

**TOWN OF HUNTS POINT  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY August 3, 2015  
6:00 PM**



**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Joe Sabey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Council Members Present:**

Ted Frantz  
Dan Temkin (Councilmember Temkin left at 7:57 pm)  
Ken Fisher  
Pat Finnely

**Council Member Absent:**

Elaine Coles

**Staff:**

Sue Ann Spens, Clerk Treasurer  
Linda Kroner, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer  
Stacia Schroeder, Town Engineer  
Mona Green, Town Planner  
Chief Steve Burns, Medina Police

**Public Attendees:**

Robert Larson, Century Link  
Michael Heijer, Resident

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Resident Michael Heijer commented in the following:

1. The signs on the bicycle trail are too high. Mayor Sabey noted that WSDOT said that the height was the standard they used. He will inquire again.
2. Some of the trees planted as part of the SR 520 project have died and been replaced. He wanted to know if anyone from the Town is checking to see that trees are in good condition and are replaced. Mr. Heijer was informed that all residents should notify the Town if they see any problem with the plantings and we will notify WSDOT.
3. Concern regarding light shining into Fairweather from the SR 520 lights and the need to further shield the lights. Mayor Sabey indicated that the Town has tried to work with WSDOT on this matter including hiring a consultant to study the amount of light shining into Fairweather. WSDOT has said that what they have installed is they standard and their main concern is safety on the highway. At this point they do not plan to take any further action.

**CONSENT CALENDAR** Consists of routine items for which Council discussion is not required. A Councilmember may request that an item be moved to Regular Business for discussion. Consent items are approved with one vote.

**Motion:** Approve the Consent Calendar, including minutes of July 6, 2015 Council meeting as corrected and the August 3 Warrant Register for warrant numbers 150526 through 150555 (including No. 150546 voided for printing error) in the amount of \$95,855.65. Moved by Temkin seconded by Frantz.  
Passed 4 - 0.

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **STAFF REPORTS**

### **Medina Police Department**

Chief Steve Burns reported that in the last four months there has been only one car prowl in Hunts Point and Medina. He also reported that the "Coffee with a Cop" meeting held at Hunts Point Town Hall was well received. Over 20 residents, mostly from Hunts Point, attended. The Mayors of Hunts Point and Medina toured the waterfront with Seattle Marine Patrol to review and discuss any concerns. He noted that Seattle Marine Patrol is very responsive to any issues brought to their attention.

Medina Police have been patrolling on 28<sup>th</sup> near the roundabout to encourage drivers to slow down. Their experience indicates that most of the speeders are commuters and not residents. In response to a question, Chief Burns noted that the number of collisions has been reduced as people are getting used to the roundabout.

Concern was expressed about people parking and generally loitering in the turnaround area at the end of Fairweather. Chief Burns stated that people should call 911 if they see anything suspicious and officers will investigate.

Chief Burns reported that the department is short-handed as there is an officer on extended absence due to illness. He also reported that he attended a meeting at the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that was very informative. He anticipates implementing some of the suggestions especially as regards to missing children.

### **Bellevue Fire Department – Report Noted**

**Clerk Report:** Clerk Treasurer Sue Ann Spens reported that parking lot improvements are generally complete. The landscaping portion of the parking lot improvements will be handled by the Beautification Committee. She also noted that the next Council meeting will be September 14, 2015 which is one week later than usual due to Labor Day being on the first Monday.

**Town Planner:** Town Planner Mona Green informed the Council that there are inconsistencies in sections of the Hunts Point Municipal Code regarding R20 and R20A

zones. The language in these sections was intended to be the same, but through an error it is not. She recommended that the Planning Commission be asked to review the matter and take action to recommend appropriate changes to the Council.

**Motion:** Send information to the Planning Commission regarding inconsistencies in the Municipal Code sections regarding R20 and R20A and ask them to review, hold hearings and recommend appropriate action to the Council. Moved by Temkin seconded by Finnely.

Passed 4 - 0.

**MOTION CARRIED**

As requested by the Council at the June meeting, Town Planner Green sent the draft of the Shoreline Master Program to the Town Attorney for review. He noted a couple errors in references to be fixed. The changes are minor, and there is no need for further Council review. She will send the information received from the Town Attorney to the Council for their information.

**Motion:** Authorize the Town Planner Mona Green to make the changes suggested by the Town Attorney and submit the final draft to the Department of Ecology for their review and approval. Moved by Frantz seconded by Fisher.

Passed 4 - 0.

