

**MEDINA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**
*Medina City Hall Council Chambers
November 26, 2007; 6:15 pm*

CALL TO ORDER

Miles Adam called the November 26, 2007, Medina City Council Meeting to order at 6:15 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; and Rachel Baker, City Clerk

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council recessed into Executive Session at 6:15 pm to:

1. To review the performance of a public employee, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)
2. 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)
3. To review negotiations on the performance of publicly bid contracts pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(d).

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 7:15 pm. No action was taken.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda approved by Council consent.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor opened floor to public comment at 7:21 pm.

Resident Henry Paulman reported he received communication from Sprint declaring an interest in participating with the City's program to bring cameras to the community. Mr. Paulman conveyed he has received verbal commitments from three other companies that would like to bid on the same project.

Arthur Dietrich shared a personal experience that occurred years ago explaining how the current noise ordinance enforced blower noise which exceeded noise limits. He

questioned whether a new ordinance would be necessary when the current ordinance seems to work fine.

Wilma Edmonds recommended Council discontinue phone-in calls to City Council and Planning Commission meetings and suggested the Council adopt a new Council procedure. She stated she surveyed twelve corporations and cities and learned that none allow the practice.

Mayor closed participation period at 7:26 pm.

REMARKS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor announced:

1. The Regional Transportation Investment District (RTID) and Sound Transit were only a partnership for the election due to a legislation rule for the November ballot. He said Sound Transit will be on the 2008 ballot with a Sound Transit tax only, and RTID has not made a decision yet for its proposal.
2. King County mayors met two weeks ago and learned no city took advantage of the recent window to raise taxes more than one-percent. He added that the Points communities will be meeting with legislators next week to discuss the one-percent limit on property taxes.
3. Clyde Hill did not take the one-percent increase since its reserves are so strong and city officials felt they should not take the tax increase.

City Manager announced:

1. The beach project should be completed in a week or two, only punch list items remain to be finished.
2. He authorized the installation of wireless internet connectivity to City Hall which would be accessible from City Hall and the Beach Park.

Council questioned delivery of Council e-mail messages submitted via the City website and green sticks protruding from the bulkhead at the Beach Park. City Manager conveyed he would look into matters.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION BLAZEY AND SECOND RUDOLPH TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS AND MOTION CARRIED 7-0 AT 7:33 PM.

1. Professional Services Contract: Hearing Examiner
2. 2007 Medina Election Results

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Special Use Permit Ordinance Revision (7:34 pm)

Lawrence summarized proposal. Adam opened hearing for public comment at 7:35 pm; no comments were presented and the hearing was subsequently closed. Council comments followed.

MOTION LAWRENCE AND SECOND VALL-SPINOSA TO ADOPT ORDINANCE RELATING TO HEARING EXAMINER AUTHORITY FOR SPECIAL USE PERMITS FOR SCHOOLS; AMENDING CHAPTER 17.56 OF THE MEDINA MUNICIPAL CODE; AND MOTION CARRIED 5-2 (PHELPS AND RUDOLPH OPPOSED) AT 7:43 PM.

OTHER BUSINESS

Council Initiative by Council Member Blazey to Consider Regulating Noise Nuisances (7:43 pm)

Blazey introduced initiative and City Council discussion followed. Council discussion produced suggestion to focus on morning start time and to review King County's noise ordinance. There was consent to bring back item for further discussion when revised.

NEW BUSINESS

Giving Tree (8:05 pm)

Phelps described annual holiday giving tree and requested sandwich board placement at the five-corners intersection for one to two weeks to generate participation. There was no opposition from the Council.

Access to SR-520 (8:07 pm)

Rudolph raised concerns regarding access to State Route 520 from 84th Avenue Northeast and Northeast 24th Street. He indicated it had recently taken him forty-five minutes to travel to the traffic light. He suggested something needs to be done to enforce single-occupancy vehicles that bypass the delay and access State Route 520 from Hunts Point.

OTHER BUSINESS

Agenda Calendar (8:12 pm)

December agenda discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

THE NOVEMBER 26, 2007 CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED BY COUNCIL
CONSENSUS AT 8:14 PM.

The November 26, 2007, Regular Meeting of the Medina City Council adjourned at 8:14 pm.

The next Regular Meeting of the Medina City Council will be held Monday,
December 10, 2007 at 7:00 pm.



Miles R. Adam, Mayor

Attest:



Rachel Baker, City Clerk