



City Council Minutes

Workshop
Tuesday, January 19, 2016
6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Kave called the regularly-scheduled meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members Katie Garberding, Kerry Garberding, Kave, Oliveira, Storaasli, Walker, Mayor Guier

Absent Council Member Steiger

STAFF PRESENT

City Administrator Richard Gould; Court Administrator Kelly Rydberg, Public Works Manager Lance Newkirk, Community Development Manager Jack Dodge, and City Clerk Amy Stevenson-Ness.

ADDITIONS TO/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council Member Garberding wished City Administrator Richard Gould a happy birthday.

The agenda was approved unanimously by Council.

PUBLIC HEARING - Regarding the formation of a Transportation Benefit District in the City of Pacific.

Council President Kave opened the public hearing at 6:37 p.m.

Mr. Newkirk provided information to Council for a Transportation Benefit District (TBD) and how a TBD operates. He also advised how the City of Pacific would use the funds collected by the TBD including .

Speaking before Council:

William Broderson, 119 Glacier Ave E	No public vote; property tax where citizens can vote is the way to go
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Howard Erickson	.02 % sales tax; levy lid lift
Gary Nitschke, 102 Butte Avenue	Willing to pay more if it means better streets
Kate Hull, 102 Alder Lane	Something citizens are interested in. Can't pick just one, must pick 2 or all 3 options once TBD formed; \$105K won't help; to really improve streets, need to pick all 3.

Council President Kave closed the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.

COUNCIL APPLICANT INTERVIEWS

Council President Kave had the applicants provide a brief introduction and Council posed questions to the candidates.

Council Member Katie Garberding stated Council Member Walker will not be allowed to participate in appointment process per MRSC because an outgoing council member is not allowed to participate in appointing his replacement.

Ms. Maria Abrejera introduced herself and provided information to Council on her background. She stated she wants to be involved and take part in the City of Pacific.

Mr. Howard Erickson provided information on his history in Pacific and his experience and capability to be an effective council member.

Mr. Stacey Jackson stated the City needs a voice that will go out and talk to people. He is eager to be part of the City Council.

Mr. Justin Newlun introduced himself and explained his involvement in the City of Pacific.

Ms. Angela Zold reviewed her professional experience and expressed that she would like to be a part of the community she lives in and to represent citizens in a fair manner.

Council President Kave thanked the candidates that participated in the interview process and announced that the appointment for the position will take place on Monday, January 25.

At 8:18, Council President Kave recessed the meeting for five minutes. At 8:26, he reconvened the meeting.

AGENDA ITEMS

A. AB 16-007: Resolution No. 2016-309: Authorizing the execution of a Release and Covenant Not to Sue with Robinson Noble, Inc.

Mr. Newkirk stated he's speaking on behalf of the City attorney. This item is related to a sales tax dispute with Robinson Noble, Inc. The better course of action was to settle rather than proceed to litigation. The city will pay the sales tax and Robinson Noble agrees not to sue the City of Pacific over this issue.

On Council consensus the item was moved forward to the meeting on January 25, 2016.

B. AB 16-008: Resolution No. 2016-310: Authorizing the execution of an amendment to the agreement with Carol Morris of Morris Law, P.C.

8:32 Mayor Guier stated the original contract contains a provision that the City would not pay for travel time for the attorney to attend city meetings, court, etc. Ms. Morris is amending her contract to be able to bill for travel time.

On Council consensus, the item was set over to the February 1 workshop for further discussion.

C. AB 16-009: Resolution No. 2016-311: Authorizing the execution of an Agreement with Pathways Community Corrections for probation services.

Ms. Rydberg stated they offer probation services clients pay for themselves as well as electronic home monitoring and alcohol monitoring.

On Council consensus the item was moved forward to the meeting on January 25, 2016.

D. AB 16-010: DISCUSSION: Proposed revisions to Pacific Municipal Code Chapter 20.70, Landscaping.

Mr. Dodge stated that the landscaping codes are pretty unclear and in some cases contradictory. The proposed code revisions will be more "user friendly" and easier to interpret and apply. He then reviewed the proposed changes including:

1. 20.70.030 Authority and Application

- Revised to provide the circumstances where the landscape codes would apply.

2. New Section 20.70.042 Landscape and Irrigation Plan Requirements

- This is a new section outlining the requirements for the submittal of a Landscape Plan or Irrigation Plan. This section is required under the Growth Management Act (GMA).

