

GIG HARBOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING



August 26, 1996

7:00 P.M., CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

AGENDA FOR GIG HARBOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 26, 1996 - 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT/DISCUSSION:

SWEARING IN CEREMONY: Reserve Officers Robert Baker and Jeff Maniatis.

CALL TO ORDER:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

CORRESPONDENCE / PROCLAMATIONS:

1. WFOA - Award of "Professional Finance Officer" to Tom Enlow.
2. International Coastal Cleanup - Dave & Marilyn Tagert.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Second Reading of Ordinances - Design Manual for the City of Gig Harbor, Chapter 2.21, Design Review Board, and Chapter 17.98, Design Standards and Review.
2. McPherson Outside Utility Request.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. First Reading - Bicycle Helmet Ordinance.
2. Juror Services Contract.
3. Computer Purchase for Police Department.
4. Liquor License Renewals - Bartell Drug and Gig Harbor Yacht Club.

MAYOR'S REPORT: History Keeps Ringing My Bell Even After the 50th

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

STAFF REPORTS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OTHER MEETINGS:

City Council Worksession to discuss the Comprehensive Parks Plan - September 16th, 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION: To discuss litigation and personnel matters.

ADJOURN:

REGULAR GIG HARBOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF AUGUST 12, 1996

PRESENT: Councilmembers Owel, Picinich, Ekberg, Markovich, and Mayor Wilbert. Councilmember Platt was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT / DISCUSSION: None.

PUBLIC HEARING: City of Gig Harbor Design Manual; Design Review Board; Design Standards and Review.

Steve Osguthorpe introduced the three ordinances before Council that would adopt a Design Manual, amend GHMC Chapter 2.21, establishing a design review board, and GHMC Chapter 17.98 establishing a design review process. He explained that this was the first reading and second public hearing for these ordinances.

Mayor Wilbert called the public hearing to order at 7:15 p.m. and invited members of the audience who had signed up to speak to come forward.

Tommi Smith - 3414 Harborview Drive. Ms. Smith read a prepared statement in favor of the design manual. She explained that she had lived all around the world and had seen the results of growth without planning. She asked that the Council approve the design manual to prepare for the future growth of the City.

Jack Bujacich - 3607 Ross Avenue. Mr. Bujacich emphasized that he had lived in Gig Harbor for 70 years, and he too, had been around the world. He said the City of Gig Harbor is showing the largest draw seen in years due to the harbor and the quaint town, and he didn't know how you could spoil the city when there were only a dozen or so lots left undeveloped in the Millville area. He added that to follow the design guidelines to build on these lots would devalue the property because it would not allow for anything larger than a 1200 s.f. one-level, or a two-story that would block views. He also stressed that no one from the Millville area had been invited to serve on the technical committee. He said these guidelines would work on new developments, but not in already established areas.

Barbara Malich - 4120 Firdrona Drive. Ms. Malich explained that she was speaking on behalf of herself and her husband, Ken Malich, who own two developable lots in the Millville area. She thanked the Planning Commission, Design Review Committee and Design Guidelines Technical Committee for investing hours of their time to this effort, under the direction of the Council, who worked with the best interest of the community at heart. She continued to say she is in favor of the design review manual because she has seen the success of planned communities and the result of lack of planning. She went on to say that they want to honor the tradition of the city, by blending the best of the past, with the beauty of the future, while making the best use of the property. She urged the adoption of the design manual.

Bob Frisbie - 9720 Woodworth Avenue. Mr. Frisbie said his comments focus upon the historic Millville district. He suggested that a third option be added to allow what could be built in this district today, along with the two options in the design manual.

Paul Cyr - 4102 58th St Ct NW. Mr. Cyr asked how the design review process affected remodeling an existing structure. Steve Osguthorpe explained that only the new addition would be subject to the design criteria. Mr. Cyr then asked about the 120 day law recently passed. Carol Morris advised him that design review would be subject to Title 18, unless the owner requested design review, and signed a waiver to the 120 day rule. Mr. Cyr continued by adding a word of caution regarding the buffering/screening requirements along the Highway 16 corridor, stressing that businesses need to be visible.

Rick Gagliano - 8607 58th Avenue NW. Mr. Gagliano asked that due to possible adjustments or corrections that might need to be done to the guidelines while they were first being utilized, that the Design Review Board have some transitional authority to make those changes.

