

**City of Covington
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 23, 2014**

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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, September 23, 2014, at 7:05 p.m., with Mayor Harto presiding.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:

Margaret Harto, Joe Cimaomo, Mark Lanza, Marlla Mhoon, Jim Scott, Wayne Snoey (arrived @ 7:25 p.m.), and Jeff Wagner.

Council Action: Councilmember Scott moved and Councilmember Mhoon seconded to excuse Councilmember Snoey who would be arriving late. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.

STAFF PRESENT:

Rob Hendrickson, Interim City Manager; Don Vondran, Public Works Director; Noreen Beaufrere, Personnel Manager; Casey Parker, Deputy Finance Director; Kevin Klason, Covington Police Chief; Richard Hart, Community Development Director; Scott Thomas, Parks & Recreation Director; Sara Springer, City Attorney; Bob Lindskov, City Engineer; Shellie Bates, Programs Supervisor; 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 Lanza seconded to approve the Agenda.

Mayor Pro Tem Wagner moved and Councilmember Scott seconded to approve the Agenda as amended to move Council/Staff Comments – Future Agenda Topics to after the Public Hearing and before Continued Business and to add an Executive Session after Continued Business and before New Business. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:

- Captain Kyle Ohashi, Kent Regional Fire Authority, accepted a proclamation for Fire Prevention Week.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Harto called for public comments.

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

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APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

C-1. Minutes: City Council July 8, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes and City Council July 22, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes.

C-2. Vouchers: Vouchers #31495-31542, including ACH Payments, in the Amount of \$202,176.99, Dated September 2, 2014; and Paylocity Payroll Checks #1002824137-1002824155 and Paylocity Payroll Checks #1002824172-1002824172 Inclusive, Plus Employee Direct Deposits in the Amount of \$163,266.78, Dated September 12, 2014.

C-3. Award Street Sweeping Contract.

Council Action: Mayor Pro Tem Wagner moved and Councilmember Mhoon seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF COMMISSIONS:

Human Services Commission – Chair Fran McGregor reported on the August 14 and September 11 meetings.

Parks & Recreation Commission – Chair Steven Pand reported on the August 20 meeting; the September 17 meeting was canceled.

Planning Commission – Community Development Director Richard Hart reported on the August 21 and September 18 meetings; the September 4 meeting was canceled.

Arts Commission – Vice Chair Ed White reported on the August 14 and September 11 meetings.

Economic Development Council – Co-Chair Jeff Wagner reported that the July 24 and August 28 meetings.

PUBLIC HEARING:

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

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

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. 12-14

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: Mayor Pro Tem Wagner moved and Councilmember Snoey seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 12-14 extending the interim zoning regulations for recreational marijuana production, processing, and retail uses for an additional six months. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS:

Councilmembers and staff discussed Future Agenda Topics and made comments.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

2. Continue Discussion of Right of Way Design Guidelines.

Public Works Director Don Vondran gave the staff report on this item.

Councilmembers provided comments and asked questions, and Mr. Vondran provided responses.

Council Action: There was Council consensus to direct staff to present the design options to the Arts Commission to receive commissioners' input and ideas regarding an art element.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Potential Litigation. (RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)) from 8:03 to 8:37 p.m.

Mayor Harto announced the City Council would move into Executive Session for 20 minutes. At 8:20 p.m. Interim City Manager Rob Hendrickson announced the Executive Session would continue for another 10 minutes.

NEW BUSINESS:

3. Adopt Hazard Mitigation Plan Resolution.

Public Works Director Don Vondran gave the staff report on this item.

Councilmembers provided comments and compliments.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-16

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN.

Council Action: Councilmember Snoey moved and Mayor Pro Tem Wagner seconded to pass Resolution No. 14-16 adopting the City of Covington Hazard Mitigation Plan. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

4. Discuss Letter to School District on Waiver of School Impact Fees for Town Center Mixed-Use Project.

Councilmember Lanza recused himself from this item and left the Council Chambers.

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

Council Action: Councilmember Mhoon moved and Councilmember Scott seconded to authorize the Mayor to work with city staff to draft and send a letter on behalf of the City Council to the Kent School District and the Kent School District Board indicating the City's position that it retains the authority to implement the low income school impact fee exemption. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.

Councilmember Lanza returned to the Council Chambers and rejoined the meeting at 9:03 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mayor Harto called for public comments.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

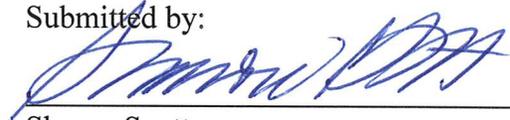
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

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City Clerk