

REGULAR MEETING DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

September 14, 2000

At 7:29 p.m., Deputy City Clerk Chaufy announced that the executive session would extend for approximately another ten minutes.

The regular meeting of the Des Moines City Council was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Sheckler in the Council Chambers, 21630 11th Avenue South, Suite B.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the Flag was led by Councilmember Kaplan.

ROLL CALL – Present: Mayor Pro Tem Bob Sheckler, Councilmembers Terry Brazil, Dave Kaplan, Dan Sherman, Gary Towe, and Don Wasson. Absent: Mayor Scott Thomasson (vacation). Also present were City Manager Bob Olander, Assistant City Manager Tony Piasecki, City Attorney Gary McLean, Finance Director Scott McCarty, Community Development Director Judith Kilgore, Harbormaster Joe Dusenbury, Planning Manager Corbitt Loch, Building Official Larry Pickard, Senior Planner Robert Ruth and Deputy City Clerk Angela Chaufy.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Sherman, seconded by Councilmember Kaplan, and passed unanimously to excuse Mayor Thomasson from attendance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Hank Hopkins, 3720 Serene Way, Lynnwood

As president of Wescot Company and Environmental Materials Transport, Mr. Hopkins informed Council that his company had been working six years to construct a temporary conveyor system to transport third runway construction materials. He encouraged the City to utilize the conveyor system as a back-up system in case construction of the runway was approved. Mr. Hopkins asked Council to share the conveyor system information with the citizens and to consider his proposal.

Tom Mannard, 22315 6th Avenue South

Mr. Mannard urged Council to purchase the available property adjacent to the Marina. As a former Councilmember, he recognized that it would be a difficult decision but felt that it was important for the City to control the use of the property.

Pat Nardo, 1224 South 224th Place

Mr. Nardo clarified that he was speaking as a private citizen and not on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce. He presented Council with a petition containing over one hundred signatures. He highlighted the following issues contained within the petition:

- Parking Space Fee – Mr. Nardo thanked Council for repealing the fee.
- Business License Fees – Mr. Nardo asked Council to reconsider the 2000 business license fee increases and instead, adopt reasonable, incremental fee increases.
- Airport Communities Coalition – Mr. Nardo encouraged Council to stop funding the fight against the Third Runway and allow other government agencies to resolve the issue.

Jeanne Moeller, 22211 Cliff Avenue South

Ms. Moeller encouraged Council to pursue the acquisition of the water districts. She stated her belief that the City Council formed a stronger board than the special districts' boards. She said that the special districts had originally been formed as the cities were not yet incorporated in the area. Ms. Moeller felt that Council provided the best hope for the citizens. In closing, she thanked Council for their public service.

BOARD & COMMITTEE REPORTS

State Legislative Meetings

Councilmember Kaplan noted that the following House and Senate Committee meetings had been scheduled:

- Local Government Task Force, September 20, 2000.
- House Natural Resource Meeting regarding aquatic leasing issues, September 22, 2000.

Municipal Facilities Committee

Councilmember Towe reviewed the various Marina Master Plan components that had been studied by the committee. He felt that it was important for Council to view the components in light of the larger vision for the Marina. Councilmember Towe noted that the Marina Master Plan process would include the gathering of public input. He said that Harbormaster Dusenbury had met with the Marina Tenants Association to share information. He noted that meetings would also be scheduled with home and condo owners in the area. Councilmember Towe thanked the committee members and staff for their efforts on the Marina Master Plan.

Green River, Duwamish River, and Central Puget Sound Watershed Forum

Councilmember Brazil reported that the group had discussed whether the individual jurisdictions were prepared to support the interlocal agreement dealing with the Endangered Species Act's requirements for salmon. He noted that the topic would be presented to Council at a future meeting.

Suburban Cities Association

Councilmember Brazil reported that an economist had addressed the membership and informed them that the economy was doing well.

Street Light Utility

Councilmember Sherman said he was pleased that Council had repealed the street light utility tax.

Potential Marina Property Acquisition

Councilmember Sherman felt that it was important to obtain public comment regarding the potential acquisition of marina property.

City Manager Olander stated that he would contact the Mayor to arrange for public comment during the study session regarding the topic.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Police Ride-Along Program

City Manager Olander reported that Councilmember Kaplan had participated in the Police Ride-Along Program. If any other Councilmembers were interested in participating in the program, he asked that they contact him.

Briefing: Community Development Department

Community Development Director Kilgore informed Council that the city had experienced growth in permitting and building in the last five years. She anticipated \$1,000,000 to \$1,200,000 in departmental revenues for the year. Upon questioning, she explained that the Port of Seattle had no firm plans to expand their Noise Remedy Program.

Planning Manager Loch noted that the Community Development Department was comprised of the Plan Development Division, Development Services Division, and Building Division. He explained that the Plan Development Division dealt with long range planning, solid waste franchise management, and GIS services.

Senior Planner Ruth displayed the current project development map for the city. While showing pictures of particular projects, he noted that current development trends include the construction of single-family homes in environmentally sensitive areas, subdivisions, townhomes, and mixed use development. In regard to future projects, he said that seven residential subdivisions were currently being prepared for Council's review. He explained that land value, the Growth Management Act, city investment in public infrastructure, appreciating land values, and the healthy economy had contributed to the development surge.

