

City of Kenmore, Washington
City Council Special & Regular Meeting
Minutes
November 25, 2013

CALL TO ORDER – The special meeting of the Kenmore City Council was called to order by Mayor David Baker at 5:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Baker recessed the special meeting at 5:30 p.m. to an executive session to discuss Property Disposition, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(c), and Potential Litigation, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). He stated that the executive session will last for approximately 90 minutes and that no action is anticipated when the meeting is reconvened.

ADJOURNMENT – Mayor Baker adjourned the special meeting at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Baker called the regular meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

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

Staff present: Rob Karlinsey, City Manager; Joanne Gregory, Finance & Administration Director; Kris Overleese, Engineering & Environmental Services Director; Debbie Bent, Director of Community Development; Marc Connelly, Parks Projects Manager; Rod Kaseguma, City Attorney; and Patty Safrin, City Clerk

FLAG SALUTE

Boy Scout Troop 582 led the flag salute.

AGENDA APPROVAL

It was Council consensus to approve the agenda as submitted.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Alene Fisher, 5506 NE 190th Street, Kenmore, was present to thank the Council for their support of the new parks plan and to express her support for building a new boathouse.

Dave Crawford, 7534 NE 175th Street, Kenmore, was present to state his concerns regarding executive sessions and the effect on Kenmore Air when the President is in the area.

Kate Donaldson, 6401 NE 181st Street, Kenmore, was present to state her concerns regarding monitoring of fumes at the Cemex plant.

Elizabeth Mooney, 5934 NE 201st Street, Kenmore, was present was present to state her concerns regarding monitoring of fumes at the Cemex plant.

Berit McAlister, 5830 NE Arrowhead Drive, Kenmore, was present to express her support for building a new boathouse.

Debra Srebnik, 18521 63rd Avenue NE, Kenmore, was present to thank the Council for their support of the new parks plan and to express her support for building a new boathouse.

Mayor Baker thanked the citizens for their comments. He noted that Council has visited with the Congressional Oversight Office, the Secret Service, and the City's lobbyists regarding problems caused for Kenmore Air by Presidential visits.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Rogers moved to approve the consent agenda as submitted.

Councilmember Sperry seconded the motion to Adopt the Minutes of the October 28, 2013 City Council Regular Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing to Receive Public Testimony Regarding Ordinance No. 13-0365, 2014

Property Tax Levy – Joanne Gregory, Finance & Administration Director, was present to provide a PowerPoint presentation, including slides showing how various property tax scenarios would affect a homeowner. She discussed revenue sources which contribute to the General Fund and how they relate to property taxes. She was also available to answer any questions.

Mayor Baker opened the public hearing to receive public testimony on this issue at 7:36 p.m.

The following citizen spoke:

Dave Crawford, 7534 NE 175th Street, Kenmore, was present to state his concerns about properties in Kenmore which are currently empty.

As there was no further testimony, Mayor Baker closed the public hearing at 7:38 p.m.

Public Hearing to Receive Public Testimony Regarding Ordinance No. 13-0366, 2013-2014

Mid-Biennium Budget Amendment - Joanne Gregory, Finance & Administration Director, was present to provide a PowerPoint presentation in which she detailed the proposed adjustments. She also available to answer any questions.

Mayor Baker opened the public hearing to receive public testimony on this issue at 7:49 p.m.

The following citizen spoke:

Dave Crawford, 7534 NE 175th Street, Kenmore, was present to state his concerns regarding taxes, surface water management fees, and water franchise fees.

As there was no further testimony, Mayor Baker closed the public hearing at 7:52 p.m.

BUSINESS AGENDA

Resolution No. 13-228 in Support of Upcoming Northshore School Board Levy – Rob Karlinsey, City Manager, and Janet Quinn, of Citizens for Northshore Schools, were present to give a brief report regarding the Northshore School Board Levy. They were also available to answer any questions. Janet Quinn distributed a Fall 2013 Northshore School District newsletter to Council.

Mayor Baker opened a public comment period to receive public testimony on this issue at 8:00 p.m.

As there were no citizens wishing to speak, Mayor Baker closed the public comment period at 8:00 p.m.

Councilmember Sperry moved to Adopt Resolution No. 13-228 in Support of the Upcoming Northshore School Board Levy. Councilmember Curtis seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Ordinance No. 13-0368 – Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan & Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan – Debbie Bent, Community Development Director, and Marc Connelly, Parks Projects Manager, were present to give a brief staff report explaining what passage of this ordinance would mean. They were also available to answer any questions.

Councilmember Rogers moved to Adopt Ordinance No. 13-0368, Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan & Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan. Councilmember Curtis seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

STUDY SESSION AGENDA

Review of Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Amendments - Joanne Gregory, Finance & Administration Director, was present to review the CIP and highlight the proposed changes. She was available to answer any questions. Rob Karlinsey, City Manager; Kris Overleese, Engineering & Environmental Services Director; Debbie Bent, Community Development Director; and Marc Connelly, Parks Projects Manager, were also available to answer questions.

Review of 2013-2014 Mid-Biennium Budget Amendment, Ordinance No. 13-0366 - Joanne Gregory, Finance & Administration Director, was present to review the recommended budget adjustments. She was also available to answer any questions.

Councilmember Curtis moved to remove the acquisition of a digital reader board at City Hall, a proposed one-time Equipment Replacement Fund expense of \$25,000, from the 2013-2014 Mid-Biennium Budget Amendments. Mayor Baker seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-1, with Councilmember Smith voting no.

STAFF REPORT

City Manager Karlinsey stated that there will be no one-on-one meetings with Councilmembers this week due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

CITY COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS & COMMENTS

Councilmember Van Ness gave a report on the recent Economic Development Council Board Retreat. He stated that they are optimistic on all fronts, with housing values and rentals increasing and drivers' licenses increasing, and are supportive of the development of a natural health sciences industry cluster in Kenmore.

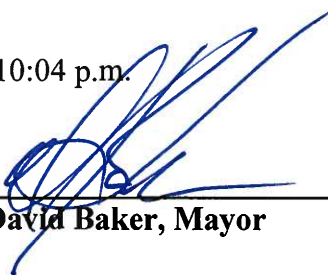
Councilmember Curtis stated his concerns regarding a proposed joint letter in support of light rail due to the cost of light rail.

Councilmember Smith stated that he sat in on the recent audit exit interview and enjoyed hearing how well our City is being managed financially.

Councilmember Rogers thanked Finance & Administration Director Gregory for all her work.

Mayor Baker stated that he went on a Transportation Commission bus tour recently, and he brought them through Kenmore to show them what is happening here. He stated that he will meet with the Governor in the morning.

Mayor Baker adjourned the regular meeting at 10:04 p.m.



David Baker, Mayor

ATTEST:



Patty Safrin, City Clerk