

**City of Covington
Special & Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 28, 2013**

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

INTERVIEWS– 6:00-7:00 P.M.:

The Council conducted an interview for an opening on the Covington Arts Commission. Applicant interviewed was Aunna Moriarty. The Council conducted interviews for an opening on the Covington Planning Commission. Applicants interviewed included Gloria Foss and Jennifer Gilbert-Smith.

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, May 28, 2013, at 7:03 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:

Derek Matheson, City Manager; Noreen Beaufriere, Personnel Manager; Kevin Klason, Covington Police Chief; Karla Slate, Community Relations Coordinator; Scott Thomas, Parks & Recreation Director; Sara Springer, City Attorney; Pat Patterson, Recreation Manager; and Sharon Scott, City Clerk/Executive Assistant.

Mayor Harto opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Council Action: Councilmember Snoey moved and Mayor Pro Tem Wagner seconded to approve the Agenda as amended to remove Public Communication and switch agenda items No. 3 and No. 4 to match the agenda packet materials. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Harto called for public comments.

Leroy Stevenson, 26838 166th Place SE, Covington, spoke in opposition to the utility tax and stated that more than the six percent was being taxed by the utilities, from 6.65 percent or 6.35 percent depending on the utility, as it appears the tax is being taxed on the total plus the other taxes on the bill.

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

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

- C-1. Vouchers: Vouchers #29423—29495, in the Amount of \$242,681.96, Dated May 13, 2013; and Paylocity Payroll Checks #1001269919-1001269938 Inclusive, Plus Employee Direct Deposits in the Amount of \$158,318.85, Dated May 24, 2013.
- C-2. Appoint Delegate(s) for Association of Washington Cities Annual Business Meeting.
- C-3. Covington Community Sports Agreement to Use Kent School District Facilities.

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

REPORTS OF COMMISSIONS:

Human Services Commission – Chair Haris Ahmad reported on the April 11 and May 9 meetings.

Arts Commission – Chair Sandy Bisordi reported on the May 9 meeting.

Parks & Recreation Commission – Chair Steven Pand reported on the May 15 meeting.

Planning Commission – Chair Daniel Key reported on the May 2 meeting. The May 16 meeting was canceled.

Economic Development Council – Co-Chair Jeff Wagner reported on the April 25 and May 23 meetings.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Potential Litigation (RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)) and Real Estate Acquisition (RCW 42.30.110(1) (c)) from 7:27 to 7:55 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Consider Appointment to Arts Commission.

Council Action: Mayor Pro Tem Wagner moved and Councilmember Lanza seconded to appoint Aunna Moriarty to fill open Position No. 4 on the Arts Commission with a term expiring May 31, 2014. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

- 2. Consider Appointment to Planning Commission.

Council Action: Councilmember Lucavish moved and Mayor Pro Tem Wagner seconded to appoint Jennifer Gilbert-Smith to fill a replacement position on the Planning Commission with a term expiring August 31, 2015. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

- 3. Resolution in Strong Support of a 2013 Transportation Investment Package.

City Manager Derek Matheson offered to respond to any questions Council might have on this item.

Councilmembers discussed and provided comments.

RESOLUTION NO. 13-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, IN STRONG SUPPORT OF A 2013 TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT PACKAGE

Council Action: Mayor Pro Tem Wagner moved and Councilmember Lucavish seconded to adopt Resolution No. 13-03 in strong support of a 2013 Transportation Investment Package. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

4. Discuss Field Use Fees.

Parks & Recreation Director Scott Thomas gave the staff report on this item.

Councilmembers provided comments, asked questions, and provided direction to staff. Mr. Thomas provided responses.

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS:

Councilmembers and staff discussed Future Agenda Topics and made comments.

Council requested a handout and future agenda item to explain the formula for the utility tax.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mayor Harto called for public comments.

Steve Pand, Covington residents, thanked Council for comments on parks and support in efforts to get this far.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

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