Building Official Pickard stated that the objective of the Building Division was to insure public fire and life safety and to provide quality customer service. He noted that the division's goals were achieved through their in-house electrical program, enhanced plan review process, thorough pre-construction meetings, and quality inspections. He displayed a map illustrating the area permits issued from 1995 through 2000. He noted that the building division staff currently held 21 professional certificates.

Mayor Pro Tem Sheckler stated the need for a code enforcement officer in the department.

CONSENT CALENDAR was read by Deputy City Clerk Chaufy.

1. Motion is to approve the minutes of August 10, 2000.
2. Findings: Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.080, have been recorded on a listing which has been made available to the City Council.

Motion: As of this date the Des Moines City Council, by unanimous vote, does approve for payment those vouchers and payroll transfers included in the above list and further described as follows:

Claim check # 72803 through #73185 in the total amount of \$777,162.13

Payroll fund transfers in the total amount of \$616,289.19

3. Motion is to approve the interlocal agreement with King County relating to building permits and land use applications in the Redondo Riviera Annexation area, and authorize the City Manager to sign said agreement substantially in the form as submitted.

4. Motion is to approve surplusing of various used computer equipment as submitted and one Sharp Electronic Cash Register Serial #3900100X and authorize disposing of by auction, sale or transfer to other department or agencies.”

MOTION was made by Councilmember Kaplan and seconded by Councilmember Sherman to approve the consent calendar as read.

In regard to Item #3, City Attorney McLean confirmed that the Federal Way School District had impact fee requirements for permits obtained within their school district’s boundaries.

VOTE ON MOTION: Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

Community Development Block Grant 2001 Allocations

Mayor Pro Tem Sheckler introduced the subject of the Public Hearing.

City Attorney McLean addressed the audience and inquired as to whether anyone wished to testify during the public hearing. No one asked to speak during the public hearing.

Seeing that no one wished to testify during the public hearing, Mayor Pro Tem Sheckler asked Community Development Director Kilgore to proceed with her presentation.

Community Development Director Kilgore informed Council that \$223,261 of CDBG funds were available to the City of Des Moines. She noted that in April 2000, the Council had decided to accept the funds, adopted policies to guide the allocation of the funds, reserved the maximum possible (\$35,331) to support public service, and reserved the maximum possible (\$32,420) for planning and administration. Ms. Kilgore said that three proposals had been received. Funding for the City of Des Moines Field House request had not been recommended as administration did not believe that the project met CDBG criteria. She proposed that the money be allocated in the following manner:

Senior Center Operations	\$35,331
Planning and Administration	32,420
Pacific Ridge Streetlight Improvements	63,154
Senior Center Acquisition	92,356

As there were no speakers, Mayor Pro Tem Sheckler closed the public hearing.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Sherman, seconded by Councilmember Brazil, and passed unanimously to allocate the 2001 CDBG funds as recommended and listed by Administration in the City Council agenda item summary prepared for the September 14, 2000 City Council meeting and that any reprogrammed funds or additional 2001 allocations be directed to the acquisition of the Senior Center land acquisition.

At 8:50 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Sheckler declared a ten-minute break.

1999 Financial Report - Marina

Finance Director McCarty noted that the Marina budget included Marina Revenue, Capital Improvement, Bond Reserve, and Repair and Replacement funds. He stated that his report would focus upon the Marina Reserve and Capital Improvement funds. Finance Director McCarty explained that revenue had increased due to the winter and overnight moorage program, the sale of forfeited boats, and the underestimation of fuel sales.

Harbormaster Dusenbury briefly described the winter and overnight moorage program to Council.

Finance Director McCarty noted that 1999 expenditures were down due to less than expected part-time seasonal salaries and an incorrect fuel budget amount. He explained that the combination of excess revenues and reduced expenses had resulted in a net profit of \$56,691 being transferred to the Capital Improvement Fund.

In regard to the Capital Improvement Fund, Finance Director McCarty explained that the end of year cash balance for the fund was \$414,411. He noted that the increase over the projected 1999 amount was due to the transfer from the Revenue Fund and the fact that only the design of the south restroom remodel had been completed.

Councilmember Towe asked staff to provide information regarding the allocation of money resulting from the rate increase.

Harbormaster Dusenbury noted that money had been spent to repair the seawall and to replace the underground storage tanks.

Upon questioning from Councilmember Sherman, City Manager Olander noted that staff recommended that the transformer replacement project and upgrade to services on the docks be delayed until repair of the seawall was complete.

Harbormaster Dusenbury explained that the seawall had now been reinforced. He noted that repair of the pilings had been part of an ongoing maintenance program. He said that the condition of the pilings had consistently been tracked and a repair and maintenance plan had been established.

Marina Financial Update 2nd Quarter 2000

Finance Director McCarty displayed a chart of the Marina Revenue Fund Year 2000 projections. He noted that second quarter figures were consistent with previous projections. In regard to the Capital Improvement Fund, he estimated the end of year cash available balance to be \$469,129.

NEXT MEETING DATE - Regular Meeting September 28, 2000

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Chaufy
Deputy City Clerk