City of Covington
Special & Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 23, 2017

INTERVIEWS—5:40-7:00 P.M.: 
The Council conducted interviews for the Human Services Commission, Parks & Recreation Commission, and Arts Commission. Applicants interviewed included Jaquelyn Ball, Sheryl Ward, Cynthia Whitaker, and Jennifer Harjehausen.

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 23, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., with Mayor Pro Tem Smith presiding.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:
Joe Cimaomo, Margaret Harto (left @ 8:38 p.m.), Fran Hollums, Mark Lanza, Marilla Mhoon, and Sean Smith.

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:
Jeff Wagner.

Council Action: Councilmember Cimaomo moved and Councilmember Mhoon seconded to excuse Mayor Wagner. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.

STAFF PRESENT:
Regan Bolli, City Manager; Andrew McCurdy, Covington Police Chief; Ethan Newton, Parks & Recreation Director; Don Vondran, Public Works Director; Richard Hart, Community Development Director; Kathy Hardy, City Attorney; and Sharon Scott, City Clerk/Executive Assistant.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
Council Action: Councilmember Hollums moved and Councilmember Mhoon seconded to approve the Agenda. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
Mayor Pro Tem Smith called for public comments.

Leroy Stevenson, Covington resident, spoke on the benefits of living inside or outside of the city limits.

Chris May, Covington resident, spoke about taxes and growth.

There being no further comments, Mayor Pro Tem Smith closed the public comment period.
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APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:
C-1. Vouchers: Vouchers #35782-35841, including ACH payments and electronic fund transfers in the amount of $517,278.36, dated May 12, 2017; and Paylocity Payroll Vouchers #1006812856-#1006812875 inclusive, plus employee direct deposits and wire transfers, in the amount of $199,624.41, dated May 5, 2017.


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

REPORTS OF COMMISSIONS:
Human Services Commission – no report.

Arts Commission – Chair Lesli Cohan reported on the May 11 meeting.

Parks & Recreation Commission – Chair Laura Morrissey reported on the May 17 special meeting.

Planning Commission – Community Development Director Richard Hart reported on the May 18 meeting. The May 4 meeting was canceled.

Economic Development Council – Co-Chair Krista Bates reported on the April 27 meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING:
1. Receive Public Testimony on Proposed Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program.

City Engineer Bob Lindskov gave the staff report on this item.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith called for comments for the public hearing.

Leroy Stevenson, Covington resident, suggested eliminating planting strips or having only grass rather than bushes.

Chris May, Covington resident, suggested an adopt-a-roundabout program. Ms. May asked Council to consider people who could be displaced by improvements. Ms. May also spoke about open space that has been taken and spoke about traffic.

There being no further comments, Mayor Pro Tem Smith closed the comment period for the public hearing.
NEW BUSINESS:
2. Consider Appointments to Arts Commission.

Council Action: Councilmember Mhoon moved and Councilmember Hollums seconded to appoint Cynthia Whitaker to fill Position No. 3 on the Arts Commission with a term expiring May 31, 2020. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.

Council Action: Councilmember Cimaomo moved and Councilmember Lanza seconded to appoint Jennifer Harjehausen to fill Position No. 4 on the Arts Commission with a term expiring May 31, 2020. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.

3. Consider Appointment to Parks & Recreation Commission.

Council Action: Councilmember Harto moved and Councilmember Hollums seconded to appoint Sheryl Ward to fill replacement Position No. 7 on the Parks & Recreation Commission with a term expiring January 31, 2019. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.


Council Action: Councilmember Harto moved and Councilmember Mhoon seconded to appoint Jaquelyn Ball to fill adult Position No. 6 on the Human Services Commission with a term expiring March 31, 2019. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.

5. Consider Ordinance Authorizing City Manager to Acquire, Dispose or Lease Certain Real Property Interests for Installing and Maintaining Certain Intersection and Road Improvements on SE 272nd Street (CIP 1127).

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

ORDINANCE NO: 04-2017

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACQUIRE, DISPOSE, OR LEASE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY INTERESTS BY NEGOTIATED VOLUNTARY DONATION, NEGOTIATED VOLUNTARY PURCHASE, UNDER THREAT OF CONDEMNATION, BY CONDEMNATION, BY SETTLING CONDEMNATION LITIGATION OR ENTERING ADMINISTRATIVE SETTLEMENTS, AND TO PAY ELIGIBLE RELOCATION AND REESTABLISHMENT BENEFITS TO AFFECTED PARTIES AS NECESSARY FOR THE PURPOSE OF INSTALLING AND MAINTAINING CERTAIN INTERSECTION AND ROAD IMPROVEMENTS ON SE 272ND STREET, COVINGTON, WA.

Council Action: Councilmember Mhoon moved and Councilmember Harto seconded to approve Ordinance No. 04-2017 authorizing the City Manager to acquire, dispose, or lease
certain real property interests for the purpose of installing and maintaining certain intersection and road improvements on SE 272nd Street. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:
Councilmembers reviewed future agenda items.

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS:
Councilmembers and staff made comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
Mayor Pro Tem Smith called for public comments.

Elizabeth Porter, Covington resident, suggested offering volunteer opportunities at Covington Days booth.

Laura Morrissey, Covington resident, spoke about the things her family would lose if Covington was not incorporated.

Leroy Stevenson, Covington resident, spoke against scotch broom and noted a location.

Sheryl Ward, Covington resident, thanked Council for her commission appointment.

Chris May, Covington resident, noted that she could come to a public meeting here in Covington and not worry about councilmembers wrestling over a gavel. Ms. May expressed concerns over the length of time data on vehicle license plates would be stored.

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

ADJOURNMENT:
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

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City Clerk