

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

April 9, 2007
6:30 pm

Medina City Hall
501 Evergreen Point Road

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council convened in Executive Session at 6:30 pm to hold discussions per RCW 42.30.110 (b). City Councilmembers Adam, Biglow, Blazey, Lawrence and Rudolph; City Attorney Tanaka and City Manager Weinberg were present. Executive Session adjourned at 7:00 pm and no action was taken.

CALL TO ORDER

Miles Adam called the April 9, 2007, Medina City Council Meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Miles Adam, Lucius Biglow, Drew Blazey, Jim Lawrence, and Robert Rudolph

Councilmembers Absent: Katie Phelps (excused) and Pete Vall-Spinosa (excused)

City Staff Present: Mark Weinberg, City Manager; Wayne Tanaka, City Attorney, Ogden Murphy Wallace; Joseph Gellings, Director of Development Services; Joe Willis, Director of Public Works; Jeff Chen, Police Chief; and Rachel Baker, City Clerk

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Adam stated item I-1, Upland Road Street Vacation Request Public Hearing, would be postponed to May 14 and Lawrence agreed to postpone item J-1, Discussion of Appointment Procedures for Vacant Park Board and Planning Commission Positions to a future agenda. Council approved remaining agenda items as presented.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adam announced an SR-520 executive meeting update would be distributed to councilmembers through city mailboxes. Adam announced city staff members Joe Willis and Joseph Gellings would represent Medina at design workshops over the next three months. He continued to say that the workshops would be held to generate either SR-520 final design solutions or alternatives to propose to the executive committee.

Adam clarified previous comments regarding the SR-520 quiet pavement test indicating that it would be a "quieter pavement test" and the test area would be extended west to Evergreen Point Road transit stop. Adam said the trial was not a mitigation measure,

but a free-standing test conducted by the Department of Transportation and further consideration would given to extend the test area more to the west.

Mayor read 2007 Arbor Day proclamation and confirmed a tree would be planted on April 27 in observance of National Arbor Day.

Council discussed the role of the SR-520 eastside mitigator and the resignation of Medina Days co-chairs Bret and Patty Jordan and Bruce and Kim Raskin.

Weinberg announced the City recently received a plaque, flag and street signs in recognition of being named a Tree City USA. Adam defined the requirements Medina met in order to be recognized with the honor.

Lawrence reminded councilmembers of the April 15 deadline to submit their Personal Financial Affairs Statement to the Washington State Public Disclosure Commission.

CONSENT AGENDA

<p>MOTION RUDOLPH AND SECOND BLAZEY TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:</p>

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minutes from March 12, 2007 City Council Meeting• Minutes from March 26, 2007 City Council Meeting• Approval of March 2007 Checks/Finance Officer's Report |
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<p>MOTION CARRIED 5-0 AT 7:25 PM.</p>
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AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Henry Paulman suggested council consider Medina resident Dan Becker for the SR-520 design committee since he has an engineering background and lives adjacent to the highway.

Heija Nunn stated there is a lot of community interest about SR-520 and questioned what the best way would be to submit feedback and questions about the proposed project. Adam directed her to State's SR-520 website and Weinberg indicated he would return with more information about how to submit community input.

Mrs. Nunn clarified there is not an organized committee for Medina Days, only the chairs recruit for various events. She conveyed her desire to volunteer for the Hopelink campaign and to help find chair replacements. Resident expressed it would be important for council to make a statement as to whether or not it supports the event. Mrs. Nunn said perhaps there could be consideration to make the event a non-profit organization which would make donations tax deductible and possibly attract more volunteers to take on leadership for the event. Council discussed the matter.

Resident stated cedar chips and additional shade are needed at the Medina Park playground and suggested residents may have trees they would like to remove from

their properties and donate for replanting in the park. Mrs. Nunn suggested installing Tree City USA signs in or near the parks.

Resident conveyed the low end of the range for modifications to the Medina Store should be represented in previous draft council minutes and noted consideration should be given to maintain community character and design and attractiveness when discussing pitched roof incentives.

Citizen residing at 8226 Overlake Drive West remarked the council may want to be aware that beer is consumed at some of the Medina Days events and to consider the ramifications.

REPORTS

Police Department (7:36 pm)

Chen updated the council regarding the conclusion of recent crime activity in the north Evergreen Point area. Chief conveyed the department assisted and helped close a case with the Immigration and Naturalization Service and is currently assisting Pierce County jurisdictions follow up to a mail theft ring, indicating Pierce County suspects may have victimized Medina residents last year.

