

CITY OF BELLEVUE
CITY COUNCIL

Summary Minutes of Regular Session

February 3, 2014
8:00 p.m.

Council Chamber
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Mayor Balducci, Deputy Mayor Wallace, and Councilmembers Chelminiak, Lee, Robertson, Robinson, and Stokes

ABSENT: None.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m., with Mayor Balducci presiding.

2. Roll Call, Flag Salute

All Councilmembers were present. Councilmember Stokes led the flag salute.

3. Communications: Written and Oral

- (a) Barbara Spindel, on behalf of many Bellevue residents in the Eastgate, Somerset and Monthaven neighborhoods, thanked the Council for including the SE Newport Way sidewalk project in the 2013-2024 Transportation Facilities Plan. She thanked Carol Ross of the Planning and Community Development Department for organizing the excellent “Life of a Transportation CIP Project” workshop on January 30 and the following Transportation Department staff for their involvement: Eric Miller, Kristi Oosterveen, and Tresa Berg. Ms. Spindel thanked Transportation Commissioners Scott Lampe and Janice Zahn for attending the workshop, and encouraged the Council to include the sidewalk project in the 2015-2021 Capital Investment Program (CIP) Plan. Ms. Spindel submitted her comment in writing.
- (b) Alex Zimmerman, StandUP-America, said he met with Councilmember Robinson. He said he has spoken to many Councils over the past 20 years and nothing has changed. He would like term limits for Councilmembers with a maximum of two terms. He would like the City Manager to meet with citizens on a monthly basis.

- (c) Cheri Perazzoli, representing the Hearing Loss Association of Washington, thanked Councilmember Lynne Robinson and the entire Council for considering the needs of those with hearing loss in the current projects at Bellevue Youth Theatre and Bellevue Botanical Gardens. Ms. Perazzoli said that hearing aids make a huge difference for individuals and there is still a stigma associated with them. She wants to raise awareness and for the community to view hearing aid technology in buildings and public places in the same way we have become accustomed to seeing accommodations for other disabilities. Ms. Perazzoli left her business card and information on the organization.
- (d) Joe Pham, President of the Monthaven Neighborhood Association, thanked Councilmember Robertson for her support of the SE Newport Way sidewalk project. He reported that he has heard from concerned residents who have emailed the Council but received no reply. He said it would be helpful to receive an acknowledgement that the email was received by the Council/City. Mr. Pham said he recently completed the Police Department's Community Academy. He encouraged more funding for the Police Department, including bike patrols. Mr. Pham asked the Council to consider organizing a Seahawks parade this weekend in Bellevue so that people who cannot attend on Wednesday in Seattle could celebrate together. He believes this would have a positive economic impact and draw attention to Bellevue.

Mayor Balducci said that emails to the Council@bellevuewa.gov address go to all seven Councilmembers and certain staff. She said the City is working to streamline the protocol for acknowledging and responding to these emails.

- (e) Ward Harris spoke on behalf of the Newport Shores community, which is west of Factoria and I-405 and south of I-90. He said there are 350 homes in Newport Shores and there is one entrance and exit to the community. He expressed concerns regarding traffic backups which, on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, block their entrance, despite signage stating to not block the intersection. He said he sent a letter to the Council within the past two weeks. He would like help from the City to implement a measure to enforce the law.

Mayor Balducci asked the Acting City Manager to follow up with Mr. Harris.

- 4. Reports of Community Council, Boards and Commissions: None.
- 5. Report of the City Manager: None.
- 6. Council Business and New Initiatives

Councilmember Chelminiak reported that he and Mayor Balducci attended a meeting of the Northtowne Community Association. Mr. Chelminiak attended the Bellevue Convention Center Authority (BCCA) Board meeting.

Councilmember Lee said he and Mayor Balducci attended the Chinese New Year celebration at Westminster Chapel. Mr. Lee attended the Seattle Chinese Radio New Year festival at Meydenbauer Center, the event honoring Nan Campbell, and the Washington State Chinese Relations Council's New Year event. Mr. Lee said he liked Mr. Pham's idea about having a local Seahawks celebration.

Mayor Balducci suggested speaking with staff after the meeting to determine the feasibility of organizing an event.

Deputy Mayor Wallace said he met with Mari Horita, President and CEO of ArtsFund, who expressed the organization's interest in expanding beyond Seattle's arts community. Mr. Wallace met with Congressman Smith and Pat Corelli to discuss the City's capital plan including the Bel-Red Plan and transportation projects. Through his involvement with the Chamber, Mr. Wallace met with Seattle Mayor Ed Murray, Deputy Mayors Hyeok Kim and Andrea Riniker, and Interim Transportation Department Director Goran Sparrman, who formerly served as Bellevue's Transportation Director. Ms. Riniker previously served as Bellevue's City Manager.

Councilmember Robertson said she would love to have a Bellevue Seahawks celebration. She reported that she was recently appointed to the AWC (Association of Washington Cities) Board of Directors' nominating committee. She attended her first meeting of that committee and a portion of the AWC legislative conference in Olympia.

Ms. Robertson said she was recently elected to the Washington State Heritage Trust Board of Trustees for a three-year term. She met with representatives of the Rental Housing Association of King County, which is interested in Bellevue's residential room rental issue.

Councilmember Robertson said she wanted to go on the record as again requesting an update on the electrical reliability study and plan. She anticipates it will be discussed during the Council retreat and throughout this year's budget process.

Councilmember Stokes reported that he attended his first Cascade Water Alliance Board meeting, which included an event honoring former Mayor and Councilmember Don Davidson's long-term involvement with the organization and his work on regional water issues.

Mr. Stokes attended meetings of the King County Regional Policy Committee and the Sound Cities Association caucus. He was elected as Vice Chair of the SCA caucus. He attended the event celebrating the life of Nan Campbell. Mr. Stokes attended a meeting of the Building Owners Management Association (BOMA). He reported that he and Councilmember Robinson attended the going away party for Bill Ptacek at the Issaquah Library. Mr. Ptacek is moving to Calgary to manage another library system.

Councilmember Robinson said she continues to meet with neighborhood and citizen groups: Somerset, Lake Bellevue, Bridle Trails, and StandUP-America. She attended the Chinese Radio New Year's celebration at Meydenbauer Center. She and her husband participated in the annual

homeless count. She said there appear to be fewer homeless individuals living in Bellevue, and more homeless persons are using the winter shelters. Dr. Robinson attended the Seattle Metropolitan Urban League's event at the EMP museum.

Mayor Balducci said she and Councilmember Lee attended the open house of the Goddard School, a new private preschool. Ms. Balducci attended the Executive Board meeting of the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) and the groundbreaking for the LIHI (Low Income Housing Institute) affordable housing project.

Ms. Balducci said she has attended a number of briefings with City staff to prepare for the year ahead. She announced that she has changed jobs and is no longer the Director of King County Jails. She is still working at King County but in a more manageable role to accommodate her service as Mayor.

Ms. Balducci thanked Youth Eastside Services and Patti Skelton-McGougan for hosting the memorial service for Nan Campbell.

Mayor Balducci thanked public safety personnel for their work following the Seattle Seahawks' victory in the Super Bowl.

7. Approval of the Agenda

- Deputy Mayor Wallace moved to approve the agenda, and Councilmember Stokes seconded the motion.
- The motion to approve the agenda carried by a vote of 7-0.

8. Consent Calendar

- Deputy Mayor Wallace moved to approve the Consent Calendar, with Item 8(d) amended as reflected in the desk packet memo. Councilmember Robertson seconded the motion.
- The motion to approve the Consent Calendar, as amended, carried by a vote of 7-0, and the following items were approved:
 - (a) Minutes of January 13, 2014 Extended Study Session
Minutes of January 21, 2014 Study Session
Minutes of January 21, 2014 Regular Session
 - (b) Resolution No. 8687 authorizing execution of an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Pacifica Law Group LLP to increase the total contract amount from \$49,000 to \$184,000 for legal services in the condemnation petitions of City of Bellevue v. Manoogian, KCSC No. 13-2-28532-1 SEA and City of Bellevue v. Galpin, KCSC No13-2-30023-1SEA.

- (c) Ordinance No. 6148 authorizing and providing for the acquisition of interests in land for the purpose of completing the Bellefield Pump Station Capacity Improvement Project; the East CBD Sewer Trunkline Improvements; a portion of the Wilburton Sewer Capacity Upgrade Project; certain Alcove Creek Modifications; providing for condemnation, appropriation, and taking of land and property rights necessary therefore; providing for payment; directing the initiation of appropriate proceedings in the manner provided by law for said condemnation; and establishing an effective date.
 - (d) Resolution No. 8688 relating to the South Bellevue Annexation areas of Eastgate, Hilltop, Tamara Hills, and Horizon View: setting a new threshold amount for the State of Washington fiscal year July 2014 to 2015; continuing a sales and use tax, as authorized by RCW 82.14.415 at the existing rate for such fiscal year; authorizing certification of the City's true and actual costs to provide municipal services to the annexed area, and providing notice of any applicable tax rate changes.
 - (e) Resolution No. 8689 authorizing execution of an amended and restated Interlocal Agreement and related Articles of Incorporation for the eCityGov Alliance.
 - (f) Resolution No. 8690 authorizing execution of an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Steve Greene & Associates, in an amount not to exceed \$47,500 for a total contract amount of \$72,500, for professional services to review the proposed Sound Transit operations and maintenance satellite facility (OMSF) alternatives and to inform decision makers on potential redesign options.
 - (g) Resolution No. 8691 authorizing execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Carollo Engineers, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$285,756, for engineering services for the Water System Plan Update Support.
 - (h) Resolution No. 8692 authorizing execution of a Professional Services Agreement with CHS Engineers, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$150,000, for engineering services for On-Call Water Service Saddle Replacement (CIP Plan No. W-99).
 - (i) Resolution No. 8693 authorizing execution of the Water and Sewer Utility Pre-Assumption Agreement between the cities of Bellevue and Issaquah.
9. Public Hearings: None.
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

Mayor Balducci declared the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Myrna L. Basich, MMC
City Clerk

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