

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR HYBRID MEETING FEBRUARY 21, 2023

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor Salim Nice called the regular meeting to order at 5:00 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 9611 SE 36th Street, Mercer Island, Washington.

Mayor Salim Nice, Deputy Mayor David Rosenbaum and Councilmember Jake Jacobson participated in person in the Council Chambers. Councilmembers Lisa Anderl, Craig Reynolds, Wendy Weiker, and Ted Weinberg joined via Zoom.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The City Council delivered the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL

It was moved by Jacobson; seconded by Weinberg to: **Approve the agenda.** PASSED: 7-0 FOR: 7 (Anderl, Jacobson, Nice, Reynolds, Rosenbaum, Weiker, and Weinberg)

SPECIAL BUSNIESS

AB 6227: Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance No. 23C-02 (renews Ordinance No. 22C-14) on Interim Regulations in MICC 19.16.010 Related to Emergency Shelters and Housing, Transitional Housing, and Permanent Supportive Housing in Response to E2SHB 1220

CPD Director Jeff Thomas introduced the draft Ordinance No. 23C-02, explained the timeline for these proposed interim regulations, and discussed the next steps.

Mayor Nice opened the Public Hearing at 5:04 pm.

There being no public comment Mayor Nice closed the Public Hearing at 5:04 pm.

It was moved by Jacobson; seconded by Rosenbaum to: Set Ordinance No. 23C-02 for second reading and adoption at an upcoming City Council Meeting. PASSED: 7-0 FOR: 7 (Anderl, Jacobson, Nice, Reynolds, Rosenbaum, Weiker, and Weinberg)

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Chief of Administration Ali Spietz reported on the following items:

- **Council, Boards & Commission Meetings Updates:** Upcoming City Council Hybrid Meeting on March 7. Upcoming Boards & Commission Hybrid Meetings Planning Commission Hybrid Meeting on February 22 and Parks & Recreation Commission Hybrid Meeting on March 2. Hybrid Prospective Council Candidate Workshop on March 30.
- **City Services Updates:** Calling all MI artists to enter into a competition to design Summer Celebration 2023 shirts, update on the turf blanket pilot project, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training begins on May 1, Mercer Island delegation to Olympia last week for AWC Action Days to meet with state legislators.

- **Upcoming Events:** Island Lanterns installation day on February 25, Leap for Green Earth Day Fair returns on April 22.
- **News:** MIYFS Foundation Breakfast thank you to all the community members who turned out for this event, MIHS Students head to Sister City Thonon les Bains.

APPEARANCES

Curtis Shugarts, Mercer Island, spoke about organic fertilizer.

CONSENT AGENDA

AB 6228: February 10, 2023 Payroll Certification

Recommended Action: Approve the February 10, 2023 Payroll Certification (Exhibit 1) in the amount of \$937,586.02 and authorize the Mayor to sign the certification on behalf of the entire City Council.

Certification of Claims:

A. Check Register | 214733-214823 | 2/3/2023 | \$1,096,469.16

B. EFT Payments | January 2023 | \$3,225,016.93

Recommended Action: Certify that the City Council has reviewed the documentation supporting claims paid and approved all checks or warrants issued in payment of claims.

City Council Meeting Minutes of February 7, 2023 Regular Hybrid Meeting.

Recommended Action: Approve the minutes of the February 7, 2023 Regular Hybrid Meeting.

AB 6222: Rare Disease Day Proclamation No. 301.

Recommended Action: Proclaim February 28, 2023 Rare Disease Day in Mercer Island.

AB 6226: Interlocal Agreement for Jail Services with King County.

Recommended Action: Authorize the City Manager to sign the updated Interagency Agreement for Inmate Housing between the City of Mercer Island and King County, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit 1 to this agenda bill.

It was moved by Reynolds; seconded by Weinberg to: **Approve the Consent Agenda and the recommended actions contained therein.** PASSED: 7-0 FOR: 7 (Anderl, Jacobson, Nice, Reynolds, Rosenbaum, Weiker, and Weinberg)

REGULAR BUSINESS

AB 6210: Comprehensive Plan Status Report and Acceptance of GMA Update Grant

CPD Director Jeff Thomas and Deputy CPD Director Alison Van Gorp presented updates on the status of the periodic update to the Comprehensive Plan. Deputy Director Van Gorp presented the work that has been done on the Housing Element, the Economic Development Element, and the creation of Parks Zone to be included in the Comp Plan. She also spoke about the reviews that have been completed by the Planning Commission. Deputy Director Van Gorp discussed the GMA Periodic Update Grant that is a state-funded grant program to support local jurisdictions with periodic updates to Comprehensive Plans.

It was moved by Weinberg; seconded by Rosenbaum to:

Accept the GMA Periodic Update Grant of \$125,000 from the Department of Commerce, authorize the City Manager to execute the grant agreements, and appropriate these funds to the

Comprehensive Plan periodic update in the 2023-2024 biennial budget. PASSED: 6-0 FOR: 6 (Anderl, Jacobson, Nice, Reynolds, Rosenbaum, and Weinberg) ABSENT: 1 (Weiker)

AB 6230: City Council Rules of Procedure Amendments (Resolution No. 1642)

Chief of Administration Ali Spietz presented the amendments to the City Council Rules of Procedure.

It was moved by Rosenbaum; seconded by Jacobson to: **Approve Resolution No. 1642 amending the City Council Rules of Procedure as set forth in Exhibit A.** PASSED: 6-0 FOR: 6 (Anderl, Jacobson, Nice, Reynolds, Rosenbaum, and Weinberg) ABSENT: 1 (Weiker)

OTHER BUSINESS

Planning Schedule

Chief of Administration Ali Spietz spoke about the March 7 and March 21 City Council meetings.

Councilmember Absences and Reports

Councilmember Reynolds – Parks & Recreation Commission is meeting on March 2 will be looking at Aubrey Davis Trail safety design.

Councilmember Weinberg – Thank you to Sister City members chaperoning the delegation to Thonon les Bains.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 5:36 pm, Mayor Nice convened an Executive Session in the Caucus Room at City Hall, 9611 SE 36th Street, Mercer Island, WA and via Microsoft Teams. The Executive Session was to discuss with legal counsel pending or potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(I) and for planning or adopting the strategy or position to be taken by the City Council during the course of any collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings, or reviewing the proposals made in the negotiations or proceedings while in progress pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b).

Mayor Salim Nice, Deputy Mayor David Rosenbaum, and Councilmembers Jake Jacobson participated in person in the Caucus Room at City Hall. Councilmembers Lisa Anderl, Craig Reynolds, Wendy Weiker, and Ted Weinberg joined via Microsoft Teams.

Mayor Nice adjourned the Executive Session at 6:16 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Attest:

The Regular Hybrid Council Meeting adjourned at 6:16 pm.

Salim Nice, Mayor

Andrea Larson, City Clerk