



Minutes of the Arlington City Council Workshop

Council Chambers
110 East Third Street
July 8, 2019

Councilmembers Present: Mike Hopson, Marilyn Oertle, Debora Nelson, Josh Roundy, Jessica Stickles and Sue Weiss.

Council Members Absent: Jan Schuette, excused.

Staff Present: Mayor Barb Tolbert, Paul Ellis, James Trefry, Kristin Banfield, Sheri Amundson, Jim Kelly, City Attorney Steve Peiffle, and Wendy Van Der Meersche.

Also Known to be Present: Don Vanney and family, Michele Blythe, Lindsay Dunn, Avery Hufford, and Holly Sloan-Buchanan.

Mayor Barb Tolbert called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, and the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call followed.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Marilyn Oertle moved to approve the agenda as presented. Councilmember Debora Nelson seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS AND PRESENTATIONS

None.

PROCLAMATIONS

None.

WORKSHOP ITEMS - NO ACTION WAS TAKEN

Resolution Declaring Utility Property (Vehicles) as Surplus

Public Works Director Jim Kelly spoke of a resolution declaring a water utility vehicle and a wastewater utility vehicle as surplus.

State law requires that a public hearing be held prior to the surplus of "land, property, or equipment originally acquired for public utility purposes" (RCW 35.94.040). At the July 15, 2019 Council meeting a public hearing will be held to solicit public discussion and input regarding the proposed action of declaring the vehicles as surplus. Discussion followed with Mr. Kelly answering council questions.

Citizen Salary Review Commission Final Decision

Administrative Services Director James Trefry spoke of the decision of the Citizen Salary Commission.

The City of Arlington's Citizen Salary Review Commission has completed its work for 2019 and filed its compensation decision with the Arlington City Clerk. The notice specifies changes to the Mayor and Council salaries and per diem reimbursements on July 1, 2019, January 1, 2020, and January 1, 2021. The Commission will meet again in 2021.

The Arlington City Council established the Citizen Salary Review Commission in January 2015 to set the salaries and per diem reimbursements for the city's elected officials. Since its formation, the Commission has focused its work on basing salaries and per diem reimbursement of elected officials on realistic standards so that elected officials of the city may be paid according to the duties of their offices, and so that citizens of the highest quality may be attracted to public service. No action of the City Council is required. By code, the decision of the Citizen Salary Review Commission is final and binding. Discussion followed with Mr. Trefry answering council questions.

Library Board Appointment

Communications Manager Kristin Banfield spoke of recent interviews held by the Library Board interview panel. Three candidates were interviewed for the two open positions on the Library Board. After discussion of the candidates' experience and qualifications, the panel is recommending the reappointment of Stephanie Dickson to the Library Board with a term expiration of April 1, 2024 and the appointment of Jamie Coupaud to the seat vacated by Jerrie Inman, with a term expiration of April 1, 2020. Discussion followed with Ms. Banfield answering council questions.

Miscellaneous Council Items

None.

ADMINISTRATOR AND STAFF REPORTS

Mayor Tolbert spoke of the exceptional work done by Councilmembers Debora Nelson and Jan Schuette regarding their participation in transportation issues at Snohomish County Committee for Improved Transportation (SCCIT) and Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC). Their efforts at SCCIT and PSRC have led to the expansion of a critical study outlining improvements to I-5 that now extends to Exit 208 in Arlington.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Councilmembers Debora Nelson, Marilyn Oertle, Mike Hopson, and Jesica Stickle provided brief updates, while Councilmembers Josh Roundy and Sue Weiss had nothing to report this evening.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

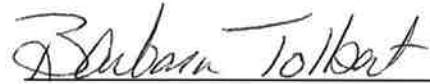
None.

REVIEW OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

There will be one item for public hearing and one item for new business. There will be no consent agenda items for next week's council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.



Barbara Tolbert, Mayor

