

**CITY OF LAKE STEVENS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Monday June 8, 2015

Lake Stevens School District Educational Service Center (Admin. Bldg.)
12309 22nd Street N.E. Lake Stevens

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Vern Little

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Todd Welch, Suzanne Quigley, Kathy Holder, Kim Daughtry, Marcus Tageant, Sam Low and John Spencer

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: City Administrator Jan Berg, Finance Director/City Clerk Barb Stevens, Planning and Community Development Director Rebecca Ableman McCrary, Public Works Director Mick Monken, Human Resources Director Steve Edin, Police Chief Dan Lorentzen, Economic Development Coordinator Jeanie Ashe, Deputy City Clerk Kathy Pugh and City Attorney Cheryl Beyer

OTHERS: Fire Chief Kevin O'Brien, Arts Commissioners Holly Forbis and Kristen Hunt

Excused Absence. None.

Guest Business. None.

Introduction: Police Chief Dan Lorentzen introduced Fire Chief Kevin O'Brien, and said Chief O'Brien is a great community partner. Chief O'Brien shared his background and experience, and said he and his family are very excited to join the Lake Stevens community.

Consent Agenda.

MOTION: Moved by Councilmember Tageant, seconded by Councilmember Welch, to approve (A) 2015 Vouchers [Payroll Direct Deposits of \$135,141.29; Payroll Checks 38600-38604 in the amount of \$5,406.24; Tax Deposit(s) of \$54,126.54; Electronic Funds Transfers (ACH) of \$158,340.72; Claims Check Nos. 38605-38669 in the amount of \$1,281,146.34; Total Vouchers Approved: \$1,634,161.13]; and (B) City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of May 26, 2015. On vote the motion carried unanimously (7-0-0-0).

Public Hearing in consideration of Resolution 2015-10 re 2016-2021 6-Year

Transportation Improvement Plan: City Clerk Barb Stevens opened the Public Hearing and read the Public Hearing Procedures for the record.

Public Works Director Mick Monken presented the staff report and said that it is Staff's recommendation to hold a public hearing, take comments on the proposed 2016-2021 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan ("TIP"), and if there are no changes, adopt Resolution 2015-10. He reviewed the various projects proposed to be included in the new TIP and estimated expenditures over the six years; he then responded to Councilmembers' questions.

Mayor Little invited public comment and there was none.

MOTION: Councilmember Spencer moved, Councilmember Daughtry seconded, to close the public comment portion of the public hearing. On vote the motion carried unanimously (7-0-0-0).

MOTION: Councilmember Daughtry moved, Councilmember Welch seconded, to close the public hearing. On vote the motion carried unanimously (7-0-0-0).

MOTION: Councilmember Low moved, Councilmember Spencer seconded, to approve the first and final reading of Resolution 2015-10 adopting a Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan for the years 2016-2021 and directing the same to be filed with the State Secretary of Transportation and the Puget Sound Regional Council. On vote the motion carried unanimously (7-0-0-0).

Action Items:

Mayor Little announced that Action Item B, Nonstandard Warning Sign Policy, is being removed from tonight's agenda. Also there will be an executive session regarding potential litigation with no action to follow.

Recommendation for Roundabout Art: Public Works Director Mick Monken presented the staff report and said it is staff's recommendation to authorize the Mayor to enter into a purchase agreement with artist Gunter Reimnitz, for his art work entitled "Salmon Migration". Director Monken reminded that Council previously budgeted \$4,000 for landscaping this roundabout. Staff has been waiting for selection and installation of the art work before installing new landscaping that will be compatible with the selected art. Arts Commissioner Holly Forbis displayed a model of the recommended art work and reviewed the selection process that the Arts Commission used in making this recommendation. Some criteria considered for the art work was that it must be representative of Lake Stevens, durable, and if possible, created by a local artist. The Arts Commission invited public input for suggestions as to theme of the artwork, and the predominant responses included elements of water, fish and sailboats. Five artists were interviewed. Commissioner Forbis and Director Monken responded to Councilmembers' questions, and Commissioner Forbis said the Arts Commission is planning a variety of media announcements to let the public know of the new art work.

MOTION: Councilmember Welch moved, Councilmember Tageant seconded, to approve the Arts Commission's recommended purchase of the "Salmon Migration" sculpture for the roundabout at Callow and Lundeen, and authorize the Mayor to enter into a purchase agreement with the Artist Gunter Reimnitz. On vote the motion carried unanimously (7-0-0-0).

Alliance for Housing Affordability Annual Work Program and Budget: Planning and Community Development Director Becky Ableman McCrary reviewed the staff report and said this is before Council now because the Alliance for Housing Affordability's fiscal year runs from July 1 through June 30. The Alliance for Housing Affordability assists member cities and Snohomish County in meeting their housing goals and to assist with other housing issues related to the jurisdictions' respective Comprehensive Plans. She then responded to Councilmembers' questions.

MOTION: Councilmember Tageant moved, Councilmember Welch seconded, to approve the Alliance for Housing Affordability 2016 work program and budget for fiscal year 2016-2017. On vote the motion carried unanimously (7-0-0-0).

Discussion Items:

Economic Development Work Plan: Director Ableman McCrary distributed material regarding the Economic Development Work Plan and said the proposed work plan is part of the subarea plan; Economic Developer Jeanie Ashe highlighted that her efforts will be directed to the 20th SE corridor and its intersection with Highway 9 for the coming six months; and also that she will continue to meet with Lake Stevens business owners. She also said she would focus efforts on tourism. Discussion ensued and Ms. Ashe responded to Councilmembers' questions.

There was consensus by the City Council to move forward with the downtown subarea plan as presented.

Council Person's Business: Councilmembers reported on the following meetings: Councilmember Tageant: Sewer District Meeting; Councilmember Welch: Fire Commission Meeting; Councilmember Spencer: Lake Stevens Education Foundation; Councilmember Low: Sewer District Meeting, Snohomish Health District; Councilmember Daughtry: Community Transit, Family Center.

Mayor's Business: Sewer District Meeting, Senate Bill 5761 relating to the manufacturing property tax exemption passed.

Staff Reports: Staff reported on the following: City Administrator Berg: Invited Chamber to tour Lundeen House as a possible larger location for the Visitor Center; Planning and Community Development Director Becky Ableman McCrary: Comprehensive Plan Open House; Snohomish County Tomorrow; Public Works Director Monken: Snohomish Community Church interested in adopting at least four and possibly six of the existing entry signs and doing maintenance; mower is repaired and in service; Police Chief Lorentzen: Update on training status of new police officers; Human Resources Director Edin: City awarded Well City status.

Execute Session: Mayor Little announced an executive session for five minutes to discuss potential litigation beginning at 8:20 p.m. and ending at 8:25 p.m. with no action to follow.

Mayor Little reconvened the regular meeting of the City Council at 8:25 p.m.

Adjourn:

Moved by Councilmember Low, seconded by Councilmember Tageant to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m. On vote the motion carried unanimously (7-0-0-0).


Vern Little, Mayor


Kathy Pugh, Deputy City Clerk