

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 11, 2009

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Norris at 7:08 p.m.

Present: Mayor Norris, Councilmembers Cheney, Combs, Lindquist, McMullen, Ragan and Urban

Absent: Councilmember Fiedler

Staff Present: City Attorney Rogerson, Police Chief Bergsma, Fire Chief Hari, Public Works Director Bell, Engineering Services Manager Chesterfield, Community and Economic Development Director Hanson, Senior Planner Higgins, Special Projects Administrator Stendal

Citizens Present: Twenty

The meeting was convened into executive session at 7:12 p.m. and estimated to last 15 minutes.

- Executive Session – Real Estate Acquisition:

The meeting was reconvened into regular session at 7:25 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Approval of January 7 and 21, 2009 Study Session Minutes and January 28, 2009 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.

Councilmember Cheney moved to approve the minutes as stated above. Motion seconded by Councilmember McMullen. Motion carried 6-0.

- B. Approval of February 11, 2009 Claims Numbered 109528 – 109763 in the amount of \$3,249,735.60:

Councilmember Urban moved to approve the claims as stated above. Motion seconded by Councilmember Combs. Motion carried 6-0.

REPORTS:

- A. Committees:

1. Public Works: see Committee agenda and minutes.

- B. Community Comments:

None.

C. Councilmember Comments:

None.

D. Mayor's Report:

- Settlement Agreement with Commercial Cold Storage: Mr. Rogerson recommended approval of a settlement agreement with Commercial Cold Storage for property rights that fall within the flood project area. This agreement will resolve all issues regarding egress, ingress and easements.

Councilmember Cheney moved to authorize the Mayor to accept the settlement agreement in draft form subject to approval by the City Attorney and Mayor. Motion seconded by Councilmember McMullen. Motion carried 6-0.

E. Committee Agenda Requests:

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Mayor's Award for Outstanding Community Volunteer: Mr. Stendal provided an overview of the Mayor's award for outstanding community volunteer. Rita Ordonez created a vegetable garden and initiated cooking classes at Lincoln Elementary School. Approximately thirty (30) students are now involved in the garden club. Mayor Norris presented Rita Ordonez with the outstanding community volunteer award.
- B. Resolution Regarding Downtown Flood Project: Mr. Rogerson explained that Pacific International Engineering has completed the conditional letter of map revision (CLOMR) application materials for submittal to FEMA in relation to the downtown flood control project. This project will take the downtown area out of the 100 year flood zone. This request is to allow the Mayor to submit the application.

Councilmember Cheney moved to adopt Resolution 782 authorizing the Mayor to submit the conditional letter of map revision on the downtown flood project to FEMA. Motion seconded by Councilmember Urban. Motion carried 6-0.

- C. Open Record Public Hearing to Docket the 2009 Requests for Comprehensive Plan Amendments, Rezones and Municipal Code Amendments: Ms. Higgins gave a brief over of the twelve requests for the 2009 docket schedule.

- LU09-005 Dimensional Communications – comprehensive plan amendment and associated rezone.
- LU09-008 Specialized Housing for the Elderly – comprehensive plan amendment with associated amendment to the Mount Vernon Municipal Code.
- LU09-009 White, Anderson Road Property – comprehensive plan amendment and associated rezone.
- LU09-010 Cammock, East Division Street Property – comprehensive plan amendment and associated rezone.
- LU09-004 City of Mount Vernon Shoreline Management Master plan – comprehensive plan amendment.
- LU09-007 City of Mount Vernon Little Mountain Master Plan – comprehensive plan amendment.
- LU09-012 City of Mount Vernon buildable lands analysis update and urban growth area analysis – comprehensive plan amendment.
- LU09-013 City of Mount Vernon Cottage Housing Ordinance – comprehensive plan amendment.
- LU09-016 Sedro-Woolley School District #101 2007 Capital Facilities Plan - comprehensive plan amendment.
- CA09-001 City of Mount Vernon Downtown and Waterfront Master plan – Municipal Code amendments.
- CA09-003 Miscellaneous amendments to the Mount Vernon Municipal Code

Mayor Norris opened the public hearing. Hearing no comments Mayor Norris closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Lindquist moved to adopt Resolution 783 docketing the 2009 land use amendments, zoning changes and code amendments to the comprehensive plan. Motion seconded by Councilmember Ragan. Motion carried 6-0.

- D. Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with Skagit County: Mr. Chesterfield explained that Skagit County agreed to cost share twenty-five percent not to exceed \$25,000 of the total costs incurred by the City of Mount Vernon for the Beaver Slough Study.

Councilmember Lindquist moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an interlocal cooperative agreement with Skagit County as stated above. Motion seconded by Councilmember Urban. Motion carried 6-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Lori J. Kimbriel, Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

Alicia D. Huschka, Finance Director

APPROVE:

Bud Norris, Mayor