

EDMONDS CITY COUNCIL APPROVED MINUTES

September 11, 2012

The Edmonds City Council meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m. by Mayor Earling in the Council Chambers, 250 5th Avenue North, Edmonds.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT

Dave Earling, Mayor
Strom Peterson, Council President
Lora Petso, Councilmember
Joan Bloom, Councilmember
Kristiana Johnson, Councilmember
Adrienne Fraley-Monillas, Councilmember
Diane Buckshnis, Councilmember

STAFF PRESENT

Phil Williams, Public Works Director
Carrie Hite, Parks & Recreation Director
Rob English, City Engineer
Phil Williams, Public Works Director
Jeff Taraday, City Attorney
Linda Hynd, Deputy City Clerk

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT

Frank Yamamoto, Councilmember

1. CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING POTENTIAL LITIGATION PER RCW 42.30.140(4)(b)

At 5:45 p.m., Mayor Earling called the meeting to order in the Council Chambers located in the Public Safety Complex, 250 5th Ave. N., Edmonds. He announced that the City Council would first convene in executive session regarding potential litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). He stated that the executive session would be held in the Jury Meeting Room and was scheduled to last approximately 15 minutes. No action was anticipated to occur as a result of meeting in executive session. He noted that executive sessions are not open to the public. Elected officials present at the executive session were: Mayor Earling, and Councilmembers Peterson, Petso, Fraley-Monillas, Bloom, and Johnson. Councilmember Buckshnis recused herself. Others present were City Attorney Jeff Taraday, City Attorney Sharon Cates, Public Works Director Phil Williams, City Engineer Rob English and Deputy City Clerk Linda Hynd. The executive session concluded at 6:02 p.m.

Mayor Earling reconvened the regular City Council meeting at 6:04 p.m., asking for a moment of silence in memory of the attack on the United States on 9-11, followed with the flag salute.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

COUNCILMEMBER BUCKSHNIS MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER FRALEY-MONILLAS, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

Councilmember Bloom requested a change to the Public Safety and Personnel Committee Meeting agenda.

COUNCILMEMBER BUCKSHNIS MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERSON, TO APPROVE THE REMAINDER OF THE AGENDA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0).

COUNCILMEMBER BLOOM MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON, TO CHANGE THE ORDER OF ITEMS ON THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA IN ORDER TO BEGIN THE DISCUSSION WITH ITEM C, FOLLOWED BY ITEMS A, B, AND D. MOTION CARRIED (6-0).

COUNCILMEMBER BUCKSHNIS MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ADRIENNE FRALEY-MONILLAS, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA IN CONTENT AND ORDER AS REVISED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0).

3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Johnson pointed out that the City Council Meeting minutes of 8-28-2012 should be pulled and corrected on page six, in the second paragraph, as Mr. Doherty cited, to read: "There is case law that supports the view that those are not public records; they are a Councilmember's own personal notes, not taken at the request of the City, and not used by the City."

COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER PETERSON, TO REVISE THE 8-28-2012 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES TO REFLECT THE SENTENCE ON PAGE 6 IN THE MINUTES BE REVISED TO: "THERE IS CASE LAW THAT SUPPORTS THE VIEW THAT THOSE ARE NOT PUBLIC RECORDS; THEY ARE A COUNCILMEMBER'S OWN PERSONAL NOTES, NOT TAKEN AT THE REQUEST OF THE CITY, AND NOT USED BY THE CITY." MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0).