Dave Sierwrath - 6644 Snug Harbor Lane. Mr. Sierwrath said he came to speak in favor of the design manual proposal, but would like to see a 2-3 year "Sunset Law" included, where the ordinance would die unless renewed in case the rules and regulations proved to be too complex. He added that the height restrictions for buildings was valuable to protect views, but there was nothing to limit the height of vegetation, which he thought should be addressed. Mayor Wilbert said that she was going to be addressing that issue in the future.

Jack Bujacich - Mr. Bujacich asked for clarification on remodeling an existing structure. Steve Osguthorpe again stressed that only the new portion of a remodel would be subject to the design guidelines.

Mayor Wilbert closed the public hearing on these items at 7:53 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: 7:54 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Move approval of the minutes of the July 22, 1996 meeting as presented.
Picinich/Ekberg - unanimously approved.

CORRESPONDENCE / PROCLAMATIONS:

1. Letter from Mary Erdahl, Pierce County Solid Waste Advisory Committee - Request for Applicants. Mayor Wilbert introduced this letter announcing four vacancies on the Solid Waste Advisory Committee.

2. Letter from Rudy Lukez - Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety. Mayor Wilbert said that Tom Enlow, Finance Director, was interested in bicycling and would be taking a look at the request.
3. Letter from Jack Poltz - Peninsula/Gig Harbor Kiwanis. Mayor Wilbert gave an overview of this report on the success of the pancake breakfast, and asked Wes Hill to check the electrical outlets at the park.
4. TCI Acquisition of Viacom. Mayor Wilbert explained that this letter was just informational.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Planning Commission Recommendation, Draft Design Review Manual for the City of Gig Harbor. Steve Osguthorpe explained that there wasn't any new information, and pointed out that the Planning Commission's recommendation included a redefinition of the historic district. He added that this item required no action at this time.
2. Second Reading of Ordinance - Preannexation Zoning for UGA. Ray Gilmore introduced the second reading of this ordinance that would adopt city zoning for the Urban Growth Area. He added that the areas not affected by this were the area where the municipal shop was located, and the Gig Harbor North proposed annexation area, which has its own zoning agreement to be forwarded to the Boundary Review Board with the annexation proposal.

MOTION: Move to approved Ordinance No. 734.
Picinich/Owel - unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Stinson Avenue Improvements. Wes Hill introduced this request from Cheri Grant to install sidewalk and roadway improvements fronting her remodel project on Stinson Avenue that would match the existing improvements installed by the Bush Polen project to the south of her property. He illustrated how the proposed design would align and explained that this proposed alignment deviated from the Public Works Standards for a minor arterial. He explained that if the sidewalk was realigned to meet the Standards, that it would allow for future expansion of the roadway without incurring additional cost to realign the sidewalk. Rick Gagliano, speaking for the Owner, explained that one of the objectives of the design guidelines was to allow for functional, and more interesting designs. He added that because this area of Stinson was transitional to a more residential area, the narrowing of the roadway at this point would slow traffic and allow for a viewing point for the harbor, and asked that the Owner be allowed to align the sidewalk with the existing section. Councilmember Markovich said he agreed that the curving of the sidewalk would lend interest to the roadway. Councilmember Ekberg also agreed and said he was not in favor of widening

Stinson in the future.

MOTION: Move Council defer application to full half-width upon recommended conditions of the Public Works Department, with the exception of Condition number 2, to read “Construct a 5.5-ft. wide sidewalk in accordance with the City’s Public Works Standards at approximately 20.5 ft. from and” and that the existing sidewalk to the south side of the property shall remain in place.
Markovich/Ekberg - unanimously approved.

2. First Reading of Ordinance - Design Manual for the City of Gig Harbor. Mayor Wilbert asked if there were any comments from Council or Staff on this item. It will return for a second reading at the next council meeting.
3. First Reading of Ordinance - New Chapter 2.21, Design Review Board. Mayor Wilbert asked if there were any comments from Council or Staff on this item. It will return for a second reading at the next council meeting.
4. First Reading of Ordinance - New Chapter 17.98, Design Standards and Review. Mayor Wilbert asked if there were any comments from Council or Staff on this item. It will return for a second reading at the next council meeting.
5. Jowers/Brown Outside Utility Request. Mark Hoppen introduced this request for 3.3 ERUs of sewer service to a parcel adjacent to ULID #2 and within the UGA.

MOTION: Move we approve the contract with recommended conditions of approval.
Markovich/Owel - unanimously approved.

