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CITY OF MUKILTEO, WASHINGTON  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
December 7, 2015  
City Council Chambers – 11930 Cyrus Way

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Gregerson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led the flag salute.

**ATTENDANCE** Mayor/Councilmembers  
Mayor Gregerson, Council President Champion, Council Vice President Lord, and Councilmembers Wheeler, Grafer, Cook, Vanderwielen, and Schmalz.

City Staff  
City Attorney Summerfield, Finance Director Volesky, Policy Analyst Lias, Public Works Director McGaughey, Community Development Director Love, Police Chief Macklin, Fire Chief Alexander, Recreation and Cultural Services Director Berner, Assistant City Engineer Swisstack, and City Clerk Keefe. Management Services Director Phillips was absent.

**AGENDA ORDER** There were no changes to the agenda order.

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS** Councilmember Vanderwielen stated she would be leaving at about 9:00 PM.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** Kevin Stoltz, Mukilteo, commented that he is representing "Old Town Criers", and shared that he would like more police presence at the end of events at Rosehill where alcohol is served; requested that no events should be scheduled in Rosehill's Christiansen Room when events are taking place in the Point Elliott Room, would like a dedicated community meeting room at Rosehill, and would like to revisit the future of a gym in the community center.

**CONSENT AGENDA** Mayor Gregerson asked if there were any items on the Consent Agenda that Council had questions on or pulled. Councilmember Cook stated there was an error at the top of page three of the Minutes of November 10, 2015. It should read "Councilmember Grafer was in favor of a discussion to determine if a Senior Center is even needed."

- 1. Approval of Meeting Minutes of November 9, 10, 16, and 23, 2015 (AB15-01)
- 2. Approval of Payment Vouchers Totaling \$1,012,894.07 (AB15-02)

<b><u>Payroll</u></b>	
Payroll Direct Deposits #27627-27740	263,783.15
Benefits/Deductions #39661-39681	<u>256,180.88</u>
<b>Payroll Total</b>	<b>519,964.03</b>
<b><u>Other Disbursements</u></b>	
Claims Checks #72577-72712	467,476.82
Wire Transfer #101615	<u>12,688.82</u>
<b>Claims Total</b>	<b>480,165.64</b>
<b><u>Electronic Fund Transfers</u></b>	
Merchant Settlement Fees-paid to credit card administrator	<u>12,764.40</u>
<b>EFTs Total</b>	<b>12,764.40</b>

**Total Disbursements \$1,012,894.07**

**CONSENT AGENDA  
Continued**

**3. Progressive Animal Welfare Society (PAWS) Contract Renewal (AB15-104)**  
To authorize the Mayor or designee to renew the PAWS Animal Shelter contract for three years starting January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2018.

**4. Interlocal Agreement Snohomish County Regional Trainers Group (AB15-103)**  
To authorize the Mayor to sign the Interlocal Agreement for the Snohomish County Regional Trainers Group, for police officers.

**5. Appointment to Planning Commission (AB15-33)**  
To appoint Melanie Field to the Planning Commission for a six-year term beginning January 1, 2016 and ending December 31, 2022.

Motion: To approve the Minutes of November 9, 10, 16 and 23<sup>rd</sup> with a change to the Minutes of November 10, 2015 Minutes of "Councilmember Grafer was in favor of a discussion to determine if a Senior Center is even needed."

Made by: Cook  
Seconded by: Grafer  
Action: PASSED unanimously

Motion: To approve Consent Agenda Items 2, 3, 4, and 5 as presented.

Made by: Lord  
Seconded by: Wheeler  
Action: PASSED unanimously

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**6. 2016 Final Budget Adoption Ordinance 1375 – continued PUBLIC HEARING (AB15-96)**

Mayor Gregerson opened the public hearing and noted that Finance Director Volesky had sent out some updated exhibits that were reflecting what had been discussed by Council on December 2, 2015 and no new information is being presented.

Council expressed their positions about various elements of the proposed budget, such as, the organizational structure of the Executive branch, questions regarding combining department expenditures into the non-departmental budget, and investment in information technology.

Discussion also focused on New Budget Items (NBIs) outlined in the proposed budget and staff answered questions as they were presented. The NBIs most discussed were the Street Preservation Program, Traffic Calming, the Rosehill Community Center Reorganization, and the Large Item Pickup program.

Councilmembers Champion, Lord, Grafer, Cook, Schmalz stated they were against the Rosehill Community Center reorganization.

Councilmembers Champion, Lord, Schmalz, Cook, and Wheeler supported continuing the Large Item Pickup program while two councilmembers Grafer, Vanderwielen) did not.

All Councilmembers supported reducing the budget for the Fire Department Emergency Generator from \$100,000 to \$50,000.

