

EDMONDS CITY COUNCIL APPROVED MINUTES

January 2, 2002

Following a Special Meeting at 6:45 p.m. for an Executive Session regarding labor negotiations, the Edmonds City Council meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Mayor Haakenson in the Council Chambers, 250 5th Avenue North, Edmonds. The meeting was opened with the flag salute.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT

Gary Haakenson, Mayor
Dave Earling, Council President
Jeff Wilson, Councilmember
Michael Plunkett, Councilmember
Lora Petso, Councilmember
Dave Orvis, Councilmember
Richard Marin, Councilmember
Deanna Dawson, Councilmember

ALSO PRESENT

Jared Carl, Student Representative

STAFF PRESENT

Tom Tomberg, Fire Chief
David Stern, Chief of Police
Duane Bowman, Development Serv. Director
Stephen Clifton, Community Services Director
Peggy Hetzler, Administrative Services Director
Jim Larson, Assistant Admin. Services Director
Dave Gebert, City Engineer
Don Fiene, Assistant City Engineer
Brian McIntosh, Cultural/Recreation Supervisor
Frances Chapin, Cultural Resources Coordinator
Sandy Chase, City Clerk
Jana Spellman, Senior Executive Council Asst.
Jeannie Dines, Recorder

1. ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED COUNCILMEMBERS

Mayor Haakenson administered the Oath of Office to Councilmembers Plunkett, Dawson, Wilson, and Marin.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

COUNCILMEMBER EARLING MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ORVIS, TO ADD "APPROVAL OF TERMS OF AGREED JUDGMENT AND JUST COMPENSATION FOR PERMANENT AND TEMPORARY EASEMENTS IN ASSOCIATION WITH PERRINVILLE SEWER PROJECT" AS CONSENT AGENDA ITEM I. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COUNCILMEMBER EARLING MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ORVIS, FOR APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AS AMENDED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

Councilmember Petso requested Item G be removed from the Consent Agenda.

COUNCILMEMBER PETSO MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER PLUNKETT, FOR APPROVAL OF THE REMAINDER OF THE CONSENT AGENDA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The agenda items approved are as follows:

- (A) ROLL CALL
- (B) APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 18, 2001
- (C) APPROVAL OF CLAIM CHECKS #52551 THROUGH #52676 FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 17, 2001, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$210,234.29. APPROVAL OF CLAIM CHECKS #52677 THROUGH #52789 FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 24, 2001, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$163,223.49. APPROVAL OF PAYROLL DIRECT DEPOSITS AND CHECKS #3853 THROUGH #3945 FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 15, 2001, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$839,606.07.
- (D) ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES FROM CAMILLA SMITH (\$75.76), DARYL VAN LUEREN (\$422.06), JOHN WAGNER (\$1,936.69), AND NICHOLAS AND LAURA CARPINE (UNDETERMINED)
- (E) AUTHORIZATION FOR MAYOR TO SIGN RECREATION SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTH COUNTY SENIOR CENTER
- (F) APPROVAL OF JOB DESCRIPTIONS FOR THE POSITIONS OF BATTALION CHIEF, FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC AND PARAMEDIC
- (H) RESOLUTION NO. 1017 COMMENDING COUNCILMEMBER TOM MILLER FOR HIS SERVICE
- (I) APPROVAL OF TERMS OF AGREED JUDGMENT AND JUST COMPENSATION FOR PERMANENT AND TEMPORARY EASEMENTS IN ASSOCIATION WITH PERRINVILLE SEWER PROJECT

Item G: Approval of Collective Labor Agreement with Internal Association of Firefighters Union Local 1828 for 2002-2004

Councilmember Petso explained she pulled this item from the Consent Agenda so that she could vote against it.

Councilmember Wilson pointed out Subsection D, Article 13 referred to the Medical Self Insurance Committee which no longer existed. He recommended this provision be deleted and a Memo of Understanding prepared indicating the language would be removed.

COUNCILMEMBER WILSON MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MARIN, FOR APPROVAL OF ITEM G WITH THE STIPULATION THAT SUBSECTION D IN ARTICLE 13

BE DELETED AND A MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING PREPARED INDICATING THAT LANGUAGE WOULD BE STRICKEN. MOTION CARRIED (6-1), COUNCILMEMBER PETSO OPPOSED. The agenda item approved is as follows:

(G) APPROVAL OF COLLECTIVE LABOR AGREEMENT WITH INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS UNION LOCAL 1828 FOR 2002-2004

4. INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE JARED CARL

Councilmember Earling introduced Jared Carl, a student at Edmonds-Woodway High School, and described his school activities and church involvement. Councilmember Earling explained Jared planned to attend college in the fall to pursue a Political Science degree and eventually attend law school.

