

**Mount Vernon
City Council Meeting
Minutes
June 24, 2009**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Norris at 7:00 p.m.

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

Staff Present: Public Works Director Bell, Police Chief Bergsma, Community and Economic Development Director Hanson, Senior Planner Higgins, Finance Director Huschka, Development Review Engineering Manager Oates, City Attorney Rogerson, Special Projects Administrator Stendal.

Citizens Present: 4

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of June 24, 2009 Claims numbered 111494-111497, 111504-111697 in the amount of \$2,267,638.37.

Councilmember Cheney moved to approve the June 24, 2009 Claims numbered 111494-111497, 111504-111697 in the amount of \$2,267,638.37. Motion seconded by Councilmember Combs. Motion carried 7-0.

REPORTS

1. Finance Committee: see Committee agenda and minutes for details.
2. Community Comments: none
3. Councilmember Comments: none
4. Mayor's Report:

- a. Mr. Bell presented a request for Council to approve the results of a recent bid opening for Kulshan Trail improvements. The City has received a \$330,000 federal grant to improve a segment of Kulshan Trail between N. 26th Street and Waugh Road. Seven bids were received on June 23, 2009 for this project with the low bid of \$204,787 provided by Tiger Construction. The engineer's construction estimate for the project is \$240,000.

Councilmember Fiedler moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Tiger Construction Limited for the construction of a trail from N. 26th Street to Waugh Road. Motion seconded by Councilmember Urban. Motion carried 7-0.

- b. Mayor Norris read a letter from a citizen who wrote to compliment the Police Department on their fast response time to a recent incident at his home.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Street Closure Request – Soap Box Derby Rally Race: Mr. Stendal presented a request for Council to authorize the closure of a portion of North 4th, 2nd, Lawrence, Fulton, Montgomery, Gates and Myrtle Streets starting at 6:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 19, 2009 and continuing until 9:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 20, 2009 for the Soap Box Derby Rally Race.

Councilmember Lindquist moved to close certain streets as outlined above for the Soap Box Derby Rally Race. Motion seconded by Councilmember Ragan. Motion carried 7-0.

- B. Closed Record Public Hearing – Nordic Landing, Division 2 Preliminary Plat LU08-056: Ms. Higgins presented information regarding a proposed 30 lot preliminary plat. The site is located south of Martin Road and Centennial School and east of the extension of North 30th Street. The 8.08 acre site has a Comprehensive Plan designation of Medium Density Single-Family Residential (SF-MED) and is zoned Single Family Residential (R-1, 4.0). The property is owned by the Mount Vernon School District.

Mayor Norris opened the closed record public hearing:

There being no comment Mayor Norris closed the public record hearing.

Councilmember Urban moved to approve Resolution 791 approving Nordic Landing, Division 2 Preliminary Plat LU08-056. Motion seconded by Councilmember McMullen. Motion carried 7-0.

- C. Professional Services Contract: Ms. Hanson presented a request for Council to authorize the Mayor to enter into a professional services contract with HKP Architects to develop design guidelines to be used by property owners and business owners in the Main Street area of the downtown Central Business District. These guidelines will incorporate elements of the Main Street program.

Councilmember Ragan moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with HKP Architects for professional services. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lindquist. Motion carried 7-0.

The meeting was convened to executive session at 7:30 p.m. The estimated length is 30 minutes.

- D. Executive session to discuss labor negotiations.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Rebecca J. Wade, Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

Alicia D. Huschka, Finance Director

APPROVE:

Bud Norris, Mayor