

**City of Covington
Special & Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 10, 2015**

(This meeting was recorded and will be retained for a period of six years from the date of the meeting).

INTERVIEWS– 6:40-7:00 P.M.:

The Council conducted an interview for one position open on the Arts Commission and one youth position open on the Human Services Commission. The applicant interviewed was Nia Dhillon.

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Covington was called to order in the City Council Chambers, 16720 SE 271st Street, Suite 100, Covington, Washington, Tuesday, March 10, 2015, at 7:05 p.m., with Mayor Margaret Harto presiding.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:

Margaret Harto, Joe Cimaomo, Mark Lanza, Marlla Mhoon, Jim Scott, Sean Smith, and Jeff Wagner.

STAFF PRESENT:

Regan Bolli, City Manager; Don Vondran, Public Works Director; Noreen Beaufriere, Personnel Manager; Rob Hendrickson, Finance Director; Kevin Klason, Covington Police Chief; Richard Hart, Community Development Director; Karla Slate, Communications & Marketing Manager; Scott Thomas, Parks & Recreation Director; Sara Springer, City Attorney; Bob Lindskov, City Engineer; and Sharon Scott, City Clerk/Executive Assistant.

Mayor Harto opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Council Action: Councilmember Cimaomo moved and Councilmember Mhoon seconded to approve the Agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Wagner moved and Councilmember Scott seconded to amend the Agenda to add New Business Item No. 3 – Appointment to the Human Services Commission. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:

- King County Councilmember Reagan Dunn provided his annual update on what currently is happening at the county level and how it interfaces with the city.
- Arts Commissioners Lesli Cohan and Leslie Spero accepted the March 2015 Youth Art Month Proclamation.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Harto called for public comments.

Patricia Lynch, 17015 SE Wax Road, Covington, reminded Council she had been at the previous council meeting to provide comments on the additional traffic on Wax Road due to the sewer project. Ms. Lynch advised that police officers had been out to monitor how the schools were doing, and noted that the school does have crossing guards. Ms. Lynch, however, suggested that the speed limit be lowered for that stretch as traffic appears to be going over 35 mph during the day and also suggested that police officers monitor the area during non crossing guard hours.

There being no further comments, Mayor Harto closed the public comment period.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

C-1. Minutes: February 24, 2015 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes.

C-2. Vouchers: Vouchers #32188-32242, including ACH Payments and Electronic Funds Transfers, in the Amount of \$338,075.94, Dated February 20, 2015; and Paylocity Payroll Checks #1003454296-1003454308 inclusive, Plus Employee Direct Deposits in the Amount of \$168,284.01, Dated February 27, 2015.

C-3. Approve Parametrix Contract for Biologist Services.

C-4. Extend Interlocal Agreement with Regional Animal Services of King County.

Council Action: Mayor Pro Tem Wagner moved and Councilmember Mhoon seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING:

1. Receive Comments and Consider Ordinance Extending Interim Zoning Regulations Regarding Recreational Marijuana.

Community Development Director Richard Hart gave the staff report on this item.

Councilmembers asked questions, and Mr. Hart and City Attorney Sara Springer provided responses.

Mayor Harto called for public comments for the public hearing.

There being no comments, Mayor Harto closed the public comment period for the public hearing.

ORDINANCE NO. 03-15

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, WASHINGTON, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 06-14 TO EXTEND THE INTERIM ZONING REGULATIONS FOR RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA PRODUCTION, PROCESSING, AND

RETAIL USES FOR AN ADDITIONAL SIX MONTHS; PROVIDING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE EXTENSION; ADOPTING FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Council Action: Councilmember Scott moved and Mayor Pro Tem Wagner seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 03-15 extending the current interim zoning regulations for recreational marijuana production, processing, and retail uses for an additional six months. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

2. Approve City Manager Merit Goals for 2015.

City Manager Regan Bolli gave the staff report on this item.

Councilmembers each selected three top choices from the list provided in the agenda packet and discussed.

Council Action: Mayor Pro Tem Wagner moved and Councilmember Mhoon seconded to approve the 2015 Merit Goals for the City Manager as follows:

1) Plan for Hawk Property development. Research and possibly create Community Facility District. Work with developer on construction of the Covington Connector Street if funded.

2) Develop Town Center renderings for marketing material, establish plan to purchase school property, and plan open house events for community and schools.

3) Create a Parks and Recreation Priorities Advisory Committee (PrePAC).

Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

3. Consider an Appointment to the Human Services Commission.

Council Action: Councilmember Mhoon moved and Councilmember Lanza seconded to appoint Nia Dhillon to fill Youth Position No. 5 on the Human Services Commission with a term expiring March 31, 2016. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS:

Councilmembers and staff discussed Future Agenda Topics and made comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mayor Harto called for public comments.

There being no comments, Mayor Harto closed the public comment period.

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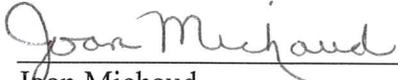
EXECUTIVE SESSION:

To discuss potential litigation pursuant to (RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)) from 8:20 to 8:35 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

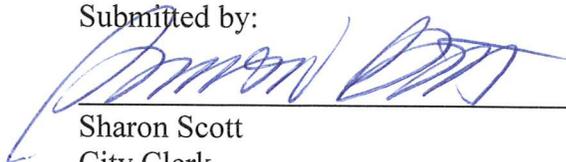
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Prepared by:



Jean Michaud
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Submitted by:



Sharon Scott
City Clerk