

TOWN OF HUNTS POINT

COUNCIL MEETING

OCTOBER 4, 2010



CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ted Frantz opened the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Councilmembers Dee Claypool, Jill Davis, Kevin Hughes and Jim Nordstrom were present. Staff present were Assistant Town Attorney Margaret King, Chief Jeff Chen of the Medina Police, Town Planner Mona Green, Town Engineer Joe Willis, Deputy Clerk Linda Longmire and Town Administrator Jack McKenzie. Residents present were Henrik Nielsen, Heather and Justin Smith, Ken Fisher, Annie Ottesen, Marianne and Patrick Jones, Elaine Coles and Bruce Swenson.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2010

MOTION: Approve the minutes of the Town Council Meeting of September 7, 2010 as corrected. Moved by Nordstrom, seconded by Hughes. Passed 4-0.

MOTION CARRIED

POLICE REPORT

Chief Chen said it was quiet in Hunts Point in September. He explained an E-Lert message he sent regarding an altercation involving several workers at a job site. It required six officers, two from Hunts Point, two from Clyde Hill and two from Bellevue to get the situation under control.

Chief Chen also presented information on the emergency services exercise called "Sound Shake 2010" that was to be staged on October 8th. It is set at a time three days after an earthquake that was 6.7 on the Richter Scale and covers the recovery activities.

FIRE REPORT

Mayor Frantz reported there were three EMS calls in Hunts Point in August.

COMMENT PERIOD

Mayor Frantz opened a comment period for information from members of the audience who had not spoken at either the August or September Council Meetings on the subject of the intersection alignment and design at 84th and SR-520. After a five minute period without comments the Mayor closed the comment period.

EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT

Mayor Frantz reported an Executive Session was held prior to the Council Meeting to discuss the status of the lawsuit in Jones v. Hunts Point. He said no action was taken and that attorney Bob Sterbank would be in touch with the Jones.

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AMEND HPMC 18.20.100

Mayor Frantz said the Planning Commission discussed the change to structures in the setbacks and determined that the current Tree Code should be given a chance to provide sufficient authority and direction to solve the problem.

REAL ESTATE EXCISE TAX REBATE

Mr. McKenzie said there was a mistake made in King County's calculation of shares of Real Estate Excise Tax for each participating government. The mistake is to be corrected by a rebate of .3% for withheld REET to the affected governments. Hunts Point is to receive \$1,961.

KING COUNTY PLANNING POLICY CHANGES APPROVAL

Mr. McKenzie told the Council that, for King County's planning policy changes to become effective there must be an affirmation from at least thirty percent of the cities comprising at least seventy percent of the population of the County. After brief consideration the Council demurred taking action on the changes presented.

2011 DRAFT PRELIMINARY BUDGET

Mr. McKenzie presented the Draft Preliminary Budget for 2011. He said the Current Expense Fund (001) Budget was \$61,000 in the red but felt that it would be in good shape after all the revenue sources had been identified. He also said the other Funds were balanced in the black.

He detailed the one major project for 2011 which was the elevation of the north end of Fairweather Place to eliminate flooding at high water periods on Lake Washington. It is expected the cost of the project will be \$60,000 and the funds are available.

84TH INTERSECTION COMMITTEE

Mayor Frantz reminded the Council that a recommendation for the Committee was to increase its size to represent the Hunts Point Lane neighborhood and the Fairweather Basin Boat Club. Mayor Frantz appointed David Bocek to the Committee representing Hunts Point Lane and Michael Heijer to represent the Fairweather Basin Boat Club.

Mayor Frantz announced that he would be meeting with the Points Communities Mayors on Tuesday Morning the 5th early to discuss their take on the On-Ramp configuration and then, late in the morning, he will be meeting again with the Mayors and the senior staff at WSDOT to discuss the subject.

CELL TOWER STATUS

Ms. King told the Council that the Hearing Examiner had completed the findings report on the Hearing for the Special Projects Permit. His main finding was that the cell tower could be constructed as designed.

She also said that a reimbursement agreement with the tenants for the cell tower was near completion allowing the Town to recover its costs related to the cell tower planning and permitting.

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BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS FOR SALARY

Mayor Frantz informed the Council that it was his wish to provide performance awards to Staff for the year 2010. He recommended that Deputy Clerks Israel, Longmire and Spens be granted \$1,000 each for their excellent performance and that Town Administrator McKenzie receive \$3,000. The Council concurred without vote to include those amounts in the November pay warrants.

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS

Vouchers Nos. 148505 through 148535 in the amount of \$49,868.65 dated October 4, 2010 were presented for review, approval and signatures. Approval granted.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Adjourn the meeting at 7:55 PM. Moved by Davis, seconded by Hughes.
Passed 4-0. MOTION CARRIED

Jack McKenzie, Town Administrator

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