

**City of Kenmore, Washington
City Council Regular and
Joint City Council/Planning Commission Meeting
Minutes
February 19, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Baker called the regular meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

Councilmembers present: Mayor David Baker and Councilmembers Brent Smith, Laurie Sperry, Allan Van Ness, and Glenn Rogers

Councilmembers excused: Deputy Mayor Bob Hensel and Councilmember Milton Curtis

Staff present: Rob Karlinsey, City Manager; Debbie Bent, Director of Community Development; Lauri Anderson, Senior Planner; and Patty Safrin, City Clerk

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Baker led the flag salute.

AGENDA APPROVAL

It was Council consensus to approve the agenda as submitted.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Patrick O'Brien, 6330 NE 181st Street, Kenmore, was present to state his concerns regarding development. He made reference to a 2001 King County Superior Court consent decree to Pioneer Towing, Inc.

Dave Crawford, 7534 NE 175th Street, Kenmore, was present to state his concerns regarding the use of the old fire station property.

Mayor Baker thanked the citizens for their comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Sperry moved to approve the consent agenda as submitted.
Councilmember Rogers seconded the motion to Award Contract No. 13-C1112 for Log Boom Park Pier and Rhododendron Park Floats. The motion passed unanimously.

STAFF REPORT

City Manager Karlinsey stated that a joint letter on regional tolling impacts is being prepared to go to the Governor and State legislators this week, planned to be in time for the comment deadline. The letter will be signed by Kenmore, Lake Forest Park, Bothell, Woodinville and Kirkland. He stated that the City is listed as a party of record or participating agency in the

NEPA process, and he thanked Council for showing up at various meetings to bring the issue to people's attention.

CITY COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS/REPORTS

Councilmember Sperry reported on a leadership luncheon she recently attended. She noted that a report on the state of the Eastside, based on seven different dimensions, will be available soon. She stated that the Saturday Coffee with Council was a group of about five people, including herself and Deputy Mayor Hensel, and that the citizens had lots of good ideas and a willingness to engage in positive problem solving.

Councilmember Rogers commented on the citizen evaluation survey and thanked the City Manager for his work on it.

Mayor Baker stated that a group of mayors throughout the State have been involved in the Transportation Committee, and a letter was recently drafted that was signed by 42 mayors, including him, in an effort to get some legislation to take care of transportation needs. He also signed the joint letter on regional tolling impacts today. He gave a brief report on the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) annual meeting. He noted that Governor Inslee addressed them and mentioned Kenmore and the Kenmore City Hall.

JOINT CITY COUNCIL/PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA

Planning Commission Members present: Vice Chairperson Angela Kugler and Commissioners Dennis Mendrey, Doug Huxtable, Jim Howard, and Mark Ohrenschall

Planning Commission Members excused: Chairperson Doug Nugent and Commissioner Mike Vanderlinde

Staff present: Rob Karlinsey, City Manager; Debbie Bent, Director of Community Development; Lauri Anderson, Senior Planner; and Patty Safrin, City Clerk

Discussion of Commercial Zoning Project - Debbie Bent, Community Development Director, and Lauri Anderson, Senior Planner, were present to introduce the topic. They were also available to answer any questions. Director Bent suggested that it would be helpful for Council to give some direction to the Planning Commission on what they would like to see as guiding principles as the Commission works on this project.

The guiding principles identified by Council during the discussion included following:

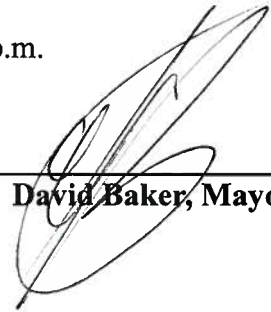
- Economic development and employment opportunities, including support for existing businesses; recognition of new technologies; making the City attractive and accessible to developers, new businesses and potential residents; and not "chasing" sales tax revenue
- Transportation and infrastructure considerations, such as reviewing the P-suffixes for phased implementation, continued emphasis on pedestrian priorities, and considering future transit needs and positioning
- Emphasis on an environmental orientation
- Connections with the trails and waterfront
- Housing density regulations which protect existing single-family neighborhoods and concentrate density where transportation is available

- Review of the Transit-Oriented District (TOD), a set of code amendments which were proposed by the Downtown Task Force and tabled by Council after a public hearing on September 27, 2010, beginning with a boundary review of the TOD in relation to the Regional Business Zone (RBZ)
- Incentives for redevelopment and expansion of development agreement opportunities, particularly at LakePointe
- A flexible, straightforward, simplified code which will be able to respond to unforeseen changes in market conditions

Council supported the Planning Commission considering case studies of projects in other cities, as well as the possibility of needing market viability studies for target sectors. City Manager Karlinsey pointed out that different areas of the Regional Business Zone (RBZ) may be treated differently. He stated that the City may apply for an Innovation Partnership Zone (IPZ) designation in the natural health business cluster later this year.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Baker adjourned the meeting at 9:03 p.m.



David Baker, Mayor

ATTEST:



Patty Safrin, City Clerk