Chen announced the department has conducted recruitment fairs and that within two weeks a new lateral officer would join the Medina Police Department from another agency. He stated new enhanced equipment is on board the mobile coach which was supplied by completed grants and the Bellevue Police Department recently used the coach as a command post during a crime event. Chen said the department participated in a communications academy for emergency preparedness and Medina's vehicle was a highlight of the academy and the agency will participate in a regional earthquake exercise next month.

Chen answered council inquiries regarding security cameras and indicated a follow up report would be provided next month. Chief answered questions regarding locking mailboxes and indicated a number of residents have transitioned towards them. Rudolph summarized an identity theft bill currently before the Governor.

Development Services (7:46 pm)

Gellings initiated council discussion by summarizing the staff default plan of action for ordinance 800 would be to consider that projects in limbo since ordinance implementation would not be vested in the ability for an extension. Following the discussion there was unanimous council consent to allow projects originally approved under previous regulations to be eligible for extensions. Tanaka indicated an ordinance would need to come forward for a public hearing and final council approval.

Gellings answered council inquiries pertaining to parking issues at Medina Elementary School and confirmed current student enrollment exceeds maximum enrollment dictated by the special use permit due to reassignment of students from Clyde Hill Elementary

School. Tanaka suggested that prior to taking enforcement action the City should be in a position to be able to show how it tried to work to resolve the issue.

Lawrence expressed concern for the location of the Medina Store trash enclosure on Evergreen Point Road and suggested council consider moving it back 15 feet from the sidewalk at the City's expense. Following discussion, Tanaka expressed possible solutions.

MOTION LAWRENCE AND SECOND RUDOLPH TO AUTHORIZE RELOCATION OF MEDINA STORE TRASH ENCLOSURE AND AN EXPENDITURE UP TO \$1500 FOR RELOCATION COSTS SUBJECT TO COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL. MOTION CARRIED 5-0 AT 8:08 PM.

Adam asked that council opinions be submitted via email to the city manager within the next 24 hours regarding trash enclosure placement. Tanaka conveyed city manager would determine final placement.

Public Works (8:08 pm)

Willis summarized report and project statuses included in the meeting packet. Willis answered council inquiries regarding the 78th Street traffic studies and discussion continued.

Weinberg conveyed he would look into the option of contracting with an expeditor to move Medina Beach Park permits through the approval process and will report back to Council. Adam conveyed the budget would allow for such a consultant.

City Manager (8:32 pm)

Weinberg summarized his accomplishments over his first 30 days on the job and those he looks forward to taking on during his administration.

PUBLIC HEARING

Upland Road Street Vacation (8:36 pm)

Tanaka explained he had spoken with the appraiser the City hired to conduct the appraisal of the right of way to be vacated. He indicated he was informed the appraisal report should be available within one week, which should allow sufficient time for the parties to review the report. He stated he was confident the hearing could be continued on May 14th.

MOTION BLAZEY AND SECOND BIGLOW TO CONTINUE PUBLIC HEARING TO MAY 14, 2007. MOTION CARRIED 5-0 AT 8:37 PM.

OTHER BUSINESS

Resolution Amending 2007 Fee Schedule for Administrative Appeals and Hazardous Tree Evaluations by City Arborist (8:38 pm)

Gellings explained the need for a fee to be set for city arborist and the idea behind revising the hearing examiner fees. Council discussion followed and Gellings answered council inquiries. Council deliberated existing hearing examiner appeal fee and proposal to reduce fee if third party prevails.

MOTION LAWRENCE AND SECOND RUDOLPH TO HAVE A NEW FEE OF \$250 PER TREE FOR HAZARDOUS TREE EVALUATIONS BY CITY ARBORIST. MOTION CARRIED 5-0 AT 9:16 PM.

Consideration of Traffic Mitigation Modification to Mitigate Traffic Impacts Caused by Nonresidential Uses (9:16 pm)

Gellings defined agenda item and recommended calling out off site traffic generation as a consideration of special use permit in code.

Rudolph suggested replacing the word "may" with "shall" on page two where appropriate and Adam suggested using "qualified professional traffic engineer" in place of "qualified engineer". Tanaka suggested "off site traffic impacts" in place of "off site traffic generation". Mayor recommended item be scheduled for a public hearing.

Agenda Calendar (9:28 pm)

Council discussed agenda calendar.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION RUDOLPH AND SECOND BLAZEY TO ADJOURN THE APRIL 9, 2007 CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING. MOTION CARRIED 5-0 AT 9:33 PM.

The April 9, 2007, Regular Meeting of the Medina City Council adjourned at 9:33 pm.

The next Regular Meeting of the Medina City Council will be held Monday, May 14, 2007 at 7:00 pm.



Miles R. Adam, Mayor

Attest:


Rachel Baker, City Clerk