

## GIG HARBOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF OCTOBER 14, 2002

**PRESENT:** Councilmembers Ekberg, Franich, Owel, Dick, Picinich, and Ruffo.  
Councilmember Young acted as Mayor Pro Tem in Mayor Wilbert's absence.

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:00 p.m.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### CONSENT AGENDA:

*These consent agenda items are considered routine and may be adopted with one motion as per Gig Harbor Ordinance No. 799.*

1. Approval of the Minutes of City Council Meeting of September 23, 2002.
2. Correspondence/Proclamations:
3. Purchase and Installation Agreement – Roof and Wall Insulation.
4. Vernhardson Street Improvement Final Design – Consultant Services Contract.
5. Copier Maintenance Contract.
6. Special Occasion Liquor License: Knights of Columbus.
7. Liquor License Assumption: Fred Meyer Marketplace.
8. Liquor License Renewals: Jekyll and Hydes; JT's Original BBQ; Harborview Grocery; Wasabi Restaurant.
9. Approval of Payment of Bills for October 14, 2002.  
Checks #38001 through #38178 in the amount of \$786,178.43. Checks #37340 through #38000 were destroyed due to address change.
10. Approval of Payroll for the month of September:  
Checks 1723 through #1754 and #2101 through #2132 and direct deposit entries in the amount of \$207,173.09. Payroll checks #1755 through #2100 were destroyed due to address change.

**MOTION:** Move to approve the consent agenda as presented.  
Picinich/Ruffo – unanimously approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None scheduled.

### NEW BUSINESS:

1. First Reading of Ordinance – 2002 Budget Amendment. David Rodenbach, Finance Director, explained that this amendment allowed for the purchase of the Skansie Property. He said that the proposed transfer of \$800,000 from the general fund to the property acquisition fund represents the down payment for the property. He said the ordinance also provides for the balance to be budgeted for in the property acquisition fund as Bank of America may finance the entire 2.8 million at a more favorable rate than what the note is carrying. This will return at the next meeting for a second reading. He said that this may reflect a savings of approximately \$200,000 over the term of the note.
2. First Reading of Ordinance – Adopting the 2002 Comprehensive Transportation Plan Update. John Vodopich, Community Development Director, presented this ordinance to adopt the March, 2002 Transportation Plan Update. He said that the plan had been brought to Council on an informational presentation in March, and that the public hearing was scheduled for the next meeting of October 28<sup>th</sup>. He added that there had been no significant changes since the last presentation.

Councilmember Dick asked if there would be any way to address the need to add an alternate route to Highway 16 in this plan. John offered to explore language that could be included in the plan.

Mark Hoppen explained that the more appropriate plan of action would be to set a budget objective to do the necessary studies before placing this as an objective in the Comp Plan.

Councilmember Picinich asked about the Haven of Rest access and the Department of Transportation's plans for that area. Mark explained that if the HOV lanes are expanded due to the SR-16 project, then access to those businesses would be cut off and an alternate access would be established. He said that DOT has an historic purchase of property adjacent to the Rosedale overpass that would allow for a reasonable access to those businesses. He continued to explain that the FEIS on the corridor study recommends another alternative that would be come from 96<sup>th</sup> Street, and that the best connection would be from 96<sup>th</sup> Street and at Rosedale as an alternative way to get from Burnham Drive to Rosedale.

Councilmember Ekberg asked if the funding for such connections would come from State. Mark said that he thought it would be mitigation money, but he wouldn't be surprised if the state would only be required to pay half.

Councilmember Ruffo asked for clarification on the relationship of the tables on pages 26 and 30 of the plan. John said that he would get back to him with an answer.

No one signed up to speak on the plan, and the ordinance will return for a public hearing and a second reading at the next meeting.

3. Resolution – Surplus Property. John Vodopich presented this resolution declaring several items that are no longer needed for city uses. He explained that the items would be disposed of by auction as customary. Mark Hoppen explained that under state law, items could also be sold directly to another municipality.

**MOTION:** Move to adopt Resolution 598 as presented.  
Picinich/Ruffo – unanimously approved.

4. Resolution – Fitness Equipment. Mark Hoppen explained that in the 2002 budget, a specific line objective was included to purchase training equipment for the police training room. He described one piece of lifting equipment, adding that it is only sold by one vendor, requiring the adoption of an resolution declaring sole source. He added that he had looked at several alternatives, but that this one was simple, easy to maintain, comparative in cost, and therefore the best option.

**MOTION:** Move to adopt Resolution 599 as presented.  
Picinich/Ruffo – unanimously approved.

**STAFF REPORTS:**

Gig Harbor Police Department – August Stats. No verbal report given.

John Vodopich introduced Dick Bower, Building Official – Fire Marshal, who was present in the audience. He gave an overview of Mr. Bower's prior employment and qualifications.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS / MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Councilmember Picinich said that he had been approached by a citizen who said that the City of Gig Harbor had made quite an impression on the State Auditor due to the ten years of clean audits. He said that he wanted to express his appreciation for a job well done.

Mark Hoppen said that Brian Sonntag, Washington State Auditor, would be present at the next Council meeting to present the city with an award for the ten years with no findings, marking the city as having a record of being the cleanest in the state. Mark added that he was surprised and pleased that those responsible for auditing the city in the past ten years had attended the Civic Center Grand Opening ceremony. Councilmember Owel said that this was quite an accomplishment in this era of creative accounting.

Councilmember Picinich commented that many people were working toward presenting a mission statement to the Council for use of the Bogue Building. Mark explained that the next step would be to take the plan to the city's legal counsel to try and craft an agreement that would allow the proposed use.

Councilmember Ruffo asked about the status of the sale of the City Hall. Mark explained that Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup> was the final date for submittals, but to date, none had been received. If no bids are received, the next step would be to find a commercial broker.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF OTHER MEETINGS:**

1. City Council Worksession – Shooting Range Regulations – 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room, Monday, October 21st.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** For the purpose of discussing potential litigation per RCW 42.30110(i).

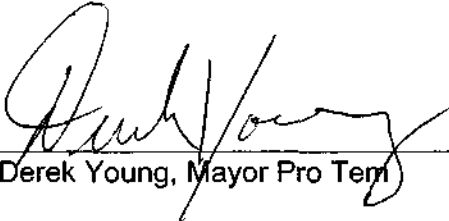
**MOTION:** Move to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:31 p.m. for approximately fifteen minutes.  
Picinich/Ruffo - unanimously approved.

**MOTION:** Move to return to regular session at 7:45 p.m.  
Picinich/Ruffo - unanimously approved.

**ADJOURN:**

**MOTION:** Move to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.  
Picinich/Ruffo - unanimously approved.

Cassette recorder utilized:  
Tape 663 Side A 000 – end.

  
Derek Young, Mayor Pro Tem

  
Molly Doroslee  
City Clerk