

CITY OF BELLEVUE  
CITY COUNCIL

Summary Minutes of Regular Session

February 4, 2008  
8:00 p.m.

Council Chamber  
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Mayor Degginger, Deputy Mayor Balducci, and Councilmembers Chelminiak, Davidson, Marshall and Noble

ABSENT: Councilmember Lee<sup>1</sup>

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m., with Mayor Degginger presiding.

2. Roll Call, Flag Salute

Upon roll call, all Councilmembers were present. Councilmember Noble led the flag salute.

3. Communications: Written and Oral

A representative of Bellevue Youth Theatre thanked Deputy Mayor Balducci and Councilmember Lee for their role as cast members in the recent production of "Cats."

Mayor Degginger commended both Councilmembers for their performance. Ms. Balducci praised the dedication of everyone involved with the Bellevue Youth Theatre and expressed appreciation of the opportunity to participate.

4. Reports of Community Council, Boards and Commissions: None.

5. Report of the City Manager: None.

6. Council Business and New Initiatives

(a) Update on Recruitment to fill Council Vacancy

City Clerk Myrna Basich reported that the City has received 21 applications for the vacant City Council position. Applicants were asked to submit a resume demonstrating their professional experience and involvement in community affairs, as well as two brief written statements. The list of applicants has been provided to Councilmembers, and application materials submitted to the City Clerk's Office are being copied and will be distributed to Councilmembers by the end of

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<sup>1</sup> Councilmember Lee arrived at approximately 8:22 p.m. following a Chinese New Year event.

this meeting. Ms. Basich recalled that Council has not yet directed staff regarding the type of procedure to be used for appointing the Councilmember. This topic is scheduled for discussion during next week's Extended Study Session.

Deputy Mayor Balducci noted a memo in Council's desk packet regarding recommendations for appointments to the Library Board. Candidates submitted applications and were interviewed as part of the nomination process. In addition to filling the immediate vacancies, Ms. Balducci proposed appointing Robin Rothschild, formerly the Head Librarian at the Lake Hills Library.

→ Deputy Mayor Balducci moved to approve the immediate appointment of Aaron Kirschbaum and Chiho Lai to serve four-year terms on the Library Board, and to approve the appointment of Robin Rothschild for the next vacancy beginning in May. Mayor Degginger seconded the motion.

Responding to Councilmember Chelminiak, Ms. Basich acknowledged that applications for the Library Board vacancy were inadvertently not distributed to Councilmembers. Mr. Chelminiak expressed concern about pre-appointing for the vacancy to occur in May. While he supports the recommended candidates, he feels that citizens should be given the opportunity to apply for this volunteer position.

→ The motion to approve the immediate appointment of Aaron Kirschbaum and Chiho Lai to serve four-year terms on the Library Board, and to approve the appointment of Robin Rothschild for the next vacancy beginning in May, carried by a vote of 5-0, with Councilmember Lee absent.

Councilmembers reported on the meetings and events they have attended since the last Council meeting. Councilmember Lee arrived during this section of the meeting.

Councilmember Chelminiak met with representatives of the Suburban Cities Association, City of Seattle, and the King County Council regarding the charter change and the composition of regional committees. The City of Seattle is supportive of Bellevue having a seat on the three King County regional committees.

Councilmember Noble testified before state Senate and House committees regarding the Governor's SR 520 Corridor legislation. He briefly described legislation proposed by the Eastside Human Services Forum addressing child care, programs to end homelessness, and increased accessibility to available resources. Mr. Noble attended a meeting of the Eastside Transportation Partnership.

Deputy Mayor Balducci attended the Bellevue Youth Theatre Foundation benefit function, the first Youth Court session, and a benefit to fund scholarships through the Eastside Latino Leadership Forum, the Camino Foundation, and Bellevue School District.

Councilmember Davidson traveled to San Jose and San Diego with the Light Rail Best Practices Committee to observe existing light rail systems. He attended the cities' legislative action conference in which Councilmember Noble represented Bellevue's interests. He attended a

meeting with representatives of the House and Senate reviewing the legislative agenda as well as meetings with state agencies.

Councilmember Lee attended the Chinese New Year celebration tonight. He attended meetings of the Regional Transportation Committee and the Trade Development Alliance, as well as a networking function with the Suburban Cities Association. Mr. Lee noted his participation in Bellevue Youth Theatre's production of "Cats," and he commended Ms. Balducci's performance in the show.

Mayor Degginger attended the Chinese New Year celebration at Factoria Mall on Saturday. He continues to participate with other Eastside elected officials in mediation meetings associated with SR 520 planning.

Mr. Degginger noted that Bellevue was recently recognized by the America's Promise program for the third consecutive year as one of the top communities for youth.

7. Approval of the Agenda

- Deputy Mayor Balducci moved to approve the agenda, and Councilmember Lee seconded the motion.
- The motion to approve the agenda carried by a vote of 6-0.

8. Consent Calendar

- Deputy Mayor Balducci moved to approve the Consent Calendar, amended to revise the January 22, 2008 Study Session minutes as detailed in the memo in Council's desk packet. Councilmember Chelminiak seconded the motion.
- The motion to approve the Consent Calendar, as amended, carried by a vote of 6-0, and the following items were approved:
  - (a) Minutes of January 14, 2008 Extended Study Session  
Minutes of January 22, 2008 Study Session [As amended in desk packet]  
Minutes of January 22, 2008 Regular Session  
Minutes of January 24, 2008 Special Meeting
  - (b) Resolution No. 7688 authorizing approval of payment for full and final settlement of a lawsuit filed against the City by Vance and Christine Mylroie for damages caused by wastewater backups occurring in November 2004.
  - (c) Motion to approve payment of claims for the period January 19, 2008 through February 1, 2008, and payroll for the period January 1, 2008 through January 15, 2008.

- (d) Resolution No. 7689 authorizing execution of a 22-month contract with Andrews Consulting, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$84,000 for the purpose of operating the Bellevue Challenge Course at Eastgate Park.
- (e) Resolution No. 7690 approving the 2008 Administration Budget and Work Plan for A Regional Coalition for Housing (ARCH)

Resolution No. 7691 authorizing execution of all documents necessary to enter into funding agreements for the funding of affordable housing projects, as recommended by the ARCH Executive Board, utilizing funds from the City's Housing Fund.

- (f) Resolution No. 7692 authorizing execution of a second amendment to the lease agreement with Kimschott Factoria Mall, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$64,995, for a Bellevue Police Department Substation located within Factoria Square Mall for a period of five years.

## 9. Public Hearings

- (a) Public Hearing to establish the fair market value for an eight-inch waterline and associated easement rights that extend from Tract C of the plat of Lakecrest Park, Division No. 2, to the east side of 76<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE; and authorizing negotiations with Overlake Golf and Country Club for the terms of the purchase and sale of said waterline and easement rights.

City Manager Steve Sarkozy provided a brief overview regarding the need to establish a fair market value for a waterline and easement rights extending from Tract C of the Lakecrest Park plat to 76<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, and to authorize negotiations with Overlake Golf and Country Club for the terms of the purchase and sale.

Nav Otal, Deputy Director for Utilities, provided the staff report and responded to brief questions of clarification.

- Deputy Mayor Balducci moved to open the Public Hearing, and Mr. Chelminiak seconded the motion.
- The motion to open the Public Hearing carried by a vote of 6-0.

No one came forward to comment on the issue.

- Deputy Mayor Balducci moved to close the Public Hearing, and Councilmember Lee seconded the motion.
- The motion to close the Public Hearing carried by a vote of 6-0.
- Deputy Mayor Balducci moved to establish a fair market value of \$165,000 for the eight-inch waterline and associated easement rights that extend from Tract C of the plat of

Lakecrest Park, Division No. 2, to the east side of 76<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE; and to authorize negotiations with Overlake Golf and Country Club for the terms of the purchase and sale of said waterline and easement rights. Mayor Degginger seconded the motion.

→ The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

10. Land Use: None.

11. Other Ordinances, Resolutions and Motions: None.

12. Unfinished Business: None.

13. Continued Oral Communications: None.

14. New Business: None.

15. Executive Session: None.

16. Adjournment

At 8:44 p.m., Mayor Degginger declared the meeting adjourned.

Myrna L. Basich  
City Clerk

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