Student Representative Carl thanked the City and Council for providing him this opportunity and said he looked forward to working with the Council.

5. PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION AND PLAQUE TO TOM MILLER

Councilmember Earling commented it had been a privilege to have Mr. Miller on the Council for the past five years and previously as the City's Police Chief. He remarked the Council would miss Mr. Miller's service to the City.

Councilmember Earling read a Resolution thanking Mr. Miller for his service on the Council from February 18, 1997 through December 10, 2001. Councilmember Earling presented Mr. Miller with a plaque that expressed appreciation for his selfless dedication to the Council.

Mr. Miller thanked the Councilmembers for the time they devote as colleagues serving the City and for the opportunity to serve the citizens of Edmonds.

6. PRESENTATION OF GIFT TO THE CITY OF EDMONDS FROM TOM MILLER

Mr. Miller presented the City with "Tribute to Hope", a painting based on a photograph of firefighters hoisting a flag at Ground Zero.

Mayor Haakenson recessed the meeting for a reception in Mr. Miller's honor.

7. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

There were no members of the audience present who wished to address the Council.

8. SELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Mayor Haakenson opened the floor for nominations.

COUNCILMEMBER MARIN MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER PLUNKETT, TO NOMINATE DAVE EARLING TO SERVE AS COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOR 2002.

COUNCILMEMBER ORVIS MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WILSON, TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS FOR COUNCIL PRESIDENT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION TO APPROVE DAVE EARLING TO SERVE AS COUNCIL PRESIDENT IN 2002 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. SELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM

Mayor Haakenson opened the floor for nominations.

COUNCILMEMBER MARIN MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WILSON, TO NOMINATE DAVE ORVIS TO SERVE AS COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM FOR 2002.

COUNCILMEMBER MARIN MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER PLUNKETT, TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS FOR COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION TO APPROVE DAVE ORVIS TO SERVE AS COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM FOR 2002 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. COUNCIL PRESIDENT – APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Council President Earling explained he had asked the Council for their feedback on the status of committees and received several recommendations. Council President Earling recommended, 1) merging the Comprehensive Human Resources Committee with the Finance Committee, 2) eliminating the Senior Center Long Range Task Force, the Suggestion Committee, and the 3CHPAC Committee, and 3) making the Parking Committee a paid committee.

Council President Earling explained the Human Resources Committee had previously been part of the Finance Committee but the committees were separated at the time the Human Resources Study was underway. As that study had been completed, it was appropriate to merge the committees.

Council President Earling explained issues to be discussed in the near future, possibly at the upcoming Council retreat, included whether the Council should become more involved in the Edmonds Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Committee and Retailers Group, and changing the name of the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee to the Historical Commission. He advised the ordinance regarding Council Committees would be updated and presented to the Council for review.

Council President Earling announced committee appointments as follows:

Community Services/Dev. Services Comm.	Richard Marin (Chair), Jeff Wilson
Finance Committee	Dave Orvis (Chair), Deanna Dawson
Public Safety Committee	Michael Plunkett (Chair), Lora Petso
Community Transit	Dave Earling, Richard Marin (Alt)
Disability Board	Richard Marin, Dave Orvis
Downtown Parking	Dave Orvis
Edmonds Alliance for Economic Dev.	Michael Plunkett
Edmonds Crossing Project (Multimodal)	Dave Earling
Historic Preservation Advisory Comm.	Michael Plunkett
Long Range Task Force	Deanna Dawson, Richard Marin
Medic 7 & SnoCom	Gary Haakenson (Medic 7), Deanna Dawson (SnoCom)
Lodging Tax Advisory Committee	Lora Petso
Port of Edmonds	Jeff Wilson
Snohomish County Health District	Richard Marin
Snohomish County Tomorrow	Dave Earling, Jeff Wilson (Alt)
WIRA-8	Lora Petso

COUNCIL PRESIDENT EARLING MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ORVIS, TO CONFIRM THE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS AND THE THREE RECOMMENDATIONS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

