

City of Kenmore
City Council Regular Meeting
Minutes
February 28, 2011

CALL TO ORDER - Mayor David Baker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmembers present: Mayor David Baker, Deputy Mayor Milton Curtis, Councilmembers Bob Hensel, John Hendrickson, Laurie Sperry, Allan Van Ness, and Glenn Rogers.

Staff present: Fred Stouder, City Manager; Nancy Ousley, Assistant City Manager; Joanne Gregory, Finance Director; Ron Loewen, City Engineer; Debbie Bent, Director of Community Development; Jennifer Gordon, Public Works Operations Manager; Bryan Hampson, Building Official; Cliff Sether, Police Chief; Dawn Reitan, City Attorney; and Lynn Suskin, City Clerk

FLAG SALUTE

Kenmore Citizen Dennis Mendrey led the flag salute.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Councilmember Allan Van Ness moved to approve the agenda as submitted. Deputy Mayor Milton Curtis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Laurie Sperry moved to approve the consent agenda as submitted. Councilmember Bob Hensel seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2011 Regular Council Meeting; Approval of Claim Nos. 23465 - 23542 in the Amount of \$294,530.51 for the Period Ending February 16, 2011; Adopt Ordinance No.11-0323 of the City of Kenmore, Washington, Amending Section 2.30.050 Relating to the Kenmore Library Advisory Board Terms of Office of the Kenmore Municipal Code; Approve a Motion Deferring Consideration and Action on Comprehensive Plan Amendments and Identification of a Comprehensive Plan Work Program to 2012; Motion to Approve the A Regional Coalition for Housing (ARCH) 2011 Administrative Budget and Work Program; and a Motion to Cancel the March 14, 2011 Regular Council Meeting. The motion passed 6-1 with Councilmember John Hendrickson voting no.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Dennis Mendrey, 6410 NE 181st St., Kenmore, was present to state and submit into the record a letter in which he supports City Manager Fred Stouder.

Randy Bannecker, 820 4th Ave., Ste. 407, Seattle, was present to state that he supports delaying the effective date of the proposed Fire Sprinkler Ordinance.

David Hoffman, 335 116th Ave. SE, Bellevue, was present to state that he supports delaying the effective date of the proposed Fire Sprinkler Ordinance until January 1, 2013.

Todd Short, 8815 NE 147th Lane, Kenmore, was present to state that he supports the passage of the proposed Fire Sprinkler Ordinance.

BUSINESS AGENDA

Puget Sound Energy (PSE) Presentation on Winter Storm – Nancy Ousley, Assistant City Manager, was present to give a brief introduction of the PSE staff that were in attendance. She distributed handouts from PSE. She was also available to answer any questions.

Greg Zeller, PSE Director of Electric First Response, and Mary Robinson, PSE Operations Continuity Manager, gave a PowerPoint Presentation. They were also available to answer any questions.

Jason Van Nort, PSE Local Government and Community Relations Manager, was present to answer any questions.

Discussion followed.

It was Council consensus to switch the order of Business Agenda Item “B” with Item “C.”

Ordinance No. 11-0322 of the City of Kenmore, Washington, Amending Section 15.20.105 (International Residential Code Adopted) of the Kenmore Municipal Code to Require that an Approved Fire Sprinkler System be Installed in New Residential Buildings (one and two family residences and townhomes) within the City of Kenmore, Washington - Bryan Hampson, Land Development and Permitting Director, was present to provide a brief staff report. He was also available to answer any questions.

Jeff La Flam, Fire Marshal, was also available to answer any questions.

Deputy Mayor Milton Curtis moved to adopt Ordinance No. 11-0322 of the City of Kenmore, Washington, Amending Section 15.20.105 (International Residential Code Adopted) of the Kenmore Municipal Code to Require that an Approved Fire Sprinkler System be Installed in New Residential Buildings (one and two family residences and townhomes) within the City of Kenmore, Washington, with an Effective Date of January 1, 2012. Councilmember Allan Van Ness seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Accept and Approve Council Retreat (January 21-22, 2011) Summary Report from Pendleton Consulting – Fred Stouder, City Manager, was present to review the Council Retreat Summary Report. He was also available to answer any questions.

Council directed Fred Stouder, City Manager, to add a footnote to the report on page 4, to clarify the difference between the Prostitution Ordinance and Adult Entertainment Ordinance.

Councilmember Glenn Rogers moved to accept and approve the Council Retreat (January 21-22, 2011) Summary Report from Pendleton Consulting. Deputy Mayor Milton Curtis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS/REPORTS

Councilmember John Hendrickson discussed the letter that was recently sent to the State Auditor by the City.

Fred Stouder, City Manager, explained that the letter is requesting clarification by the State Auditor’s Office as to whether there is any truth in Councilmember John Hendrickson’s allegations that there have been accounting errors and material misstatements made by staff.

Councilmember John Hendrickson distributed and read a letter he drafted on the Kenmore Feasibility Study in rebuttal of road tax statements that Councilmember Bob Hensel made at the last Council meeting. He recommended that the City conduct a preliminary review on reducing the City’s speed limits. He also wanted a follow-up on the Squire’s Landing Master Plan.

Councilmember Bob Hensel thanked staff for all their work on the fire sprinkler ordinance and its ensuing adoption. He also thanked the Public Works crew for all their hard work during our recent storm. He stated that he and Councilmember John Hendrickson will never agree on their individual interpretations of the Kenmore Incorporation Feasibility Study as it relates to road tax. He stated that the City of Kenmore has never collected a road tax. He stated that the Study was done to see if it was feasible for Kenmore to incorporate.

Councilmember Laurie Sperry thanked staff for the laminated property tax distribution charts that had been distributed to the Council.

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Councilmember Glenn Rogers thanked the storm crew for all their hard work. He read out loud the many achievements that are listed in the Council Retreat Summary that have been accomplished by Council and the City Manager.

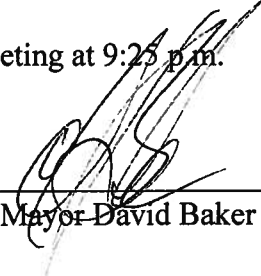
Deputy Mayor Milton Curtis stated that the Kenmore Incorporation Feasibility Study was a 1996 report that was used to establish if it was even feasible, for the area known as Kenmore, to incorporate as its own City independent from King County at that time. He stated that was the purpose of the Study.

Councilmember Allan Van Ness stated that there is a whole process that needs to be gone through to justify the need prior to reducing speed limits. He clarified that the Incorporation Feasibility Study was a study on the feasibility of incorporating.

Mayor David Baker noted that the Kenmore Incorporation Feasibility Study is now 14 years old. He stated that things have changed since 1996. He also gave an update on the status of HB 1667 and the corresponding SB. He stated that it is important that we continue to keep the Washington State Department of Transportation and our legislators aware of the impact caused by the continuing high traffic volumes, which are expected to increase, of cars/trucks that use the SR 522 Corridor daily.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor David Baker adjourned the regular meeting at 9:25 p.m.



Mayor David Baker

ATTEST:



Lynn Suskin, City Clerk