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH PROCLAMATION**

**Motion:** Adopt the Proclamation supporting September 2015 as National Recovery Month. Moved by Finnely seconded by Temkin.

Passed 4 - 0.

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **CENTURY LINK – APPROVAL TO USE CONDUIT**

Mr. Robert Larson of Century Link asked the Council for permission to use existing Town conduit to install the infrastructure to have 1 gig service available for residents of Hunts Point. He was asked if they would consider an agreement with a specific term. He stated that they would consider only if it was a lengthy term.

**Motion:** Authorize Century Link to use the existing conduit to provide 1 gig service to residents of Hunts Point and direct staff to work with Century Link to develop an appropriate agreement for such use. Moved by Frantz seconded by Finnely.

Passed 4 - 0.

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **ORDINANCE NO. 513 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ADOPTION**

The Council reviewed the final draft of the plan at the July meeting. Passage of Ordinance No. 513 will complete the adoption process.

**Motion:** Pass Ordinance No. 513 adopting the 2015 Comprehensive Plan for the Town of Hunts Point. Moved by Temkin seconded by Frantz.

Passed 4 - 0.

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **PROPOSED PARKING CODE CHANGES**

In May, the Planning Commission was asked to review the current parking rules in the Hunts Point Municipal Code. As part of that study, Commissioners heard input from residents regarding preferences and experiences. Their recommendations and resident input was reviewed.

Chief Burns explained that parking enforcement tends to be complaint driven and added that if residents are hosting an event, they can contact Medina Police regarding the expected volume and timing of parking near their residence. Concern was expressed that the language in the current code needs to be clearer regarding parking on or off the roadway. Clerk Treasurer Sue Ann Spens will review the current Hunts Point rules with Chief Burns and make recommendations to the Council about the areas that need to be clarified.

The Council decided that "No Parking" signs should be installed at the end of Hunts Point Road now to preserve this space for large and emergency vehicles to turn around. Town Engineer Stacia Schroeder was asked to review other areas in the Town where no parking or other restrictions should be posted.

### **ORDINANCE NO. 514 TRAFFIC CODE CHANGES**

The Council reviewed the proposed ordinance, which would make it unlawful for drivers originating south of the SR520 roundabout to use the Hunts Point traffic circle as a way of jumping the queue waiting to merge onto SR 520. Minor changes in the wording were suggested; it was the consensus of the Council to incorporate these changes and pass a revised version of the ordinance.

**Motion:** Pass revised Ordinance No. 514 amending Hunts Point Municipal Code Section 10.05.070 related to use of traffic circle for access to State Route 520 prohibited. Moved by Fisher seconded by Frantz.

Passed 4 - 0.

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **PLACEMENT OF BASKETBALL HOOP**

The Council continued their discussion of placing a basketball hoop in one of the tennis courts.

**Motion:** Install one regulation basketball hoop as far against the fence as possible and authorize expenditure not to exceed \$4,000. Moved by Fisher seconded by Finnely.

Passed 4 - 0.

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **HUNTS POINT CIRCLE SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS**

Town Engineer Stacia Schroeder reviewed the estimates she received for providing full improvements to Hunts Point Circle. She indicated that some areas seemed high and that she can handle the engineering portion of the project to save money. There was further discussion regarding the need to do the curbs at the corners regardless of any other improvements done to the road.

Funding for the project was discussed. Town Engineer Schroeder was asked to investigate possible sources of grant funding. She will also review the estimates to see if the dollar amount can be reduced and will determine the price per square foot for concrete.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

There was discussion regarding various SR520-related issues. Concerns were expressed about backups on the 84<sup>th</sup> roundabout. Mayor Sabey indicated he is continuing to discuss this issue with WSDOT.

Mayor Sabey reported that he attended a recent Medina City Council meeting and requested that they not make any changes to 84<sup>th</sup> until the problems with the roundabout are addressed. He commented that they seemed receptive to the idea.

He then commented on discussions with Clyde Hill regarding a memorandum of understanding signed some years ago allowing Clyde Hill to "restore" Points Drive to an earlier configuration. The agreement was signed before the current roundabout significantly altered traffic patterns in this vicinity, and there would be SEPA regulations to follow before any changes can be made.

Mayor Sabey reported that Julie Meredith, SR 520 Project Manager, will be attending the next Points Cities Mayor's meeting. She will be discussing the roundabout, lid maintenance and other issues.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** Adjourn the meeting at 8:31 pm. Moved by Frantz, seconded by Fisher.  
Passed 3-0 **MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

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Linda Kroner, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer