
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Regular Meeting of the City Council
May 26, 2004 – 7:00 P.M. – Community Center

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

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Dillon, Councilmembers Meamber, Storrs, Lemley, Galbraith, Colgan and Anderson. Staff: City Attorney Hayden, Clerk/Treasurer Nelson, Engineer Blair, Planner Lahr and Fire Chief Klinger.

The Mayor announced to the Council that this will be the last meeting Laura Pierce of the Courier Times will be in attendance as she will be leaving the company. The Mayor thanked her for her time and excellent input in the reporting of City news.

Consent Calendar

- Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Finance
- Claim Vouchers #51502 to #51627 for \$734,832.28
- Payroll Warrants #33370 to #33465 for \$128,443.48
- Waiver of Fees – Riverfront Park – Evergreen Elementary – June 10, 2004
- Waiver of Fees – Riverfront Park – Good Beginnings – June 10, 2004
- Waiver of Fees – Riverfront Park – Mary Purcell – June 14, 2004
- Waiver of Fees – Riverfront Park – N. Cascades Institute – June 23, 2004
- Waiver of Fees – Memorial Park – Mary Purcell – June 14, 2004
- Waiver of Fees – Riverfront Park – SW Chamber of Commerce – July 28, 2004
- Establishment of Public Hearing for Six-Year TIP 2005-2010
- Request for Out of State Travel – Solid Waste
- Waiver of Fees – Riverfront Park – SC Senior Services
- Waiver of Fees – Community Center – Skagit 911 – June 8, 2004

Councilmember Anderson questioned several warrants.

Councilmember Storrs moved to approve the consent calendar items A through L. Seconded by Councilmember Colgan. Motion carried.

Public Comment

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

2004 Development Regulations (DR) & Comp Plan (CP) Update

Planner Lahr reviewed the Planning Commission recommendations for the development regulations and comp plan update. Lahr noted the goal is to work through the details at the upcoming worksession to be held on June 1, 2004. Lahr highlighted the rezone applications, draft version of the Planned Residential Development Code and design manual, minor changes to Title 16 (technical changes), 2.90 Procedure Chapter cleanup and requests for reconsideration for certain types of land use requests, administrative variances and changes to the Comp Plan that includes some important policy changes to be reviewed in detail at the worksession.

Lahr reviewed the process for updating the comp plan and development regulations. She noted it can only be done once a year and reviewed the rules that have to be followed and review periods. She noted the goal is to complete the process by October 13, 2004 and reviewed the proposed schedule.

Council discussion ensued to include PRD minimum lot size, FEMA floodplain, effect of floodplain, commercial use, change of zoning descriptions and parking for commercial use apartments.

Larry Stiles – Independence Blvd., questioned Item 2, industrial zone replacing light and heavy industrial uses and specifically the area of Janicki Industries. He expressed concern for the effect of the change on the nearby residential area.

Employment Agreement – City Planner

Mayor Dillon presented background information for the employment agreement for the City Planner.

Councilmember Colgan moved to enter into a contract with Lacy Lahr for the appointment to City Planner through 2005. Seconded by Councilmember Storrs. Motion carried. 5-1 (Councilmember Anderson opposed).

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Attorney Hayden – discussed a small piece of property within the Sedro-Woolley Lumber Co., adjacent to the apartments on south Third street which is city owned. Hayden presented options to the City Council concerning the property for a possible land swap and requested direction from Council.

Engineer Blair – reviewed the status of the sewer projects. Blair also reported on a meeting he attended regarding Helmick Road and proposed intersection changes.

Councilmember Anderson – discussed the signals on Hwy 20 and Hwy 9 and suggested there be a “No Right Turn on Red” implemented.

Councilmember Meamber – commented on the recent grant of funds for Hammer Heritage Square.

Mayor Dillon – noted the award of the grant not only for Hammer Heritage Square but also a grant for sewer upgrades at the old mill site.

Councilmember Meamber – announced the Memorial Day services being held on Monday. Congressman Rick Larsen will be in attendance. He encouraged everyone to attend.

Councilmember Storrs – questioned closing of the street for the upcoming Blast from the Past.

Councilmember Lemley moved to authorize the closure of Metcalf Street from Ferry to State and Woodworth Street from Metcalf to Eastern on June 4 & 5 th. Seconded by Councilmember Meamber. Motion carried.

Rick Judd – 1310 Fruitdale Rd., expressed concern of the notification process for the Council meetings.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting adjourned to executive session at 7:55 P.M. for the purpose of Personnel and Land Acquisition. No decisions are anticipated.

The meeting reconvened at 9:01P.M.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 P.M.