

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

Tuesday, November 8, 2016

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

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 p.m. by Council President Sam Low

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: Councilmembers Kim Daughtry, Sam Low, Kurt Hilt, Todd Welch, Rauchel McDaniel, Kathy Holder, Marcus Tageant

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: Mayor John Spencer

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Interim City Administrator Mary Swenson, Finance Director/City Clerk Barb Stevens, Community Development Director Russ Wright, Public Works Director Mick Monken, Police Chief John Dyer, Human Resources Director Steve Edin, Deputy City Clerk Kathy Pugh and City Attorney Grant Weed

OTHERS: Doug Levy and Jennifer Ziegler

Council President Sam Low called the meeting to order and introduced Jennifer Ziegler from Outcomes by Levy.

Ms. Ziegler reviewed the proposed 2017 Legislative Priorities including interim legislative activities which include homelessness/affordable housing/mental health, infrastructure including the public works trust fund, 1% Property Tax Cap Coalition, the Public Records Act and Stakeholder Group, criminal justice training funding request, federal transportation funding distributions, the Model Toxics Contract Act Governor's Work Group, the B&O Licensing Group, Growth Management Act House local government work sessions, the Use of Deadly Force Task Force and the Body Worn Cameras Tax Force.

Ms. Ziegler commented on the legislative outlook, noting there are close margins in the two legislative chambers and that this is the final biennium to fulfill the stating funding obligations for basic education. She also commented that state revenues are stable, and also that marijuana revenues are up sharply, but that the City will have to be defensive regarding shared revenues.

Mr. Levy reviewed the draft state legislative priorities as follows: The City is requesting \$3 million in the 2017-19 Capital Budget for the next phase of its downtown Civic Center project, that the City will actively support legislative and budget initiatives to add affordable housing units for those most in need and also to add services and facilities to combat homelessness, as well as better funding for mental health and chemical dependency prevention; and that the City will continue its efforts to protect and restore "state-shared" revenues and provide local governments with options to better address local resource needs.

Ms. Ziegler added they will work to modernize the Public Records Act.

Ms. Ziegler and Mr. Levy next reviewed the 2017 items they would support or oppose and also those topics they would track and monitor, including criminal justice/public safety/fire/courts, economic development and infrastructure matters, land use and the Growth Management Act, and other miscellaneous topics that may affect local government.

Mr. Levy also commented that they will monitor personnel, pension and other human resources issues and would oppose legislation that would impose unfunded mandates; they will support initiatives that can help to reduce costs for cities and counties.

Ms. Ziegler reviewed the next steps including finalization of the legislative agenda and meeting with the legislative delegation. She added that the 2017 legislative session begins January 19th.

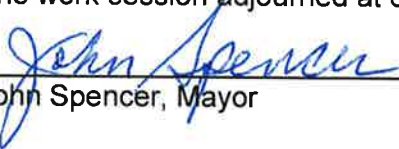
Mr. Levy and Ms. Ziegler then responded to Councilmembers' questions.

Mayor Pro Tem Low thanked Ms. Levy and Ms. Ziegler for being here this evening.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Council President Low announced an executive session beginning at 6:46 p.m. for 10 minutes to discuss a personnel matter, with action to follow during the regular meeting immediately following.

Adjourn:

The work session adjourned at 6:45 p.m.



John Spencer, Mayor



Kathy Pugh, Deputy City Clerk