**PUBLIC HEARING  
continued**

Councilmembers Champion, Lord, Cook, Schmalz, Wheeler, and Grafer voiced support for the Street Preservation Program but believe the budgeted amount is not enough. Councilmember Lord encouraged staff to promise that this issue would be a high priority in 2016, and that the goal should be to identify funding options in mid-2016. Councilmembers voiced consensus for this proposal.

Councilmembers Champion, Lord, Vanderwielen, Grafer and Schmalz agreed that Human Resources budget should be reflected on its own page.

Councilmembers Champion, Lord, Vanderwielen, and Grafer supported separating department expenditures such as insurance, SnoCom 911 dispatch and SERS charges.

Kevin Stoltz, Mukilteo, commented on the 5<sup>th</sup> Street chip seal, opined about putting a lighted pedestrian signal at 2<sup>nd</sup> Street for pedestrian access to the waterfront, installing c-curbing on the ferry lane, and the possible reduction of Sunday hours at Rosehill Community Center.

Richard Emery, Mukilteo, thanked Council for looking at the 2016 proposed budget very carefully, thoughtfully, and thoroughly with respect for other councilmembers' opinions; and is looking forward to serving on the council again.

Motion: To close the public hearing.  
Motion by: Vanderwielen  
Seconded by: Wheeler  
Action: PASSED unanimously

Mayor Gregerson called for a ten-minute break at 9:00 PM. Councilmember Vanderwielen left the meeting at 9:00 PM. The meeting was reconvened at 9:11 PM.

Finance Director Volesky proposed to bring back to Council a document stating the changes in line items which the Council had discussed for their next meeting.

Councilmember Schmalz requested an impromptu Executive Session to discuss labor negotiations.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Gregerson adjourned the meeting at 9:19 PM, and reconvened immediately into Executive Session to discuss labor negotiations for approximately 10 minutes.

Mayor Gregerson reconvened the meeting at 9:31 PM with no announcements or decisions to report.

**BUSINESS ITEMS**

**7. 2015 ADA Improvement Project Contract Award (AB15-111)**

Assistant City Engineer Swisstack explained the purpose of this agenda item with a short presentation. Discussion and questions to staff followed.

Motion: To award a contract for Schedule A of the 2015 ADA Improvements project to Civil Constructions Services, Inc. of Lynden, WA in the amount of \$38,754.00, which includes Washington State use tax; and approve a contingency fund in the amount of \$5,920.96 (approximately 15%).  
Motion by: Schmalz  
Seconded by: Grafer

**BUSINESS ITEMS  
continued**

Action: PASSED 5-1  
Ayes: Champion, Lord, Schmalz, Grafer, Cook  
Nay: Wheeler

**8. Parking Facility Feasibility Study Consultant Contract (AB15-46)**

Community Development Director Love gave a short overview of the project. Discussion and questions followed.

Kevin Stoltz, Mukilteo, is opposed to a parking garage in old town Mukilteo, an automated parking garage, and a road diet, but wants the idea of park-n-ride plus to stay in the plan; and is very happy BergerABAM was chosen for the project.

Motion: To authorize the Mayor or her designee to sign the consultant contract with BergerABAM in the amount of \$47,500 to fund a parking facility feasibility study.

Motion by: Wheeler

Second by: Grafer

Action: PASSED unanimously 6-0

Due to the late time, Council consensus was to continue the meeting to 6:00 PM, Thursday, December 10, 2015.

Motion: To move the Public Hearing on 2015 Fourth Quarter Budget Amendments to Thursday, December 10, 2015.

Made by: Schmalz

Seconded by: Champion

Action: PASSED unanimously 6-0

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Initiated at Meeting (AB15-02)**

Councilmember Schmalz asked Council to approve reimbursement to Mayor Gregerson and Council President Champion in the amount of personal funds spent for the Boards and Commissions reception. Mayor Gregerson shared that she would donate any reimbursed funds to charity.

Motion: To approve reimbursement to Council President Champion and Mayor Gregerson for \$850 in personal funds spent on the Boards and Commissions reception November 17, 2015.

Made by: Schmalz

Seconded by: Lord

Action: PASSED 5-1

Council President Champion abstained.

At Councilmember Cook's request, City Attorney Summerfield agreed to forward the definition of an "Essential Public Facility" to the Council.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Kevin Stoltz, Mukilteo, the radar speed indicator on 5<sup>th</sup> Street is not functioning, and is concerned that ADA ramp on bridge across railroad tracks at Highway 525 is a barrier.

**MAYOR AND  
COUNCIL REPORTS**

None.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

None.

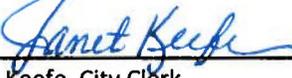
**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 PM to be continued on December 10, 2015 at 6:00 PM at City Hall for Agenda Bills 15-52, 15-65, 15-99, and 15-96.

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These minutes are excerpts from the Council proceedings. An audio recording of the meeting was made.

Prepared by:

  
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Janet Keefe, City Clerk