

August 14, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes
Approved: September 11, 2012

**City of Covington
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, August 14, 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, August 14, 2012, at 7:05 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; Glenn Akramoff, Public Works Director; Noreen Beaufriere, Personnel Manager; Richard Hart, Community Development Director; Kevin Klason, Covington Police Chief; Karla Slate, Community Relations Coordinator; Sara Springer, City Attorney; Scott Thomas, Parks & Recreation Director; Casey Parker, Senior Accountant; and Sharon Scott, City Clerk/Executive Assistant.

Mayor Harto opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:

Robert Thorpe of R.W. Thorpe & Associates, Inc. gave a presentation on the Northern Gateway Area Study: "Covington Developable Parcel Inventory."

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Harto called for public comments.

Colin Lund, Yarrow Bay, representing Oak Point, 10220 NE Points Drive, Kirkland, WA 98033, spoke in support of the Northern Gateway coming into the City of Covington and mentioned Oak Point has a project it would like to develop there.

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

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

C-1. Minutes of July 10, 2012 City Council Special and Regular Meetings and Minutes of July 24, 2012 City Council Regular Meeting.

C-2. Vouchers #28002-28003, in the Amount of \$1,685.28, Dated July 18, 2012; Vouchers #28004-28063, in the Amount of \$435,345.01, Dated July 23, 2012; and Paylocity

August 14, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes

Approved: September 11, 2012

Payroll Checks #1000655309-1000655326 Inclusive, Plus Employee Direct Deposits in the Amount of \$153,007.59, Dated August 3, 2012.

C-3. Accept Department of Ecology Grant and Award Construction Contract for Aqua Vista Drainage Improvements.

C-4. Accept Covington Water District Easement Agreement.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discuss Planning Commission Recommendation on Proposed 2012 Comprehensive Plan Amendments.

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

Councilmembers provided comments.

Councilmember Mhoon moved to pass Ordinance Option 1 – Adopting All Three Docketed Items. There was no second.

Council Action: Councilmember Wagner moved and Councilmember Snoey seconded to pass Ordinance Option 2 – Adopting Only CPA 2012-02 (Relating to Annexation). Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

Councilmembers provided comments and asked questions, and Mr. Hart provided responses to clarify. Councilmembers provided additional comments.

Council Action: Councilmember Snoey moved and Councilmember Scott seconded to cancel previous action. Vote: 6-1 (Voting yes: Harto, Lanza, Mhoon, Scott, Snoey and Wagner; voting no: Lucavish). Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 14-12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, UPDATING THE CITY OF COVINGTON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY AMENDING THE DOWNTOWN ELEMENT, CHAPTER 4; AMENDING THE COVINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE (CMC) SECTION 18.31 DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AND DESIGN STANDARDS; AMENDING THE INTRODUCTION CHAPTER, LAND USE ELEMENT-CHAPTER 1; AND ADDING A NEW APPENDIX T-3 OF THE COVINGTON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, RELATING TO NEW ANNEXATION POLICIES.

Council Action: Councilmember Snoey moved and Councilmember Mhoon seconded to pass Option 1 – Adopting All Three Docketed Items: Ordinance No. 14-12 updating the City of Covington’s Comprehensive Plan by amending the Downtown Element, Chapter 4; amending the Covington Municipal Code Chapter 18.31, Downtown Development and Design Standards; amending the Introduction Chapter, Chapter 1-Land Use, and new appendix (T-3), relating to annexation policies, in accordance with attached Exhibits A-C. Vote: 5-2 (Voting yes: Harto, Lanza, Mhoon, Snoey, and Wagner; voting no: Lucavish and Scott). Motion carried.

2. Northern Gateway Progress Report.

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

Councilmembers provided comments and asked questions, and responses were provided.

Council Action: Councilmember Wagner moved and Councilmember Snoey seconded to choose Option B: to transmit the final Phase 1 of the Northern Gateway UGA Analysis and Annexation Study to King County Council for consideration of expansion of the UGA as part of the 2012 King County Comprehensive Plan update process and direct the City Manager to implement that option and return to the council with any appropriate advocacy strategies. Council further directs staff to proceed with Phase II of the Northern Gateway UGA Analysis and Annexation Study as originally envisioned and directs staff to seek financial support for the study from one or both private party interests, as they desire, for participation in Phase II. Vote: 6-1 (Voting yes: Harto, Lanza, Lucavish, Scott, Snoey, and Wagner; voting no: Mhoon). Motion carried.

Council Action: Councilmember Scott moved and Councilmember Mhoon seconded to appoint Councilmembers Snoey and Wagner to work with staff to develop an advocacy strategy. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.

Council Action: There was Council consensus to request staff to revise the draft letter to the King County Council, create a final form for the Mayor’s signature, and send the letter to request the addition of the Jenkins Creek Notch to the UGA.

Council recessed at 8:55 p.m. for a short break and reconvened at 9:00 p.m.

3. 2012 Second Quarter Financial Report.

Senior Accountant Casey Parker gave the staff report on this item.

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

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS:

Councilmembers and staff discussed Future Agenda Topics and made comments.

Council Action: There was Council consensus to cancel the August 28 regular meeting.

August 14, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes
Approved: September 11, 2012

Mayor Harto expressed interest in honoring former Kentlake High School student and volleyball athlete Courtney Thompson at a future Council meeting for her accomplishment as a silver medalist in the 2012 Summer Olympic Games.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mayor Harto called for public comments.

Chele Dimmett, 26626 190th Avenue SE, representing Timberlane, reported on the “Trash and Bash” event in Timberlane and thanked Council for attending National Night Out.

Colin Lund, Yarrow Bay, representing Oak Point, 10220 NE Points Drive, Kirkland, WA 98033, thanked Council for the thoughtful discussion and decisions made.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

Prepared by:

Submitted by:

Joan Michaud
Senior Deputy City Clerk

Sharon Scott
City Clerk