6. H & T Enterprise Outside Utility Request. Mark Hoppen introduced this request for 10 ERUs of sewer service to a business park on two parcels adjacent to ULID #2 and within the UGA. Alan Kane, representing H & T Enterprise, voiced his concern that there was no time limit on the condition regarding participating in future signalization at the intersection of 56th Street NW and Olympic Drive. Carol Morris explained that language included in the contract, under section 15, limited any participation in an LID or ULID to ten years. Mr. Kane said that was acceptable.

MOTION: Move to approve the sewer contract with recommended conditions of approval.
Markovich/Picinich - unanimously approved.

7. McPherson Outside Utility Request. Mark Hoppen introduced this request for sewer extension for a parcel in ULID #2, located on the corner of Pt. Fosdick and Olympic Drive.

He explained that the project was not consistent with the proposed land use of the Gig Harbor Comprehensive Plan, which did not allow for a gas station on prominent corner lots. He added that the Public Works Department indicated that the project did not meet the city transportation standards because of the access on Olympic Drive. He added that the applicant believes that the project meets the exception criteria for outside sewer extension and would make presentation to that effect. Carol Morris informed Councilmembers that a copy of Ordinance 722, relating to exceptions to conformance regulations, had been given to them to help them focus deliberations.

Councilmember Markovich asked for clarification on why this project did not comply with the Public Works Standards. Wes Hill explained that the proposed driveway on Olympic Drive was too close to the intersection and to the existing driveway from QFC, causing safety concerns and decreasing the level of service on this arterial.

Carol Morris clarified that when the traffic exited the site on Pt. Fosdick and circled back to get back onto Olympic, they would be traveling through private property. Councilmember Picinich asked if this traffic pattern had been approved by the private property owner. Wes said it had been identified in the traffic analysis, but it was not part of the City's review process. He added that the analysis had identified the existing driveway at this location had already been identified at Level of Service 'F' for left hand turns, and slightly higher for right turns.

Councilmember Markovich asked why the City's Comprehensive Plan did not allow for a gas station at this location. Steve Osguthorpe explained that this corner location was designated as "visually sensitive" because it was a corner at a prominent, entry intersection. He added that the Planning Commission felt these were important corners to establish an identity and make a visual statement for the City and specifically determined that they are not appropriate for use by gas stations.

Councilmember Markovich asked if there were any other zoning or comprehensive concerns affecting this parcel. Ray Gilmore explained that in respect to zoning concerns, when the project was reviewed, the UGA zoning map was not in effect. Presuming the B2 zoning, which is proposed, was in effect, there are performance requirements, such as maximum impervious coverage, that would not be met by this plan. He added that a good portion of the vegetative buffer that appears on the plan is on County right of way. He said there are many performance standards of the zoning code that the project would not meet if the zoning designation were in place.

Ron McPherson - 2416 S.W. Lauderdale, Portland. Mr. McPherson gave a quick overview of his company and the projects that they build. He added that they felt positive when they found this prominent, high-traffic, high retail shopping area with a location right off the freeway. He described the project, and explained the layout of the site. He said that they understood the intent of the Comprehensive Plan and what it proposed to do, but that this area was high-intensity retail. He added that they had gone to great extremes to place their projects in smaller communities because of easier guidelines.

Mr. McPherson went on to explain that they have obtained the permits and variances for the

driveway from Pierce County to build this facility. He emphasized that they are not a gas station, which the Comprehensive Plan does not allow, and that they don't think the Comp Plan applies to this project. He said this is a prominent retail corner and this project is a good match. He answered questions about signage and traffic flow, and said that they had pursued an easement from Mr. Hogan for the adjacent property, which had been denied.

Mr. McPherson finalized by saying that their challenge was to convince Council that they conform to Ordinance 722 exception criteria, and reinforced that the site was not a prominent corner, but a retail corner. He introduced David Markley, traffic engineer, to address the traffic study.

David Markley - 16310 NE 80th, Redmond, Washington. Mr. Markley said he was hired to understand the County's regulations and to prepare a Traffic Impact Analysis. He described the challenge of meeting the setback requirements and separation of two driveways on the same site. He gave an overview of the technical aspect of the analysis, and explained that he had met with the County several times to work out the options. He added that these meetings had resulted in the safest, best balance of options. He said that these driveways were in accordance with Ordinance 722. He said that this project adapts to this type of traffic, and that the location was appropriate for this "convenience use."