COUNCIL PRESIDENT PETERSON MOVED, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BUCKSHNIS, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS REVISED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0). The agenda items approved are as follows:

A. ROLL CALL

B. APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 28, 2012 WITH A REVISION MADE TO PAGE SIX.

C. APPROVAL OF CLAIM CHECKS #133953 THROUGH #134054 DATED AUGUST 30, 2012 FOR \$162,148.46 (REPLACEMENT CHECKS #133954 \$175.20, #133968 \$1,285.20, #134011 \$100.00, #134018 \$45.84 & #134036 \$15.50), CLAIM CHECK 134055 DATED AUGUST 31, 2012 FOR \$255.00 AND CLAIM CHECKS #134056 THROUGH #134141 DATED SEPTEMBER 6, 2012 for \$285,258.49 (REPLACEMENT CHECKS #134068 \$2,671.20, #134113 \$15.50 & #134127 \$46,960.40). APPROVAL OF PAYROL DIRECT DEPOSIT & CHECKS #51635 THROUGH #51669 FOR \$467,725.21 AND BENEFIT CHECKS #51670 THROUGH #51682 & WIRE PAYMENTS FOR \$200,548.94 FOR THE PERIOD AUGUST 16, 2012 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2012.

4. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Al Rutledge, 7101 Lake Ballinger Way, Edmonds, commented about training that is going to be provided by Fire District #1 via computer to residents at Lake Ballinger to assist the Fire District in their ability to locate emergency events.

Roger Hertrich, 1020 Puget Drive, Edmonds, pointed out that he did not see any mention regarding chip-seal in the Capital Facilities Plan. He did not understand how the proposal to create a ferry underpass at the Main Street railway crossing worked with the probability of moving the ferry dock. He did not see

any communication with the Ferry System about what their plans are and whether they concur with the City's plans.

5. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Earling noted that he had an opportunity to participate in the 7:03 ceremony at the intersection of 5th and Main, where Debbie Dawson sounded taps in memory of the 9-11 attack. There were around 40 people there, and it was a very solemn, nice moment to observe.

He thanked all of the people who worked so hard to put together the car show this year, with a record number of over 300 cars.

Mayor Earling announced that the Half Marathon event will be taking place this Saturday and they are in urgent need of volunteers to help. They may contact Renee McRae at Parks and Recreation.

6. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Fraley-Monillas asked Mayor Earling if he would like to comment regarding the Lake Ballinger visit. The Mayor stated that a delightful celebration was held at Lake Ballinger the day before yesterday where the Ballinger family deeded some property to the city to allow the city to complete the walking and biking trail extension. A plaque is mounted on 76th Street to commemorate the gift.

Councilmember Buckshnis stated that her uncle thought the car show was great and that there are pictures from that on the dog park Facebook page. She noted that the art tour is coming this weekend. She pointed out that last weekend was great for the Bird Fest. The Annual Salmon Tour, which is October 5th, offers an opportunity to tour every year to see where all of the money is going, mostly to the Little Bear Creek fish passage, which is in the Washington Cedar Sammamish watershed. Salmon can be seen and funding is explained along with how they fix up the creek. It is one of the groups that the city is going to start getting funding for the smaller streams.

Councilmember Johnson explained that on Sunday, September 16, the Police Department will be having an open house from 12:00 – 5:00 p.m. There will be a canine unit there. She mentioned that the Edmonds Museum is having an exhibit that is celebrating 100 years of the Edmonds Police Department and she displayed the flyers that talk about that. She invited the public to attend.

Ms. Johnson stated that she and Councilmember Bloom attended the 9-11 ceremony today at 6th and Sprague and there is going to be a permanent memorial to 9-11 consisting of an I-beam from one of the Twin Towers. To raise money for the memorial, they are raffling a glass fire helmet just before the end of the year and the tickets cost approximately \$34.30.

Councilmember Bloom also enjoyed the 9-11 ceremony. She noted that the Planning Board is meeting again tomorrow and they are dealing with a number of items that are also on the Port Master Plan proposal and the proposed change to the Comprehensive Plan as a result and she has been at the last two meetings and has found it invaluable learning about what they are proposing and the questions that the Planning Board is asking. She encouraged people who have any interest in the future of the waterfront activity center to attend that meeting or listen to it on Channel 21 or 39.

7. ADJOURN

With no further business, the Council meeting adjourned to Committee meetings at 6:22 p.m.