

## **MINUTES OF GIG HARBOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING – March 24, 2014**

**PRESENT:** Councilmembers Arbenz, Ekberg, Perrow, Lovrovich, Payne, Kadzik and Mayor Guernsey. Councilmember Malich came to the meeting later.

**CALL TO ORDER:** 5:30 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Guernsey asked Scout Troop 212 to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Approval of City Council Minutes Mar. 10, 2014.
2. Liquor License Action: a) Renewals: Morso, GH Yacht Club, The Green Turtle, Happy at the Bay Teriyaki, Harbor Greens, GH Farmers Market, and Maritime Inn, GH Farmers Market at Uptown; b) Special Occasion Liquor License: History Museum
3. Receive and File: a) Minutes of Joint Council / Planning Commission Worksession Mar. 3, 2014; b) Parks Commission Minutes Nov. 6, 2013; c) Boards and Committees Candidate Review Minutes March 12, 2014.
4. Re-Appointments / Appointments to Gig Harbor Arts Commission.
5. Amendment to Jail Contract – Kitsap County.
6. Resolution No. 955 – Surplus Property - WWTP.
7. Lift Station No. 8 Fence Installation – Small Public Works Contract Award.
8. Resolution No. 956 – Set Public Hearing Date for DRN Annexation of the Bay.
9. Natural Yard Care Agreement with Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department.
10. Approval of Payment of Bills Mar. 24, 2014: Checks #74955 through #75091 in the amount of \$694,530.59.

**MOTION:** Move to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented.  
**Kadzik / Ekberg** - unanimously approved.

Mayor Guernsey welcomed the members newly appointed and reappointed to the Gig Harbor Arts Commission: Deborah Grady, Laura Bethke, and Martha Reisdorf.

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

Mayor Guernsey introduced Nancy Henderson, Pierce Transit Board of Commissioners Representative for Auburn, Gig Harbor, Fircrest, Pacific, Ruston, and Steilacoom. Ms. Henderson said she is attending the smaller cities meetings to get acquainted with the members she will be representing. She cited an overview of the Gig Harbor routes and the elimination of Route 113 to the peninsula; no longer in the Pierce Transit District. She said that as our representative, she wants to be a good voice for us. She encouraged anyone to contact her with any concerns or questions, and said she will keep us advised of items that will impact our region.

Councilmember Perrow thanked her for coming and said he looks forward to talking to her regarding out antiquated routes. Councilmember Payne thanked her for coming and said he also looks forward to discussing the issues.

Mayor Guernsey recognized former Councilmember Derek Young in the audience, and mentioned the city's passion for the trolley.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 1287 - Biennial Budget. Finance Director David Rodenbach presented the second reading of this ordinance that he described as allowing a longer view into the future to plan.

Councilmember Payne mentioned that in talking to staff, the time savings seem to be significant, and so this is the right thing to do.

**MOTION:** Move to adopt Ordinance No. 1287 as presented.  
**Kadzik / Payne** - unanimously approved.

Councilmember Kadzik excused himself from the meeting at this time: 5:40 p.m. and Councilmember Malich came in at 5:43 p.m.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. First Reading of Ordinance – Reducing Number of Members on the Gig Harbor Arts Commission. City Clerk Molly Towslee explained that this ordinance reflects the discussion by Council and by the Arts Commission to reduce the number of members from nine to seven. In addition, it amends the ordinance to reduce the monthly meeting requirement to “at least” quarterly to allow more flexibility. This will return on the consent agenda at the next meeting for adoption.

2. First Public Hearing – Harbor Hill Development Agreement – Amendment No. 2. Planning Director Jennifer Kester presented the background for this amendment to 1) all the expansion of the M-2 parcel in support of the Heron's Key project; 2) update the infrastructure construction sequencing; and 3) allow model homes to begin construction prior to the completion of the infrastructure improvements.

Mayor Guernsey opened the public hearing at 5:45 p.m.

John Chadwell, Olympic Property Group, 110505 Burnham Drive NW. Mr. Chadwell spoke in favor of the amendment, emphasizing that this will allow a better transition for the expansion of the Heron's Key's site to the adjacent residences. The model home piece clarifies when the model home could be completed. He offered to answer questions.

There were no further comments and the public hearing closed at 5:47 p.m. This will return for a second public hearing on April 14<sup>th</sup>.

**STAFF REPORT:**

1. Jeff Langhelm, Public Works Director: Update on Lift Station No. 8. Mr. Langhelm reported on the progress to replace the lift station that serves the west side of the city. The station is sixteen years old and in need of reliability updates including an emergency pump, new valves and wiring, and expanding the fence. He showed photos of the project and answered questions.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

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

Mayor Guernsey introduced members of Boy Scout Troop No. 212 from Chapel Hill Church. She then announced that the City Clerk, Molly Towslee, had recently been awarded the President’s Award of Distinction from the Washington Municipal Clerk’s Association and congratulated her.

Mayor Guernsey presented an update on progress at the Skansie House. City crew is finishing the downstairs and basement, and we are working with Harbor Wildwatch to use a part of the building. In addition, they have done a walkthrough of the Eddon Boat Brick House to gather information in order to upgrade the facility to use as a community center and Eddon Boatshop offices.

Councilmember Malich announced that he met with Derek Kilmer’s staff in Washington D.C. and was encouraged that the acquisition of the sand spit is moving along. He also talked to them about the trolley and a few other waterfront issues. He enjoyed the visit.

Councilmember Perrow said that he attended his first Tacoma Narrows Advisory Commission meeting, and reported that there is a lot being done there. It is in much better hands with Pierce County, and there are plans for a playground, view point, and other improvements, he said. The hangars are up to 70% occupancy; a big increase.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF OTHER MEETINGS:**

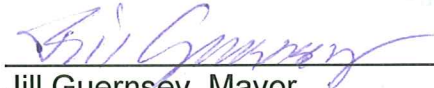
1. Lodging Tax Advisory Commission: Thu. Apr 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 a.m.
2. Intergovernmental Affairs Committee: Mon. Apr 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.
3. Operations Committee: Thur. Apr 17<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m.
4. Please see additional meeting notices on city website.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** To discuss property acquisition per RCW 42.30.110 (1)(b).

The Mayor announced an Executive Session at 5:58 p.m. for approximately 20 minutes to discuss property acquisition per RCW 42.30.110(1)(b). No action is anticipated.

The Mayor and Council returned to regular session at 6:22 p.m. and adjourned to the workstudy session for the Hospital Benefit Zone (HBZ) presentation.

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Jill Guernsey, Mayor

  
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Molly Towslee, City Clerk