

SPECIAL POULSBO CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 22, 2012

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor Erickson, Berry-Maraist, Henry, Lord, McGinty, Musgrove, Nystul, Stern.

Staff: Berezowsky, Booher, Diehl, Stephens, Treacher, Weaver.

MAJOR BUSINESS ITEMS

* * * Lease Agreement for Use of 780 Iverson – Coffee Oasis

* * * Workshop: Shoreline Master Plan Update (Continued)

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Erickson called the meeting to order in the Council Chambers at 7:00 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

a. Ardis Morrow complimented the City on the public use of the new building.

b. Dave Fisher, Associate Pastor of Gateway Fellowship, expressed his support for Coffee Oasis.

3. MAYORS REPORT AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

a. Councilmember Berry-Maraist applauded the Lions Club on their spaghetti dinner fundraiser for NK School District Foundation.

b. Mayor Erickson reported Fishline is in short supply of boxed meals and peanut butter.

c. Mayor Erickson reassured the citizens, with the recent acts of violence which have taken place, that the police force is active, well staffed, and well funded. She announced a community meeting will be setup in the next couple weeks which will allow the community to meet with the police department regarding community safety.

d. Councilmember Stern urged citizens to support Telework Week, March 5-9.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

None.

5. BUSINESS AGENDA

a. Lease Agreement for Use of 780 Iverson – Coffee Oasis

Motion: Move to authorize the Mayor to enter into a lease agreement with Hope in Christ Ministries for property located at 780 NE Iverson Street for the purpose of operating Coffee Oasis and its programs for homeless and at risk youth. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Stern, **Seconded by** Berry-Maraist.

Vote: Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 6, No = 0, Abstain = 1).

Yes: Berry-Maraist, Henry, Lord, McGinty, Nystul, Stern.

Abstain: Musgrove.

b. Draft Shoreline Master Program (SMP)

Mayor Erickson introduced Port of Poulsbo Commissioners Jim Rutledge, Tony DeCarlo, and Arnie Bockus and invited them to be seated at the Council table.

Port Commissioners comments included:

- concern with the SMP being too restrictive and not accommodating;
- future expansion of Port facilities and infrastructure;
- permitted versus conditional uses;
- rebuilding and expanding a non-conforming use;
- cooperation between the Port and city in developing the SMP;
- the balance being off between economic growth and environmental impact since the SMP seems to weigh heavily on the environmental impact aspect;
- the development of the downtown core, balancing the three competing uses: encouraging water dependent use, and promote public access;
- creating a sub-classification of the aquatic zone (ex: urban aquatic and residential aquatic);
- a preferred use having to obtain a conditional use permit instead of a substantial development permit;
- the difference between a substantial development permit and a conditional use permit;
- in the shoreline use table: public boat launch, day use dock in an aquatic area are listed as conditional use, but under high intensity they are listed as permitted;
- importance of the regulations being clear and concise to make the permitting process efficient.

Planning Director Berezowsky addressed the following concerns:

- The City's and Ports goals of maintaining and enhancing the downtown waterfront are the same;
- SMP regulations contain both local policies and state laws; the laws cannot be changed and the policies the city has discretion over;
- There have been misconceptions and miscommunications;
- The Port is a preferred use, but not exempt from permits and regulations;
- In shoreline jurisdictions there are also zoning regulations which all entities must adhere to;
- Exemptions for maintenance dredging;
- Rebuilding a non-conforming uses;
- Interrupted buffers and changing the current buffers in the downtown core;
- The SMP not prohibiting the improvement of the waterfront;
- Conditional uses are permitted and the process is the same as any other permit process, they just have a higher level of review;
- Permitted uses still need to go through the permit process; the Port is not being held to any different standards than what they currently have been since the 1970s.

Council comments included:

- The City is lucky to have the waterfront park and they support the Ports role in the downtown corridor;
- Scheduling a joint meeting with the Department of Ecology;
- Creating a more flexible plan to allow non-water oriented commercial use in the downtown core;
- Would playground expansions be allowed in the new SMP since many of the city parks are located in the buffer zone;
- The ability to rebuild non-conforming uses regardless of the amount of destruction.

6. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Deferred to next regular council meeting.

7. DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS

None.

8. CONTINUED COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

- a. Dan Baskins expressed concern about the council getting further away from docketing changes to the Shoreline Master Plan with all the changes continuously being made.

Baskins believes the City should get rid of Waterfront Park since it is on consolidated fill and the park would liquefy in an earthquake. Baskins feels applying fresh water buffers to salt water conditions is not good science and would do more damage to what we are trying to protect.

- b. Bill Austin stated he would like to see Anderson Parkway disappear and more park space in the downtown area. Austin feels this could be done by extending the green belt, from the water to the back of the buildings, creating limited parking spaces and placing a parking garage on the old city hall site.

9. COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS/BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS

- b. Commissioner Decarlo stated, the Shoreline Mater Plan document is poorly laid out and it includes too many references from one section to another within each section.

- c. Commissioner Bockus stated he is not against a green area in downtown and feels a majority of the City's most valuable land is being used as parking lots.

- d. Councilmember Berry-Maraist inquired about the 6th Avenue meeting scheduled for next week. Mayor Erickson stated information on the meeting will be posted on the City's website.

- e. Councilmember Stern stated he was pleased with the approval of the agreement for Coffee Oasis.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Move to adjourn at 9:03PM. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Stern, **Seconded by** McGinty.

Motion passed unanimously.

Rebecca Erickson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Nicole Stephens, Deputy City Clerk, CMC