Councilmember Markovich commented that Ordinance No. 722 had been adopted to allow flexibility for the very reasons demonstrated with this project. He said he looked at this corner as high-retail, and that this use was as good as any. He said that the applicant had extended the effort to make the project as nice as possible, and added that after hearing the applicant's presentation, that the project meets the intent of Ordinance No. 722. He said that because this corner was the only one left at this intersection that it was appropriate for another high-intensity use, and that this project fits within the intent of Ordinance No. 722. He added that he was happy to see the C-curb barriers preventing left-hand turns and that he did not think the project was detrimental to the area. He said that Council could, with good conscience, evoke the conditions in Ordinance No. 722 and approve this project and would move to do so.

Councilmember Owel asked the applicant why they were unwilling to sign the Utility Extension Capacity Agreement. Mr. McPherson answered that as it exists, the project would not comply with the Comprehensive Plan, and the conditions of the contract. He added that they would be willing to sign after approval of the project, utilizing the conditions of Ordinance No. 722. She asked Councilmember Markovich to restate the intent of his motion.

MOTION: Move to approve the Utility Extension on the condition that the applicant sign the Utility Extension Capacity Agreement in accordance with the exceptions of Ordinance No. 722.
Markovich /

Carol Morris asked if Councilmember Markovich was considering only the issues in respect with compliance with the Comprehensive Plan. Councilmember Markovich asked for clarification of the

remaining issues. Mark Hoppen explained that there were two staff recommended alternatives. One, to remodel the project to meet the standards, issuing the standard contract, and two, that they comply with section 13.34 of the GHMC, including the exception criteria, following public works recommendations which would allow only one driveway. Mark suggested that Wes Hill review that recommendation.

Wes explained that his concern was that another driveway would detrimentally affect the level of service for the existing driveway and the entire intersection. Councilmember Markovich said that he thought that having only one ingress and egress made no sense. He continued by saying that both driveways made sense, the use fit, it was a good project, and that he would approve it the way it stands.

Mr. McPherson explained that every conceivable driveway configuration had been examined, and that this was the most functional. He added that a gasoline tanker truck could not maneuver within the lot with only one driveway. He said that by limiting the project to one driveway, it would double the trips of persons going through the QFC driveway and would cut his traffic flow in half.

Wes Hill asked Mr. Markley for additional information on the impact of the right turn only driveway located on Olympic Drive, on the existing QFC driveway. Mr. Markley said there would be some decline in the capacity at the QFC driveway due to the close proximity. He said there was no way to measure, predict or forecast the actual affect. Mark Hoppen asked if the existing Public Works Standard of 75' separation of driveways as opposed to the proposed 45' separation was merely a subjective or "seat of the pants" judgement. Mr. Markley said "I wouldn't call it 'seat of the pants'". Clearly, if we separate driveways, there is no question that the further they're separated, the better the operation."

Councilmember Ekberg said that he disagreed with Councilmember Markovich's interpretation of Ordinance No. 722, and added that the project does not meet the intent of the Comprehensive Plan or Public Works Standards. He added he was leaning toward Staff's recommendation, and if any changes were made to these recommendations, that it be returned for consideration before final approval. Councilmember Picinich said he also would like this item to return with more specific recommendations. He said he agreed that two driveways would be better than one, and thought the C-curb added some additional safety. He added that he thought this could be a functional project, and wanted the issues in question to be cleared up.

MOTION: Move to table any action on this item to allow staff and the proponents time to come up with possible alternatives and for it to return at the next meeting.
Ekberg/Picinich - unanimously approved.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Review of the 50th Anniversary Week. Mayor Wilbert said that she had been invited to appear on KOMO "TV Presents Step I to Tacoma and Vicinity" program on Channel 4. She said she would speak about alternative transportation issues. She added that she had been approached about utilizing hovercrafts at the ribbon -cutting at the new Historical Museum.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: None.

STAFF REPORT:

Gig Harbor Police Department. Chief Barker gave a brief summary on the Marine Services and offered to answer any questions on the previous months stats.

Legal Counsel. Carol Morris introduced Jennifer Simpson, a new associate at Ogden, Murphy, and Wallace, and explained that Ms. Simpson would be working with her in Gig Harbor.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

MOTION: Move approval of checks #16310 through #16406 in the amount of \$128,284.47.
Owel/Ekberg - unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL:

MOTION: Move approval of payroll checks #12871 through #13003 in the amount of \$198,716.45.
Owel/Ekberg - unanimously approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURN:

MOTION: Move to adjourn at 10:10 p.m.
Picinich/Ekberg - unanimously approved.

