

March 27, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes
Approved: April 10, 2012

**City of Covington
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 27, 2012**

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

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 27, 2012, at 7:10 p.m., with Mayor Harto presiding.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:

Margaret Harto, Mark Lanza, David Lucavish, Marlla Mhoon, Jim Scott, Wayne Snoey, and Jeff Wagner.

STAFF PRESENT:

Scott Thomas, Acting City Manager; Glenn Akramoff, Public Works Director; Noreen Beaufriere, Personnel Manager; Richard Hart, Community Development Director; Rob Hendrickson, Finance Director; Kevin Klason, Covington Police Chief; Karla Slate, Community Relations Coordinator; Sara Springer, City Attorney; Don Vondran, City Engineer; and Sharon Scott, City Clerk/Executive Assistant.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Girl Scout Cadette Troop #42855.

Mayor Harto welcomed all the Girls Scouts attending which included Brownies, Juniors, Cadettes, and a Senior Girl Scout. Mayor Harto recognized Girl Scout Jasmine Reinhart for recently earning her silver award and recognized all the girls recently earning their bronze award. Mayor Harto also called attention to all the Girl Scout leadership in attendance and thanked them for their service.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Council Action: Councilmember Wagner moved and Councilmember Lucavish seconded to approve the Agenda as amended to remove the Executive Session. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:

- Parks & Recreation Commissioner Kollin Higgins accepted the Arbor Day Proclamation.
- Council presented proclamations to Japanese exchange students and teachers from Abuno High and Kitano High in Osaka, Japan, in recognition of International Student Exchange Day in Covington.
- Fiona Higgins, Girl Scouts of Western Washington Cadette Troop #42855, accepted the 100th Anniversary of Girl Scouts of America Proclamation.

Council recessed from 7:43 to 8:04 p.m. for a brief reception to welcome the exchange students and teachers.

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PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Harto called for public comments.

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

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

C-1. Vouchers #27380-27443, in the Amount of \$66,385.41, Dated March 6, 2012; Voucher #27444-27444, in the Amount of \$452.13, Dated March 15, 2012; Paylocity Payroll Checks #1000416563-1000416571 and Paylocity Payroll Checks #1000416655-1000416656 Inclusive, Plus Employee Direct Deposits in the Amount of \$137,948.54, Dated March 16, 2012.

C-2. Contract with SBS Legal Services, PLLC for 2012 City Attorney Services.

C-3. Federal and/or State Emergency Disaster Assistance Funds Authorization Letter.

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

REPORTS OF COMMISSIONS:

Human Services Commission – No report.

Arts Commission – Chair Sandy Bisordi reported on the March 8 meeting.

Planning Commission – Community Development Director Richard Hart reported on the March 1 meeting.

Parks & Recreation Commission – Commissioner Kollin Higgins reported on the March 21 meeting.

Economic Development Council – Co-Chair Jeff Wagner reported on the March 22 meeting.

Budget Priorities Advisory Committee - Liaison Darren Dofelmier reported on the March 7 and March 21 meetings.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discuss Proposed Employee Compensation Program Procedure.

Personnel Manager Noreen Beaufriere gave the staff report on this item.

Councilmembers provided comments and asked questions, and Ms. Beaufriere provided responses.

Council Action: There was Council consensus to add this item to the consent agenda for the April 10 Council meeting.

2. Award Design Contract for CIP 1127 (SR 516: Jenkins Creek to 185th Place SE).

Council Action: Councilmember Lanza moved and Councilmember Wagner seconded to authorize the city manager to sign an agreement for services with Tetra Tech to design construction plans for the SR 516 – Jenkins Creek to 185th Place SE (CIP 1127) Project. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

3. Presentation of 2011 Year End Financials.

Finance Director Rob Hendrickson gave the staff report on this item.

Councilmembers had no comments or questions at this time on the financial report.

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS:

Councilmembers and staff discussed Future Agenda Topics and made comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mayor Harto called for public comments.

Chele Dimmett, 26626 180th Avenue SE, Covington, applauded Ms. Beaufriere and the city for the creative employee compensation program. Ms. Dimmett also applauded Mayor Pro Tem Jeff Wagner for participating in the Auburn Chamber mock job interviews. Ms. Dimmett reminded Council of the invitation to the Timberlane Homes Association April 19 meeting where Covington would be recognized for its assistance to Timberlane in improving its community.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

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