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CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY  
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Regular Meeting of the City Council  
June 25, 2003 – Community Center – 7:00 P.M.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Dillon, Councilmembers: Meamber, Splane, Storrs, Pearson, Miller, Lemley and Anderson. Staff Members: City Attorney Hayden, Clerk/Treasurer Nelson, Planner Hallberg, Engineer Blair, Police Chief Cooper and Fire Chief Klinger.

Consent Calendar

- Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Finance
  - Claim Vouchers #48911 to #49026 for \$158,219.84
  - Payroll Warrants #31322 to #31416 for \$158,658.49
- Street Closure Request – Just For Fun – Poker Run

Councilmember Miller moved to accept the consent calendar Items A, B and C. Seconded by Councilmember Storrs. Motion carried.

Public Comment

None

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### Koozer UGA Amendment

Planner Hallberg reviewed the summary of the request by Howard Koozer to Skagit County to add his property located at 22499 State Route 20 in the City's Urban Growth Area. She noted the decision is actually the County's but they request input from the City. Hallberg then reviewed the findings as listed in the staff report and zoning.

Mayor Dillon opened the public hearing at 7:13 P.M.

Howard Koozer – 22499 SR 20, addressed the Council regarding his property and development pressures on his current operation. Koozer reviewed the changes in his operations and the effect of development around his property.

Koozer answered Council questions which included access lane to property and property barricades.

Mayor Dillon closed the public hearing at 7:22 P.M.

Councilmember Miller moved to accept the application and forward it to Skagit County of Howard Koozer at 22499 State Route 20 to be included in Sedro-Woolley's Urban Growth Area, accepting the findings, excluding #5 sentence #2. Councilmember Lemley seconded. Motion carried.

#### Solid Waste Pickup – Alleys to Streets (Curbside)

Leo Jacobs – Solid Waste Forman, 315 Sterling St., explained the outcome of the demo area for curbside pick up. Jacobs noted he would like to phase the rest of the City to curbside over the next 6 months. He reviewed the benefits of moving to curbside versus alley pick up.

Jacobs answered Council questions regarding width of trucks, maintenance of alleys, removal of brush, damage of cans, damage to property, disabled walk-ins, opposition to curbside pick up, amount of savings in alley repair, notification process and maintenance of streets and alleys.

Jacobs reported on the City-wide clean up that was held the previous Saturday. He noted the response was overwhelming with 5-700 tires, 237 appliances, numerous paint and oil cans, propane bottles and 500 yards of trash debris was turned in. Clean up is still in progress. Approximately 540 people took part.

Engineer Blair thanked Jacobs and the staff for their hard work on the clean up.

Mayor Dillon opened the public hearing at 7:40 P.M.

Shirley Grandy – 701 State St., spoke of vandalism that occurs around her home and expressed concern of what will happen to the garbage and can if located in the front of the home. She also addressed cars parking along the street and also questioned commercial dumpsters in the area and whether they will be picked up curbside.

Max Alaways – Sedro-Woolley, spoke on the intent of the alleys as service alleys. He also questioned whether garbage would be picked up on both sides of the street at the same time. He stated he believes the trucks will be a danger.

Mayor Dillon closed the public hearing at 7:47 P.M.

Don Grandy – 701 State St., addressed the benefits of alleys and their function. Grandy suggested enforcement of property owner maintenance of trees and bushes be addressed by Code Enforcement and also suggested LID's for paving of alleys.

Councilmember Anderson and Pearson expressed concern that if the City moves to curbside pickup that maintenance of the alleys will be neglected. Anderson also expressed concern of damage to chip-seal streets.

Councilmember Miller cautioned staff on pedestrian safety.

Councilmember Storrs moved to approve the Solid Waste Department moving from alley to curbside pick up, taking in consideration that there may be neighborhoods that will transition in a different form and stay in the alleys and that safety is put as primary. Seconded by Councilmember Meamber. Motion carried.

Councilmember Miller questioned the status of the Burlington proposal for waste pick up.

Mayor Dillon noted that Burlington has chosen to go out for RFQ and therefore the City chose not to participate because Council direction was that they didn't want to compete with private industry.

#### Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP)

Engineer Blair introduced the Six-Year TIP and requested comments from Council.

Councilmember Miller requested the SR-9 Pedestrian Facilities be moved from #6 to #1, 2 or 3. He also questioned the F & S Grade projects.

Mayor Dillon opened the public hearing at 7:59 P.M.

No public comment received.

Mayor Dillon closed the public hearing at 7:59.30 P.M.

Council discussion was held to include regional stormwater, ranking of projects, John Liner/Sapp Road, sidewalks, Fruitdale/Hwy 20 Improvement and use of impact fees in connection with the TIP.

Councilmember Miller moved to approve the 6-Year TIP, with the exception of moving #3 to #6 and #6 to #3. Seconded by Councilmember Meamber. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned for a short break at 8:15 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 8:21 P.M.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### Ordinances – Comp Plan and Development Regulations

A lengthy discussion on the timing and process of the decision for changes was held.

Planner Hallberg reviewed a letter received from the Office of Community Development from Douglas L. Peters regarding the proposed 2003 amendments to the development regulations, as well as the response from Mayor Dillon regarding his recommendations.

#### *Comprehensive Plan*

Planner Hallberg presented an overview of changes that affect the proposed ordinance for Planning and Zoning issues to include Land Use, Transportation Element, Capital Facilities (including Fire and Schools) and Text Amendments to Goals, Policies and Actions. These changes had already been informally approved by Council.