11. **PROPOSED RESOLUTION APPOINTING A COUNCILMEMBER TO THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT BOARD**

COUNCIL PRESIDENT EARLING MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ORVIS, FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 1018, APPOINTING COUNCILMEMBER RICHARD MARIN TO THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT BOARD. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

12. **PROPOSED RESOLUTION APPOINTING COUNCILMEMBERS TO THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT AREA CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

COUNCILMEMBER ORVIS MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER PLUNKETT, FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 1019, APPOINTING COUNCIL PRESIDENT EARLING TO THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT AREA CORPORATION BOARD WITH COUNCILMEMBER RICHARD MARIN AS AN ALTERNATE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

13. **ENGINEERING DIVISION STAFFING REVISIONS**

City Engineer Dave Gebert advised he was seeking Council approval for two staffing revisions in the Engineering Division. He explained he completed a staff analysis of the Engineering Division with the objective of improving the responsiveness to customer expectations as well as providing for career advancement opportunity and retention of top quality employees. He outlined his recommendations as follows:

- Downgrade the vacant Construction Engineer (N-11) position to an Engineering Specialist (N-7) position.
- Reclassify the Development Services Engineer (N-9) position to an Engineering Program Manager (N-11) position.

Mr. Gebert explained a third recommended staff change, to establish a career progression Engineering Technician Position I, II, III levels, would be presented to the Council separately along with the union labor contract negotiations.

Mr. Gebert described benefits from the proposed changes which included providing additional positions at the technician level where the additional workload existed and additional staff was needed and distributing the private development review workload (reviewing private development permits and applications) to more staff members. Currently only one individual position handles the majority of private development reviews. The proposed staff changes would allow cross-training and result in the ability for numerous individuals to handle private development reviews which will in turn speed up the review process.

Mr. Gebert explained the net impact on the budget of the two requested changes was a small annual reduction in salary costs of approximately \$6,800. He noted the total number of positions in the Engineering Division would not change under the proposed revisions. He explained the Council Human Resources Committee reviewed the recommendations and endorsed the proposal for presentation to the Council. The Human Resources Director has reviewed and validated the positions and job descriptions.

Mr. Gebert advised a job description existed for the N-7 position, therefore, the Council did not need to approve that job description. The Engineering Program Manager (N-11) was a new position (combining the responsibilities of the Construction Engineer and Development Services Engineer position) that would require Council approval of the new job description.

Mr. Gebert recommended Council approval of downgrading the vacant Construction Engineer (N-11) position to an Engineering Specialist (N-7) position, reclassifying the Development Services Engineer (N-9) position to an Engineering Program Manager (N-11) position, and approving the new job description for the Engineering Program Manager.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT EARLING MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ORVIS, TO APPROVE DOWNGRADING THE CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER (N-11) POSITION TO AN ENGINEERING SPECIALIST (N-7) POSITION, RECLASSIFYING THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES ENGINEER (N-9) POSITION TO AN ENGINEERING PROGRAM MANAGER (N-11) POSITION, AND APPROVING THE NEW JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THE ENGINEERING PROGRAM MANAGER POSITION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

14. REPORT ON CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS OF DECEMBER 10 AND 11, 2001

Finance Committee

Council President Earling advised the Committee's December 10 meeting included action on three items, all of which were approved on the December 18 Consent Agenda.

Community Service/Development Services Committee

Councilmember Marin reported the Committee discussed the Olympic View Drive project strategy proposed by Lynnwood. The proposal was for Edmonds to participate in a project to widen Olympic View Drive in the Meadowdale area to Perrinville. City staff recommends a contribution of \$125,000 for two years (a total of \$250,000). Staff indicates this would not impact the City's transportation projects on the CIP and the cooperative effort may improve the City's ability to leverage future TIB grants. The Committee directed staff to schedule this as an agenda item for the full Council in January 2002, and to inform the City of Lynnwood and TIB that the Committee will support a recommendation to the full Council that Edmonds contribute \$250,000 for construction of the Olympic View Drive Roadway Improvement Project.

Public Safety Committee

Councilmember Plunkett reported the Committee reviewed an addendum to the Blumenthal's Uniform Contract (source for Police uniforms) and recommended approval of the contract. The contract was approved on the December 18 Consent Agenda.

15. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Haakenson had no report.

16. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council President Earling reminded Councilmembers of the retreat scheduled for February 1 and 2 and requested any suggestions for agenda items be provided by Tuesday, January 8.

With no further business, the Council meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.