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Mayor

City Administrator

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MS. GRETCHEN WILBERT
MAYOR
CITY OF GIG HARBOR
3105 JUDSON STREET
GIG HARBOR WA 98335

DEAR MS. GRETCHEN WILBERT

It is with great pleasure that I inform you that:


TOM ENLOW
FINANCE DIRECTOR

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has been certified as a "PROFESSIONAL FINANCE OFFICER" for the State of Washington by the Washington Finance Officers' Association (WFOA). This annual award requires ongoing educational and professional excellence.

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Sincerely,



Ken Johnson
PFO Committee

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16 Aug, 1996

Madam Mayor,

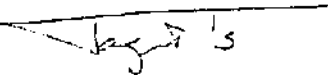
Per our conversation last week the Dive Locker is requesting that we be able to participate in the "International Coastal Cleanup". It is slated for 21 Sept 96.

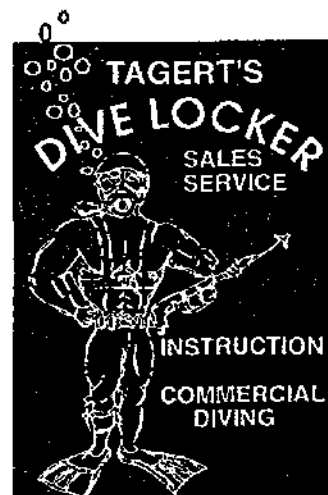
It is our goal/intention to target the bottom of the bay underneath the public dock. The amount of debris accumulated over the years is alarming. The event will be sponsored by the Dive Locker. Food donations have been made by Spiros and hopefully Subway. By the day of the event we will have two dumpsters donated by American Disposal and their removal.

What will be needed by the City of Gig Harbor is the closure of the Public Dock on Sat 21 Sept from the hours of 6am to 3 pm. We will provide all necessary "Diver Down" flags and signage indicating the presense of the divers and the need to stay clear of the area. Any vessels already tied up at the dock would be allowed to stay there until the event is over and would be noted by our team as to the situation. We will also be asking assistance of the police boat to keep traffic from this area.

The specific details of the morning can be worked out between now and then. Any questions please give Marilyn or I a call. And thank you for your help.

Respectfully,


Dave and Marilyn Tagert
Dive Locker



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TO: MAYOR WILBERT AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS
FROM: PLANNING STAFF *S.O.*
DATE: AUGUST 26, 1996

**SUBJECT: SECOND READING -- PROPOSED DESIGN MANUAL AND ASSOCIATED
AMENDMENTS TO GIG HARBOR MUNICIPAL CODE - CHAPTERS 2.21
AND 17.98**

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

This is the second reading of the proposed design manual and associated code amendments following the public hearing held by the City Council on August 12, 1996. It was obvious from the public hearing that the most controversial section of the design manual is the Historic District section. Some of the controversy derives from mis-interpretation of various sections of the Historic District section. For example, it was suggested at the hearing that the manual requires that garages be located behind houses and that this is not possible on typical 50-foot wide lots. Actually, this is not a requirement; it is an option that is currently not available under current codes. Additionally, it was stated that the manual focuses too much on areas already built and that there are very few un-built lots in the proposed historic district. However the manual does not apply to vacant parcels only. The Historic District regulations assure that the character and form of existing historic structures are retained through the remodeling process. The regulations also remove some of the incentives to demolish historic structures and replace them with larger single mass buildings.

It was suggested at the public hearing that a person should be able to build a house under the current height and setback standards if they choose and that the design manual standards should be optional. Although this approach would negate some of the benefits of a mandatory approach (e.g., preservation of existing character and retention of wider view corridors between structures), this is an option that the Council may wish to consider. The staff has drafted alternative language to page 82 - 90 of Draft 4 (attached) which would allow conformance to either existing zoning code height and setback standards or to height, roof pitch and setback standards defined in the manual.

At the public hearing, the staff represented that for the optional height allowance to be considered by the Design Review Board, the applicant would be required to demarcate the proposed structure with string, balloons, rods or similar items which physically show the proposed height. A closer look at the manual reveals that this requirement applies to commercial properties only. The staff believes it was the intent of the DRB to have this demarcation requirement apply to both commercial and residential development.