Councilmember Storrs moved to adopt Ordinance #1447-03 An Ordinance of the City of Sedro-Woolley, Washington, Adopted Pursuant to RCW 36.70A (Growth Management Act) and RCW 35.63 (Planning and Zoning for Second-Class Cities); Amending the City of Sedro-Woolley Comprehensive Plan. Seconded by Councilmember Miller.

Roll Call Vote: Councilmember Meamber – Yes, Splane – Yes, Storrs – Yes, Pearson – Yes, Miller – Yes, Lemley – Yes and Anderson – Yes. Motion carried.

#### *Environmental Policy Code (SWMC Chapter 2.88)*

Attorney Hayden presented an overview of changes that affect the proposed ordinance for Environmental Policy Code which coincides with State procedures. These changes had already been informally approved by Council.

Council discussion was held on the definition of SEPA, process of SEPA and the future plans for SEPA.

Councilmember Storrs moved to adopt Ordinance #1448-03 An Ordinance Repealing All of Sedro-Woolley Municipal Code Chapter 2.88, and Enacting a Revised SEPA Environmental Policy Code in its Place to Conform to Requirements of the Growth Management Act. Councilmember Splane Seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Councilmember Anderson – Yes, Lemley – Yes, Miller – Yes, Pearson – Yes, Storrs – Yes, Splane – Yes and Meamber – Yes. Motion carried.

#### *Planning Procedures (SWMC Chapter 2.90)*

Attorney Hayden presented an overview of changes that affect the proposed ordinance for Planning Procedures which incorporates the Planning Commission as a hearing body.

Hayden reviewed the types of hearings and which body is responsible for hearing the projects. These changes had already been informally approved by Council.

Planner Hallberg noted that the change also calls for the implementation of a Board of Adjustments to hear variances.

Councilmember Miller moved to adopt Ordinance #1449-03 An Ordinance Repealing All of Sedro-Woolley Municipal Code Chapter 2.90 and Enacting A Revised Consolidated Planning Procedures Ordinance in its Place to Conform to Requirements of the Growth Management Act. Seconded by Councilmember Anderson.

Roll Call Vote: Councilmember Meamber – Yes, Splane – Yes, Storrs – Yes, Pearson – Yes, Miller – Yes, Lemley – Yes and Anderson – Yes. Motion carried.

#### *Subdivision Code (SWMC Title 16)*

Planner Hallberg reviewed the changes to the Subdivision Code which included requiring infrastructure on development of multiple lots, density, planned developments and open space. These changes had already been informally approved by Council.

Councilmember Meamber questioned buffers with discussion following.

Councilmember Storrs moved to adopt Ordinance #1450-03 An Ordinance Repealing All of Sedro-Woolley Municipal Code Title 16, and Enacting A Revised Subdivision Code in its Place to Conform to the Requirements of the Growth Management Act. Councilmember Miller seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Councilmember Anderson – Yes, Lemley – Yes, Miller – Yes, Pearson – Yes, Storrs – Yes, Splane – Yes and Meamber – Yes. Motion carried.

#### *Planning and Zoning (SWMC Title 17)*

Planner Hallberg reviewed the changes to the Planning and Zoning Code which included Clustered Residential Developments, Central Business District and Signs and Signage. These changes had already been informally approved by Council.

Discussion of required parking for the downtown area and signs was held.

Councilmember Miller moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1451-03 An Ordinance of the City of Sedro-Woolley, Washington, Adopted Pursuant to RCW 36.70A (Growth Management Act) and RCW 35.63 (Planning and Zoning for Second-Class Cities); Amending the City of Sedro-Woolley Municipal Code Title 17. Seconded by Councilmember Anderson.

Roll Call Vote: Councilmember Meamber – Yes, Splane – Yes, Storrs – Yes, Pearson – Yes, Miller – Yes, Lemley – Yes and Anderson – Yes. Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### Appeal – Conditional Use Permit #1121 (James Hawkings) *continued to July 9*

Mayor Dillon noted that due to transcribing problems with the tape and the unavailability of the applicant the appeal is requested to be rescheduled to July 23, 2003.

Mayor Dillon opened the appeal hearing at 10:15 P.M.

Councilmember Storrs moved to continue the hearing on Conditional Use Permit #1121 from James Hawkings to July 23, 2003. Seconded by Councilmember Splane. Motion carried.

### Supplement Agreement #5 – CH2M Hill

Engineer Blair reviewed the staff request for Council to approve the supplemental agreement #5 with CH2M Hill to move forward with the Phase 2 of the SR-20 Sewer Improvement Plan which includes a pump station to be placed approximately 800-feet east of Holtcamp Road. Blair noted the Council previous approved the SR-20 Feasibility Study which identifies the work.

Councilmember Storrs moved to authorize the Mayor to sign Supplemental Agreement No. 5 between the City of Sedro-Woolley and CH2M Hill for additional engineering services not to exceed \$20,000. Councilmember Miller seconded. Motion carried.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS**

Planner Hallberg – passed out a copy of a recent publication found in the Pacific Northwest Magazine section of the Seattle PI.

Engineer Blair – addressed Council on authorizing the Mayor to begin negotiations on a contract with Skagit Surveyors for work on SR-20 Sewer Improvement Plan.

Attorney Hayden – presented an update on the ongoing appeals that are before the Growth Management Hearings Board. Lengthy Council discussion ensued.

Councilmember Anderson – questioned the vision triangle requirements and noted on West Nelson down by the High School there is a spot that needs attention.

Councilmember Lemley – also commented at the corner of Talcott and Township East the vision triangle is blocked. He also noted the start of the Loggerodeo festival.

Councilmember Lemley moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Anderson. Motion carried.

The Meeting adjourned at 10:35 P.M.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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