# MEDINA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Medina City Hall Council Chambers December 10, 2007; 7:00 pm

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Miles Adam called the December 10, 2007, Medina City Council Meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

## **ROLL CALL**

Council Members Present: Miles Adam, Lucius Biglow, Drew Blazey, Jim Lawrence,

Katie Phelps, and Robert Rudolph, Pete Vall-Spinosa

City Staff Present:

Mark Weinberg, City Manager; Wayne Tanaka, City

Attorney, Ogden Murphy Wallace; Jeff Chen, Chief of Police; Joe Willis, Director of Public Works; Steve Wilcox, Building Official/Acting Director of Development Services; and Rachel

Baker, City Clerk

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION VALL-SPINOSA AND SECOND LAWRENCE TO ADD THIRD EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM TO DISCUSS THE PERFORMANCE OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE, PURSUANT TO RCW 42.30.110(1)(G). MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1 (RUDOLPH ABSTAINED) AT 7:08 PM.

MOTION VALL-SPINOSA AND SECOND BIGLOW TO MOVE ITEM CI-1 (2008 CITY MANAGER COMPENSATION REVIEW) TO FOLLOW EXECUTIVE SESSION. MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1 (RUDOLPH ABSTAINED) AT 7:09 PM.

Agenda was approved as amended.

# **AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor recognized and thanked outgoing Council Members Phelps and Vall-Spinosa for their four years of service to the City of Medina and to its citizens. Mayor Adam presented both Phelps and Vall-Spinosa plaques in honor of their service.

Weinberg presented outgoing Mayor Adam two plaques in honor of his service as both Council Member and Mayor and summarized the highlights of Adam's tenure.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor opened floor to public comment at 7:24 pm.

Resident Wilma Edmonds stated the hearing examiner could have granted what the City Council granted for the St. Thomas variances and expressed that a misunderstanding exists that such cases are better off with the City Council rather than with the hearing examiner. Mrs. Edmonds inquired if the concern raised at the November 13<sup>th</sup> meeting regarding a \$260,000 discrepancy in the budget had been resolved.

Resident Henry Paulman stated that in July he filed a complaint against the Police Chief regarding the Clearwire cell tower and in September followed up with an amendment which established the antenna as commercial. He said in October Clearwire sent a letter to the City which was followed up by the City Manager in his report. Mr. Paulman iterated that in November the State Department of Ecology emailed the City asking it to review the situation and to permit it. He then said that an electrical inspection was never performed and the tower draws electricity from City Hall. He requested these matters and other open matters concerning the Chief be resolved.

Resident Heija Nunn referred to the State Auditor as mentioned in the City Manager's report and said she was struck by the coincidence of running into Henry Paulman and another citizen at the State Auditor's Office. She thanked City Council Members for their many years of service, endless amounts of time, and the slings and arrows suffered. She ended saying she was happy so many people volunteer in the City.

Mayor closed participation period at 7:30 pm.

### **REMARKS AND ANNOUNCMENTS**

Phelps pointed out the annual giving tree was erected in City Hall and this year underprivileged teenagers within the Bellevue School District would benefit from donations.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

MOTION VALL-SPINOSA AND SECOND BLAZEY TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS AND MOTION CARRIED 7-0 AT 7:35 PM.

- 1. Approval of November 13, 2007 City Council Minutes
- 2. Approval of November 26, 2007 City Council Minutes
- 3. Approval of November 2007 Checks/Finance Officer's Report
- 4. Report on Watercraft Noise
- 5. Small Works Roster
- 6. 2007 Budget Amendment

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

City Manager's Monthly Activity Report (7:36 pm)

- A. Police Department
- B. Development Services
- C. Public Works
- D. City Manager

Council discussed pre-disaster mitigation FEMA grant fund availability and a council majority recommended City Manager complete grant application and bring a bid packet back to Council in order to be poised to move on contract while awaiting notification from FEMA.

Weinberg summarized remainder of report and along with Tanaka answered inquiries regarding Clearwire cell tower. Chen answered Council inquiries pertaining to report and patrolling traffic at Hunt's Point entrance to SR-520.

Reports were received and filed.

Agenda Calendar (8:11 pm)

Council direction was to include teleconferencing discussion and to carry over December's Executive Session items to the January 14<sup>th</sup> agenda.

Mayor recessed for a break at 8:16 pm and the meeting was called back to order at 8:21 pm.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Council recessed into Executive Session at 8:21 pm to:

- 1. To discuss pending litigation and potential litigation, including but not limited to discussion of legal risks of a proposed action, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)
- 2. To review negotiations on the performance of publicly bid contracts, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(d).
- 3. To review the performance of a public employee, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g).

City Council Members Adam, Biglow, Blazey, Lawrence, Phelps, Rudolph, and Vall-Spinosa; City Manager; City Attorney; and City Clerk were present. Executive Session adjourned and the Regular Meeting was called back into session at 9:32 pm.

#### **COUNCIL INITIATIVES**

2008 City Manager Compensation Review (9:32 pm)

MOTION LAWRENCE AND SECOND ADAM TO SET CITY MANAGER SALARY FOR 2008 AT \$115,500 ANNUALLY, AN INCREASE OF \$7,500 PER YEAR FROM 2007 SALARY. MOTION CARRIED 7-0 AT 9:33 PM.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Proposed Amendment to Police Contract Services with the Town of Hunts Point (9:33 pm)

MOTION LAWRENCE AND SECOND ADAM TO AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT WITH HUNT'S POINT. MOTION CARRIED 7-0 AT 9:33 PM.

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# **ADJOURNMENT**

THE DECEMBER 10, 2007 CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED BY COMMON CONSENT AT 9:34 PM.

The December 10, 2007, Regular Meeting of the Medina City Council adjourned at 9:34 pm.

The next Regular Meeting of the Medina City Council will be held Monday, January 14, 2008 at 7:00 pm.

Miles R. Adam, Mayor

Attest:

Rachel Baker, City Clerk