POLICY

This is the second reading and the City Council may take action on this proposal.

RECOMMENDATION

The staff recommends that the City Council adopt the proposed design manual (Exhibit "A" in July 22nd packet) and associated chapters to the Municipal Code as recommended by the Planning Commission in its report dated July 12, 1996 (signed July 11, 1996), provided that (a) the optional height allowance defined on page 86 of the manual is revised to include the requirement for demarcating the proposed structure with string, balloons, rods or similar items which physically show the proposed structure's height; (b) all corrections recommended by the Planning Commission and legal counsel be incorporated into the document, and (c) all page and section numbers in the document are proofed by the staff and, where necessary, corrected or completed. Draft ordinances adopting the manual and associate chapters which include the Planning Commission's and legal counsel's recommended changes are attached as Final Exhibit "B".

The staff reminds the Council that the Planning Commission's recommendation included items not contained in the draft manual or chapters. Please refer to the Staff and Planning Commission report included in your July 22nd Council packet.

SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING DESIGN

The following standards represent alternative ways to de-emphasize garages located on the front of houses, incentive to locate garages behind houses, and side yard setback standards intended to preserve significant views. Except for these and other standards stipulated in the zoning code, no other design criteria shall apply to single family houses outside the Historic District unless they are part of a planned unit development, in which case both single and multi-family housing criteria shall apply.

1. **Conform to setback requirements.** The following setbacks are designed to give greater emphasis to front entrances and porches while keeping the garage a subordinate element in the house design:

Front setback: *Standard* *16' foot height option
in historic district*

House - 20 feet	<i>As per zoning code</i>
Garage - 26 feet	<i>As per zoning code</i>
Porch - 12 feet	<i>As per zoning code</i>

Side setback - 8 feet *As per zoning code*

Rear setback - 30 feet. *As per zoning code*

2. **Consider incentives to locate garage behind the house*.** To encourage garages in back yards, garages may be located in the defined side and rear yards provided they meet the following criteria for special exceptions:

* Note: Incentives do not apply to residential development built under the 16-foot height option in the historic district.

- a. The garage is placed at least 6 feet behind the house (a breezeway may connect the garage to the house).
- b. The garage is at least three feet from the side and rear property lines or three from an alley access easement..
- c. The size of the garage does not exceed 24 X 24 feet.

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- d. The height of the garage is limited to 12 feet above the highest point of natural grade along the front (vehicular entrance) wall of the garage.
 - e. The roof of the garage has a minimum pitch of 3/12.
3. **De-emphasize garage**. Where it is not possible to locate garages behind the house, it is possible to de-emphasize the garage by giving visual emphasis to design elements which reflect human activity and enclosure. Choose one of the following options:
- a. **Recess garage entrances** - Recess garage doors at least 6 feet back of the front facade of the house, or
 - b. **Emphasize windows and porches** - Provide windows in gables or dormers above the garage doors along with front porches which emphasize the front entries.
 - c. **Provide rear alley access to garages** - For determining setbacks, the lot line abutting the alley shall be considered the rear lot line.
4. **Emphasize front Entry**. Front porches can be used to emphasize the front entry. When there is no front porch or when a front porch is not an obvious or prominent feature of the house design, the front door must be oriented so that it directly faces the street.
5. **Avoid dominant garages in high density PUD's**. To keep high density housing from looking like garages or storage units, emphasis shall be placed on Section 4(b) above.
6. **Respect natural topography**. Houses shall be designed to fit natural slopes rather than forcing the slope to fit a particular house design. Avoid cuts & fills beyond the foundation wall by developing designs which compliment and take advantage of natural topography. Sloped lots may required

terraced yards with multi-level houses designed to follow the slope.

7. **Determine allowable building height from any point within setback area.** Allowable building height may be measured from any point within defined setbacks (refer to zoning code for allowed heights in specific zones), *except that in the historic district under the 16-foot height option, height must be measured from the highest elevation of the natural grade of the property where the footprint of the building will be located.*

8. **Avoid visually looming wall planes.** No wall plane may exceed a height of two stories. If a third story is desired, the building facade must be stepped back to avoid a three-story drop. Alternatively, the third story may be contained in the roof space, provided that dormers are stepped back of the main fascia line.

