she said this is the second in a series of briefings to the Council about the Transportation Master Plan (TMP) Update. She explained that the TMP is a realistic plan that results in action, guiding transportation investments based on community needs and priorities. The TMP update responds to transformations occurring in Shoreline through land use changes, redevelopment, transportation investments and anticipated population growth. The TMP must be updated by 2024 to align with the City Comprehensive Plan, meet the Growth Management Act requirements, maintain the City's eligibility for pursuing future grants, and set transportation policies for guiding the development of Shoreline. Ms. Daley-Peng displayed a timeline of this multi-year process and described the actions to date.

Ms. Daley-Peng said since the last briefing to Council, the TMP Outreach Series 2 was conducted. She listed the outreach activities and said the key discussion topics centered around the future transit service, shared-use mobility, future traffic patterns and volumes, impacts of redevelopment, neighborhood paths, safe and direct bicycle connections, and the highest and best use of curb space. She said there were over 700 participants in the outreach opportunities, with the online survey gathering the most responses. She displayed results of the survey, the main goal of which was to gather feedback on various travel modes. Questions included identifying intersections most important for maintaining reasonable traffic flow, identifying needs for new or improved pedestrian network crossings and pathways, improvements to the bicycle network, a ranking of transit network destinations, and factors for use of on-demand transit service.

Highlighting the TMP Vision Statement and listing the goals of safety, multimodality, climate resiliency, equity, connectivity, and community vibrancy, Ms. Daley-Peng displayed the purpose statements associated with each of the goals. She stated that the TMP will guide local and regional transportation investments and define the City's future transportation policies, programs, and plans for the next 20 years. She reviewed the project evaluation framework prepared by staff, which pairs project evaluation criteria with the TMP Goals and added that staff will develop a companion set of prioritization metrics for the evaluation criteria. She explained that this framework will allow for a transparent and data driven process for evaluating and prioritizing potential transportation projects and that the TMP Update will develop a future travel demand model based on growth projections associated with land uses. Ms. Daley-Peng concluded by stating that the next steps are to develop the future travel demand model, draft project prioritization metrics, draft model plans and policies, and conduct Outreach Series 3.

Councilmember Chang asked how this information will be communicated to Metro. Nytasha Walters, Transportation Services Manager, described the ways the City has been communicating and advocating for Shoreline's needs.

Councilmember McGlashan asked if the pedestrian network pathways already exist, or have they been requested to be built. Ms. Daley-Peng said the survey gathered information on both existing and potential new pathways in public domain as well as some requests for passageways on private properties. A map of the segments of unimproved rights-of-way throughout the City was provided as information in the survey for the purposes of gathering feedback. Councilmember McGlashan confirmed that the City would need to maintain any pedestrian network paths.

Councilmember Roberts said, in reviewing the 2011 TMP, it is good to see how many projects were completed.

Councilmember Roberts opened discussion on how the prioritization matrices were going to be evaluated and if the scorecards will be incorporated into the next TMP, giving Council opportunity to give feedback and direction. Ms. Dedinsky said the policy decisions associated with the metrics, as well as any prioritized project list, would be determined by the Council. Deputy Mayor Scully emphasized that Council wants to provide input on the broad policy pictures, the metrics, and the matrices, to talk about both the criteria and ranking. He said the sidewalk prioritization process went well, but an update mechanism to the matrix should have been built into the metrics. Ms. Walters said staff has talked about a refresh of the data for the prioritization plan happening in about 2023, and the intent is to relook at data every five years, incorporating new community feedback and Council direction.

Ms. Daley-Peng said the next update will be prior to Outreach Series 3 and outlined where the work will be at that point.

10. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:48 p.m., Deputy Mayor Scully declared the meeting adjourned.

Kendyl Hardy, Deputy City Clerk