January 24, 2017 Special & Regular Meeting Minutes
Approved: February 14, 2017

City of Covington
Special & Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 24, 2017

INTERVIEWS—6:20-7:00 P.M.:
The Council conducted interviews for openings on the Parks & Recreation Commission.
Applicants interviewed included Steve Pand and Zbigniew Tomalik.

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, January 24, 2017, at 7:03 p.m., with Mayor Pro Tem Smith presiding until Mayor Wagner’s arrival.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:
Jeff Wagner (arrived @ 7:11 p.m.), Margaret Harto, Fran Hollums, Mark Lanza, Marilla Mhoon, and Sean Smith.

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:
Joe Cimaomo.

Council Action: Councilmember Harto moved and Councilmember Hollums seconded to excuse Mayor Wagner who would be arriving late and Councilmember Cimaomo who was ill. Vote: 5-0. Motion carried.

STAFF PRESENT:
Regan Bolli, City Manager; Andrew McCurdy, Covington Police Chief; Ethan Newton, Parks & Recreation Director; Don Vondran, Public Works Director; Salina Lyons, Principal Planner; Rob Hendrickson, Finance Director; Sara Springer, City Attorney; Bob Lindskov, City Engineer; and Joan Michaud, Sr. Deputy City Clerk.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
Council Action: Councilmember Mhoon moved and Councilmember Hollums seconded to approve the Agenda as amended to move Consent Item C-5 to New Business Item 3. Vote: 5-0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:
- Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority Public Information Officer Captain Kyle Ohashi along with other PSRFA representatives recognized Covington Police Chief Andrew McCurdy for his efforts during a December CPR call in which Chief McCurdy used his AED to shock a patient’s heart; thereby helping save the person’s life.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
Mayor Pro Tem Smith called for public comments.
Sheryl Ward, Covington resident, spoke regarding her thankfulness of the recent enlightening Lakepointe open house.

Elizabeth Porter, Covington resident, also spoke on the Lakepointe open house and her concerns regarding the project. Ms. Porter informed the Council she looked forward to the upcoming public hearing.

There being no further comments, Mayor Pro Tem Smith closed the public comment period.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith then turned the meeting over to Mayor Wagner to preside.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

C-1. Minutes: January 10, 2017 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.


C-3. Authorize Department of Commerce Grant for Covington Community Park Phase 2 Design and Construction.

C-4. Authorize Amendment to Conservation Futures Interlocal Agreement with King County for Open Space Acquisition for SoCo Park/Jenkins Creek Trail Project.

C-6. Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with Mahto Construction Inc. for Fence Installation at Covington Community Park.

Council Action: Councilmember Mhoon moved and Councilmember Hollums seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as amended with Consent Item C-5 moved to New Business Item No. 3. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF COMMISSIONS:

Human Services Commission – Member Chris Dupuis reported on the January 12 visit to Auburn Youth Resources. The December meeting was canceled.

Parks & Recreation Commission – Chair Laura Morrissey reported on the January 18 meeting. The December meeting was canceled.

Arts Commission – Vice Chair Ed White reported on the December 16 special meeting and the January 12 regular meeting.

Planning Commission – There was no report available for the January 19 meeting. The December meetings and the January 5 meeting were canceled.
Economic Development Council – Co-Chair Krista Bates reported on the December 1 special meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:
1. Consider Appointments to Parks & Recreation Commission.

Council Action: Councilmember Mhoon moved and Mayor Pro Tem Smith seconded to appoint Zbigniew Tomalik to fill Position No. 1 on the Parks & Recreation Commission with a term expiring January 31, 2020. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.


2. Review the 2016 Summit Action Items List.

City Manager Regan Bolli gave the staff report on this item.

3. (former C-5) Authorize City Manager to Execute First Amendment to School Resource Officer Agreement with Kent School District.

Covington Police Chief Andrew McCurdy gave the staff report on this item.

Councilmember Harto provided comments on this item regarding the mutual benefits of this agreement and the great relationships it provides with students and parents.

Council Action: Councilmember Harto moved and Councilmember Mhoon seconded to authorize the city manager to execute the First Amendment to the School Resource Officer Agreement with the Kent School District, in substantial form as that provided in the agenda packet, to extend the term through the 2016-2017 school year and amend the duties of the School Resource Officer during the summer term. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:
Councilmembers reviewed future agenda items.

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS:
Councilmembers and staff made comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
Mayor Wagner called for public comments.

Sean P. Kelly, Superintendent of Operations, Tahoma School District, Mayor of Maple Valley, thanked the Public Works Department staff for its outstanding job in keeping the roads safe for students and parents during recent inclement weather events.
Mary Pritchard, Covington resident, provided comments on her desire to ban plastic bags at stores and Styrofoam containers at restaurants in Covington. Mrs. Pritchard also requested information on the latest in emergency preparedness plan for Covington.

Chris Dupuis, Covington resident, informed Council on the next homeless count which would include Covington and that a report on the count would be coming out soon.

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

ADJOURNMENT:
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

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