9. **If applicable, conform to all parkway standards.** Single family houses on parcels having frontage on a designated parkway shall conform to all parkway standards on page ____ .

10. **Conform to all building and outdoor lighting standards.** Single family homes shall comply with all outdoor lighting standards on page ____ .

11. **Conform to all fencing standards.** Single family development shall conform to all fencing standards defined on page ____ .

HISTORIC DISTRICT DESIGN

The Historic District includes ~~the entire plat of Millville~~ the Downtown Business District, ~~and~~ all waterfront districts *and the area bordered by Harborview Drive, Rosedale Street and Stinson Avenue*. The following standards shall apply to all development within the Historic District including single family housing. (See also Downtown Streetscape standards on pg. ___)

Massing and Setbacks:

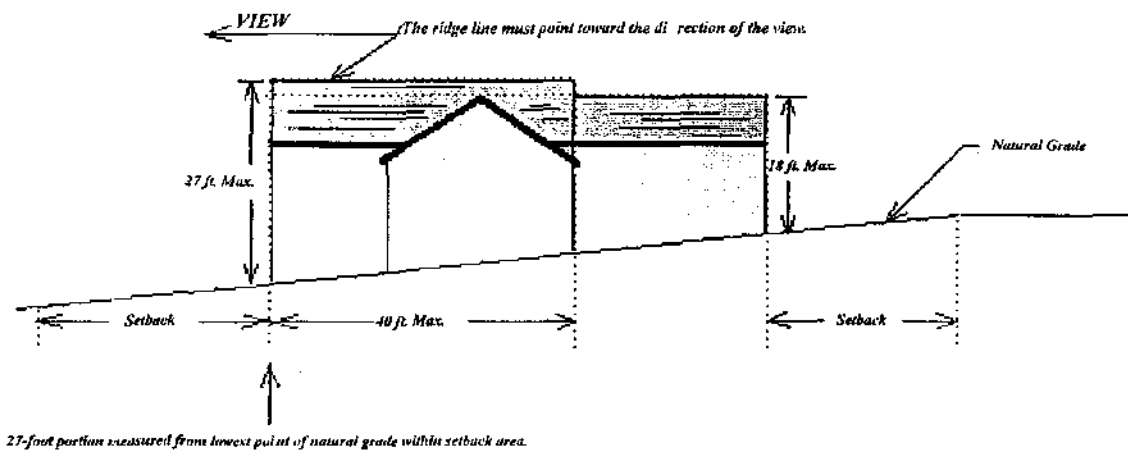
One of the most characteristic design features of Gig Harbor's historic area is the small scale and simple mass of the older houses. These homes are of modest widths, being deeper than they are wide, and include steep pitched roofs with the narrow ends of the roofs facing the street. Historic homes are also characterized by front porches placed near the street. Garages are set back of the main structure so that the emphasis from the street is on human habitation rather than vehicular enclosure.

These elements of design have been reversed on newer homes. Most homes built since the 1950's are characterized by horizontal dimensions with low slung roof planes oriented to the road. The front porch has largely been replaced by front garages, with the garage often appearing larger than the house. These trends have significantly altered the visual character of the view basin and have decreased the width of view corridors between homes. To preserve views and also to allow structures with basic historic proportions, the following standards shall be observed:

1. **Incorporate characteristic roof lines and massing into residential structures***. Historic structures in Gig Harbor are characterized by similar roof lines and massing. All residential structures within the historic district must meet the following criteria:
 - a. **Minimum roof pitch**. Roof pitches shall be minimum 6/12 and maximum 12/12 on all portions of the roof except for (a) shed dormers, (b) porches, (c) the lower pitched roof portion on a saltbox-style structure, and (d) steeples, bell towers, and similar accentuated structures.
 - b. **Maximum height**. Each residential lot is allowed a building height of up to 18 feet from any point at the setback line, provided that no portion of the structure exceeds 27 feet above natural grade. Notwithstanding, the DRB may approve one BASIC STRUCTURE measuring 25 X 40 X 27 feet high to be incorporated into the building design. DRB approval shall be based upon the following

criteria:

- i. The height of the basic structure shall be measured from the lowest elevation point at the setback lines. Height shall be measured from natural grade.
- ii. The ridge of the basic structure shall be perpendicular to the shoreline or "point" to a significant view.
- iii. No structures other than chimneys shall extend beyond the area defined by the gable or hip, i.e., no structure shall extend above the common rafter extending from the top wall plate to the ridge unless it is within the underlying 18-foot height envelope.
- iv. The minimum roof pitch is 8/12. Equal pitches are used on the remaining portion of the house.
- v. The basic structure shall be located to provide maximum view corridors between structures.
- vi. All other setback and height requirements are complied with.





