

January 28, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes  
Approved: February 11, 2014

**City of Covington  
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, January 28, 2014**

(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 271<sup>st</sup> Street, Suite 100, Covington, Washington, Tuesday, January 28, 2014, at 7:00 p.m., with Mayor Harto presiding.

**COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:**

Margaret Harto, Joe Cimaomo, Mark Lanza, Marlla Mhoon, Jim Scott, Wayne Snoey, and Jeff Wagner.

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Derek Matheson, City Manager; Noreen Beaufriere, Personnel Manager; Richard Hart, Community Development Director; Rob Hendrickson, Finance Director; Kevin Klason, Covington Police Chief; Karla Slate, Communications & Marketing Manager; Sara Springer, City Attorney; Scott Thomas, Parks & Recreation Director; Don Vondran, Public Works Director; Salina Lyons, Principal Planner; Ann Mueller, Senior Planner, Mayson Morrissey, Sr. Information Systems Administrator; and Sharon Scott, City Clerk/Executive Assistant.

Mayor Harto opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

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

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:**

- Keith Drury was honored with the 2013 Volunteer of the Year Award.

Councilmembers recessed for a reception honoring the volunteer of the year from 7:06 to 7:23 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mayor Harto called for public comments.

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

**APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:**

C-1. Minutes: December 10, 2013 City Council Special Joint Study Session with Planning Commission Minutes and December 10, 2013 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes.

C-2. Vouchers: Vouchers #30491-30596, in the Amount of \$126,159.41, Dated January 7, 2014; and Paylocity Payroll Checks #1001972290-1001972298 and Paylocity Payroll

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Check #1001972325-1001972325 Inclusive, Plus Employee Direct Deposits in the Amount of \$152,107.89, Dated January 17, 2014.

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

**REPORTS OF COMMISSIONS:**

**Human Services Commission** – Chair Haris Ahmad reported on the January 9 meeting.

**Arts Commission** – Chair Sandy Bisordi reported on the December 12 regular meeting and January 18 annual retreat.

**Parks & Recreation Commission** – Chair Steven Pand reported on the December 18 and January 15 meetings.

**Planning Commission** – Chair Sean Smith reported on the January 2 meeting.

**Economic Development Council** – Co-Chair Jeff Wagner reported on the December 12 special meeting and January 23 regular meeting.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

1. Receive Testimony from the Public Regarding Hawk Property Subarea Plan and Planned Action Ordinance.

Community Development Director Richard Hart provided the opening remarks on this item and then turned the presentation over to Bill Stalzer from Stalzer & Associates and Lisa Grueter from BERK Consulting.

Mayor Harto called for public comments for the public hearing.

**Peter Rimbo, Greater Maple Valley Unincorporated Area Council**, spoke regarding several remaining outstanding transportation issues: SR-516, the Maple Valley Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP), the Black Diamond Master-Planned Developments (MPDs), the Transportation Concurrency, and funding. Mr. Rimbo submitted a letter to the City Clerk that provided detailed comments from the Greater Maple Valley Unincorporated Area Council.

**Colin Lund, Oakpointe Holdings**, praised the Council and Planning Commission for the progress on this project and provided comments on a minor conflict in the plan regarding townhouses.

**Allie Floro, 25707 177<sup>th</sup> Place SE, Covington resident**, spoke in favor of the project regarding the walking trails, parks, and outdoor activities and expressed her desire for planned connections to existing trails/parks.

**Charlotte Sanchez, 25011 214<sup>th</sup> Place, Maple Valley**, expressed her concerns over how close the road connection from 204<sup>th</sup> to SR18 would be to Cedar Creek Park as she and several others

walk their dogs at this park. Ms. Sanchez also spoke in support of establishing an off leash dog park in the area as she now has to travel quite a distance to other cities.

**Ben Daniels, 25303 176<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, Covington**, reported to Council that he lives near the fire station on 256th and requested sidewalk connections to the project.

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

Councilmember Mhoon asked a question regarding the walk ability of the overpass to access the project area, and Principal Planner Salina Lyons provided a response.

**COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS:**

Councilmembers and staff discussed Future Agenda Topics and made comments.

City Manager Derek Matheson asked for Council direction regarding Councilmember Snoey's suggestion to make civil infractions an option for all park regulation violations.

**Council Action: There was Council consensus to bring an ordinance regarding the civil infractions options to a future Council meeting this year.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mayor Harto called for public comments.

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

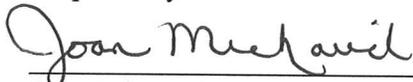
**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Review the Performance of a Public Employee (RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)) from 8:55 to 10:15 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

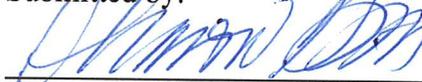
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

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