

City of Kenmore, Washington
City Council Regular Meeting
Minutes
March 25, 2013

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

Councilmembers present: Mayor David Baker, Deputy Mayor Bob Hensel (at 7:30 p.m.), and Councilmembers Brent Smith, Laurie Sperry, and Allan Van Ness

Councilmembers excused: Councilmembers Milton Curtis and Glenn Rogers

Staff present: Rob Karlinsey, City Manager; Nancy Ousley, Assistant City Manager; Joanne Gregory, Finance & Administration Director; Kris Overleese, Engineering & Environmental Services Director; Bryan Hampson, Development Services Director; Andrew Bauer, Associate Planner; Dawn Reitan, City Attorney; 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.

PRESENTATIONS

King County District Court, West Division – The Honorable Judge Marcine Anderson and the Honorable Judge Douglas Smith were present to give a brief PowerPoint presentation about the King County District Court and the services and programs they provide. They were also available to answer any questions.

City Manager Rob Karlinsey noted that justice services are at the core of the City's obligations to its citizens, so even though we contract court and police services out, we are responsible for them. He thanked the judges for coming and for all they do for Kenmore citizens.

Supreme Court Standards for Indigent Defense – Ken Harmell, Defense Attorney, Stewart Beall MacNichol & Harmell, Inc., was present to give a brief presentation about the new public defense standards that have recently been adopted by the State Supreme Court. Mr. Harmell spoke about how the new standards came about, what they are, and how they may apply to the City. He explained the process after someone is arrested. He stated that his office handles approximately 180 cases per year for the City. He was also available to answer any questions.

Prosecutor's Office Overview – Sarah Roberts, Municipal Prosecuting Attorney, was present to provide a brief presentation on what the prosecutor handles for the City, how she works with the police department and the domestic violence advocate, and what services she provides. She stated that in 2012 she prosecuted approximately 350 case for the City, with domestic violence

and DUI cases usually taking up the bulk of her time. She was also available to answer any questions.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Rick Verlinda, 19017 62nd Avenue NE, Kenmore, was present state his concerns regarding enforcement of the leash law at Northshore Summit Park.

Dave Crawford, 7534 NE 175th Street, Kenmore, was present to state his concerns about the public records request process and City spending on public works projects.

Mayor Baker thanked the citizens for their comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Sperry moved to approve the consent agenda as submitted. Deputy Mayor Hensel seconded the motion to Approve Check Nos. 27478 - 27536 in the Amount of \$529,133.99 and Electronically Transferred Payroll Funds Totaling \$60,400.95 and Payroll Check Nos. 209984 – 209985 Which Total \$2,970.33 for the Period Ending March 14, 2013; Receive and File the January 2013 Financial Report; and Approve Resolution No. 13-214, West Creek Village Final Plat Approval. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing to Receive Public Testimony Regarding Ordinance No. 13-0355 Amending the 2013-2014 Biennial Budget – Joanne Gregory, Finance & Administration Director, was present to give a brief PowerPoint presentation. She explained why the budget amendment is needed and detailed the proposed changes by budget fund. She stated that \$744,000 of the adjustments are interfund transfers. She was also available to answer any questions.

Mayor Baker opened the public hearing to receive public testimony on this issue at 8:09 p.m.

As there were no citizens wishing to speak, Mayor Baker closed the public hearing at 8:09 p.m.

BUSINESS AGENDA

Ordinance No. 13-0355 Amending the 2013-2014 Biennial Budget – Joanne Gregory, Finance & Administration Director, was present to answer any further questions.

Councilmember Van Ness moved to Adopt Ordinance No. 13-0355 Amending the 2013-2014 Biennial Budget. Deputy Mayor Hensel seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

2012 Year-End Building & Permit Activity Report – Bryan Hampson was present to give a brief staff report regarding the activities of the building and permitting staff in 2012 and their goals for 2013-2014. He stated that there was a 40% increase in land use activity, including some substantial shoreline improvements, which increased land use revenues by 96%, and a 54% increase in new single-family residence permits over 2011. He was also available to answer any questions.

It was Council consensus that in the future they would like to have a map attached to any plat approvals so that they can easily see where the plat in question is located.

STAFF REPORT

City Manager Karlinsey announced the upcoming Parks Appreciation Day on Saturday, April 20th and the Volunteer Appreciation Celebration on Tuesday, April 23rd. He noted that Assistant City Manager Ousley has a couple of business events coming up. He asked for Council guidance on the impact fee deferral bill in the State legislature. He recommends the City oppose the bill because it takes away local control and the cost of administration and tracking is too high.

It was Council consensus that we have our lobbyist represent the City as being opposed to the proposed impact fee deferral legislation.

CITY COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS/REPORTS

Councilmember Van Ness urged people to attend the April 7th slough celebration event.

Deputy Mayor Hensel, in reference to a citizen comment, verified that the City would only contact Animal Control services if we received a complaint.

Mayor Baker stated that he received a letter from a family who recently lost their son and wanted to have a memorial in City Hall. City staff went out of their way to make it happen on short notice and also presented a red rose to the mother. He stated that he received a card today from Representative DelBene thanking the City for bringing her a piece of art work of Kenmore, which is hanging prominently in the front office. He stated that there is a lot going on with the State budget, and it is not good news for cities. He has signed a letter, along with other Association of Washington Cities (AWC) board members, which was sent to the governor and members of the budget committee to express cities' concerns. He noted that the more people who call or send e-mails to Olympia to express concerns, the better. He stated that last Saturday morning he joined Representative Gerry Pollett for "office hours" at Jay's Café, and three or four Kenmore residents and a few other people joined them to discuss issues of concern. He announced the Monday, April 1st Coffee with Council and the Fallen Heroes Project coming up Wednesday, April 10th at 7:00 p.m. at Third Place Commons in Lake Forest Park.

City Manager Karlinsey stated that Councilmember Smith and Mayor Baker are scheduled to go to Coffee with Council on Monday, April 1st.

Councilmember Sperry requested that Council receive a copy of the Coffee with Council schedule.

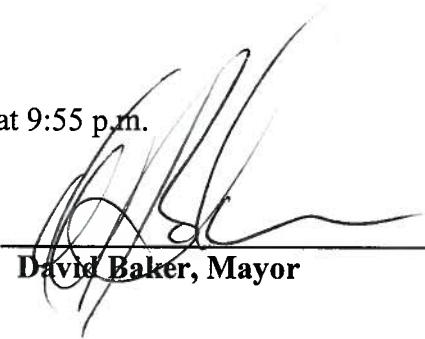
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Baker recessed the regular meeting to an executive session at 8:45 p.m. to discuss Property Disposition, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(c), and Litigation, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). He stated that the executive session will last for approximately 45 minutes and that no action is anticipated following the executive session.

Mayor Baker extended the executive session for 30 minutes at 9:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Baker adjourned the regular meeting at 9:55 p.m.



David Baker, Mayor

ATTEST:



Patty Safrin, City Clerk