3. Format of Chapter 20.70 – Landscape Regulations by District

- Chapter 20.70 has be reformatted to list the regulations by Zoning District in the first part of the Chapter rather the later portion (Section 20.70.055 vs. 20.70.110). This provides a better flow (ease of use) to the regulations for the public and staff when determining the regulations by zoning district.

- This section is revised to specify the widths of landscape strips for the land uses within each zoning district.
- A new Table 20.70.055a is added to specify the landscape strip widths in each zoning district. The table is added to provide a quick reference for the requirements by zoning district.

4. 20.70.060 General Landscaping Requirements

- Expands the general requirements for landscaping.
- Sets the minimum size of trees (deciduous and evergreens/conifers) at the time of planting.
- Sets the minimum size of shrubs at the time of planting.
- Lists the type of vegetation that does not qualify as a “tree”.

5. 20.70.070 Types of Landscaping

- A new “Type V” landscaping description is added which will apply to small-scale building development.

6. New section 20.70.075 Landscaping of Building Facades is added

- In the Multifamily, Office Park, Light Industrial, and Heavy Industrial zones, building façade landscaping would be required.

7. 20.70.130 Restoration of significant trees

- This section is revised to specify the mitigation necessary when a significant tree that is required to be saved is removed.

8. New Section 20.70.135 Approved Street Tree List

- A matrix of approved street trees is provided. Street trees are trees that are installed in the public right-of-way. The street tree list is based on acceptable trees allowed by the cities of Kent and Bellingham. The inclusion of an approved street tree list was suggested by the City Attorney.

9. New Section 20.70.145 Irrigation Requirements

- This is a new section that outlines the irrigation requirements for new landscaping.

10. Section 20.70.160 Bonds/security requirements

- This section is revised to clearly outline the requirements for the posting of a “Landscape Performance Bond” prior to the issuance of permits or occupancy.

11. New Section 20.70.170 Deferral of landscape improvements

- Provides criteria where the installation of landscaping may be deferred based on drought conditions.

Ancillary Code Revisions

1. New Definitions, Sub-Sections 20.04.602 and 20.04.622 for “Small Scale Building Façade Landscaping” and “Street Frontage Landscaping”
 - These definitions have been added to clarify requirements of the Landscape Codes.
2. Minor Revisions to Sections 20.51.090, 20.52.090, and 20.60.100
 - These sections have been revised to refer back to Chapter 20.70 Landscaping

On Council consensus the item was moved forward to the meeting on January 25, 2016.

E. AB 15-172: Resolution No. 2015-308: Authorizing the execution of an agreement with RH2 Engineering, Inc. for water system hydraulic modeling.

Mr. Newkirk stated this item has been before council previously. This is to allow the company to perform hydraulic modeling for the water system update.

On Council consensus the item was moved forward to the meeting on January 25, 2016.

F. AB 16-011: Resolution No. 2015-312: Setting Monday, February 1, 2016 at approximately 6:30 p.m. as the date and time for a Public Hearing to receive public testimony regarding alteration of the speed limit on West Valley Highway.

Mr. Newkirk stated

On Council consensus the item was moved forward to the meeting on January 25, 2016.

G. AB 16-012: Ordinance No. 2016-1924: Altering the speed limit on West Valley Highway from 25 MPH to 35 MPH in accordance with the recommendations and findings of Transpo Group’s engineering and traffic investigation.

On Council consensus the item was moved forward to the meeting on February 1, 2016.

H. AB 16-013: Resolution 2016-313: Authorizing the Mayor to sign a release of easement for Sanitary Sewer Mains and Appurtenances granted to the City located at 1565 Valentine Avenue SE.

I. Resolution No. 2016-314: Authorizing the Mayor to execute and accept a water and sanitary sewer utilities easement for sanitary sewer mains, water mains, and appurtenances granted to the City from Night Train, LLC on property located at 1565 Valentine Avenue SE.

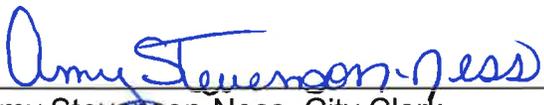
Mr. Newkirk stated there are two components: Resolution 2016-313 extinguishes the current easement because property is under development. A new easement needs to be established due to development.

On Council consensus these items were moved forward to the meeting on January 25, 2016.

Mr. Newkirk acknowledged his time at the city. He appreciated the trust given to him. He truly enjoyed his time in Pacific and working with staff.

ADJOURN

Council President Kave adjourned the workshop at 9:11 p.m.



Amy Stevenson-Ness, City Clerk