

**City of Kenmore
City Council Meeting
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 17, 2023**

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Meeting video and audio is available on the City YouTube channel.

PRESENT:

Councilmembers: Mayor Nigel Herbig
Deputy Mayor Melanie O’Cain
Councilmember David Baker – Virtual
Councilmember Joe Marshall
Councilmember Angela Kugler
Councilmember Debra Srebnik
Councilmember Corina Pfeil

Staff: Acting City Manager Stephanie Lucash
City Attorney Dawn Reitan
Acting City Clerk Michelle Kang
Co-Clerk Brian Randall
Parks Project Manager Rob Sayre-McCord
Engineering Director John Vicente

Speaking Guests: Elizabeth Mooney, Proclamation Recipient on behalf of People for
an Environmentally Responsible Kenmore (PERK)
Jeremy Jones, Proclamation Recipient on behalf of the Sno-King
Watershed Council
Eric Schroeder, Friends of Kenmore Boathouse President
Thomas Sanderson, Friends of Kenmore Boathouse Board Member
Dr. Jeff Tomlin, EvergreenHealth CEO
Rebecca Hirt, EvergreenHealth Commissioner

Public Comments Speaking Guests:
Victoria Grayland, Kenmore Resident
Dakota Rash, Lake Forest Park Resident

CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Herbig called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Herbig led the Council in the flag salute.

AGENDA APPROVAL

The agenda was approved as presented.

PROCLAMATIONS

- A. Mayor Herbig read the Earth Day Proclamation and declared April 22, 2023 as Earth Day in the City of Kenmore. The City Council presented the Proclamation to Elizabeth Mooney on behalf of People for an Environmentally Responsible Kenmore (PERK). Elizabeth Mooney provided some remarks. The City Council took a photo with Elizabeth Mooney.

[Proclamation - Earth Day 2023](#)

- B. Mayor Herbig read the Arbor Day Proclamation and declared April 28, 2023 as Arbor Day in the City of Kenmore. The City Council presented the Proclamation to Jeremy Jones on behalf of the Sno-King Watershed Council. Jeremy Jones provided some remarks. The City Council took a photo with Jeremy Jones.

[Proclamation - Arbor Day 2023](#)

PRESENTATIONS

- A. Rhododendron Park Boathouse Fundraising Quarterly Update, presented by Parks Project Manager Rob Sayre-McCord, Friends of Kenmore Boathouse President Eric Schroeder, and Board Member Thomas Sanderson

[Agenda Bill - Quarterly Fundraising Update](#)

[Attachment 1 - Kenmore Public Boathouse Lease and Management Agreement](#)

[Attachment 2 - Kenmore Community Rowing Club \(KCRC\) Partner Letter Update](#)

Parks Project Manager Rob Sayre-McCord, Friends of Kenmore Boathouse President Eric Schroeder, and Board Member Thomas Sanderson presented to the Council a quarterly update of the Rhododendron Park Boathouse fundraising efforts. Eric Schroeder assumed the role of president after the previous president stepped down. The Council encouraged the organization to continue and try different fundraising techniques.

- B. EvergreenHealth Update, presented by CEO Dr. Jeff Tomlin and Commissioner Rebecca Hirt

[Presentation - EvergreenHealth Update](#)

CEO Dr. Jeff Tomlin and Commissioner Rebecca Hirt presented to the Council an update from EvergreenHealth. There have been recent enhancements such as family maternity center upgrades and new software. There is an ongoing concern of limited bed capacity and staffing constraints.

WHERE'S THE FUN?

Acting City Manager Stephanie Lucash presented a photo of Moorlands Park during an early morning sunrise, courtesy of Parks Lead Maintenance Worker Quinn Proffitt. Stephanie Lucash also acknowledged the hard work of the public works crew.

Stephanie Lucash also presented photos and videos from the Hydroplane Event that took place this past Saturday, April 15th, courtesy of Mayor Herbig and Councilmember Marshall.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The City Council took comments from the public.

Timestamped link here:

https://www.youtube.com/live/Eykq1Q_HGrc?feature=share&t=5162

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve Total Check #s 51714 through 51818 totaling \$451,549.27 and Total Payroll/Taxes/Flexible Spending/Retirement & Health Savings Account Electronic Deposits Dated 03/24/2023 in the amount totaling \$213,624.59 and ACH Payment to KBA Inc. in the amount of \$33,005.89, and ACH Payment to Thomco Construction Inc. in the amount of \$225,613.60, and ACH Payments to US Bank Purchase Cards in the amount of \$20,749.88, and Payroll Check #10210 in the amount of \$2,380.15.
[Voucher Certification and Approval 03/18/23-03/31/23](#)

MOTION: Councilmember Kugler moved to approve the consent agenda outlined above. Councilmember Pfeil seconded the motion.

VOTE: Consent Agenda was approved by UNANIMOUS CONSENT

STUDY SESSION AGENDA

- A. Kenmore Municipal Code (KMC) Title 12 Updates continued, presented by Engineering Director John Vicente, *for Discussion and Direction*
[Agenda Bill - KMC Title 12 Updates](#)
[Attachment A - KMC Title 12, Red Lined Changes](#)
[Attachment B - KMC Title 12, Clean Copy](#)
[Attachment C - Summary of Title 12 Changes](#)
[Presentation - KMC Title 12 Updates](#)

Engineering Director John Vicente continued his three-part study session discussion with the Council about KMC Title 12 updates. The focus is on policy-type changes, rather than de minimis changes.

The sections discussed tonight include:

- 12.58 – Wireless Communication Facilities within City Rights-of-Way
- 12.60 – Public and Private Utilities on Real Property
- 12.65 – Snow Emergency Routes
- 12.70 – Sidewalks, Planting Strips, and Street Trees

Councilmembers provided questions and comments.

- Can we do anything to get new towers to disguise themselves?
 - Yes, within our development code we can establish how the towers can look.
- We should be clearer on the right of way part of 12.70. Right of way is public, defined by law.
- Hope that there is a list of potential resources that will help with accessibility and social economic issues.
- Do we have exemptions or discretion where it might be a hardship of maintenance?
 - The only flexibility in the proposed changes would be in those situations where the lot has differing grades. There are no clauses about financial hardships. There would need to be policies put in place that identify what economic hardship is. We have tried our best to accommodate.
 - City Attorney Dawn Reitan noted that at the end of 12.70, there is a possibility of exemption by the City Engineer based on standards that the department develops, so there is some flexibility built into it.

The third and final study session for KMC Title 12 Updates will be during the May 1st Special Meeting. The KMC Title 12 Updates ordinance will be brought before the Council for adoption consideration on May 22, 2023.

STAFF REPORTS

ARPA Pandemic Recover Grants for Kenmore Small Businesses and Non-Profits opens on May 1, 2023. There are two information sessions about the grant process: April 20th and May 11th. The applications are due by May 31, 2023.

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS & COMMENTS

The Council had consensus to bring back the topic of land acknowledgment for discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Herbig adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:03 PM.


 Nigel G. Herbig (May 24, 2023 09:35 PDT)

Nigel Herbig, Mayor


 Michelle Kang (May 24, 2023 09:21 PDT)

Michelle Kang, Acting City Clerk

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Final Audit Report

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