The dominant end-gable and the intersecting dormer on the side typify many historic homes in the Gig Harbor basin.

- d. Intersecting gable or dormer requirement. To avoid expansive roof planes, fascia boards may not exceed 35 feet in length without an intersecting gable, dormer or similar architectural element incorporated into the roof plane above the fascia board on pitched roofs. This requirement does not apply to DRB approved BASIC STRUCTURES.



The intersecting dormers and porch gable provide visual interest to this otherwise unbroken roof plane.

2. **Conform to height standards for commercial structures.** Historic commercial structures were typically flat roofed buildings with projecting cornices, sometimes with an extended parapet on the front. To allow similarly designed buildings, all commercial structures within the historic overlay district must meet the following criteria:

- a. **Maximum height - Standard.** Each commercial building may be up to 18 feet above any point within the setback area, with a minimum roof pitch of 6/12 and the main ridge running perpendicular to (pointing toward) the view. Flat roof buildings are permitted, provided the building does not exceed a height of 16 feet above natural grade. No portion of either a pitched or flat roofed buildings may exceed 27 feet above natural grade.
- b. **Maximum height - Option.** The DRB may consider a height allowance for commercial structures of up to 20 feet above the highest point of natural grade within the setback lines, provided that no portion of the structure exceeds 30 feet above natural grade. The DRB's decision shall be based upon the following procedures and findings:

Procedures:

- i. A site plan and elevations of what would be allowed on the subject site under the standard height restriction in (a) above is submitted.
- ii. Site plan and elevation drawings which reasonably reflect the location, height and design of adjacent structures are submitted.
- iii. The proposed structure is demarcated on site with string, balloons, rods, or similar items which can physically show the proposed height. This demarcation shall remain on the site for at least two weeks beyond the date of mailed notice to allow interested parties to inspect said demarcation.

Findings:

i. The increased height will provide equivalent or increased viewing opportunities as would be achieved under standard height allowances, although not necessarily from the same vantage point. (Because all development effects views to one degree or another, and because the City will not favor one parcel's viewing opportunities at the expense of another, the DRB's review will be based upon net results; rather than individual effects).

ii. All other design criteria outlined in the City's Design Manual are complied with.

3. **Avoid unusual or atypical roof forms on all structures.** A-frame, gambrel, curvilinear, domed, and mansard style roofs are not characteristic of Gig Harbor's historic architecture and are prohibited. Multiple gables or sheds over a single-mass structure forming a "saw-tooth" design are discouraged but may be considered by the DRB. (See pg. ____)

4. **Conform to setback requirements for commercial and residential structures***. The following setbacks are designed to give greater emphasis to commercial and residential entrances while keeping garages a subordinate element in building designs:

Front setback:

House or storefront - 20 feet

Garage - 26 feet

Porch or colonnade - 12 feet

All portions of structures in the DB zone - 0 feet.

Side setback:

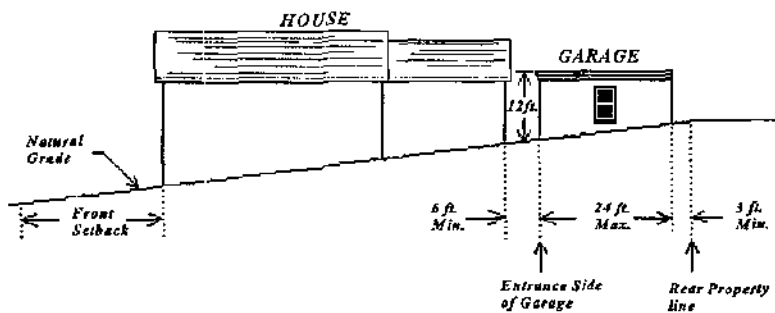
On a 50-foot wide lot, 20 feet of combined side yard setback is required and may be allotted as desired except that a minimum of 5 feet on any one side is required. For every additional foot of lot width beyond 50 feet, .25 feet of side yard setback is required.

Rear setback:

As defined in each zone in the Gig Harbor Municipal Code or 25 feet, which ever is less.

5. **Choose side yard setbacks which best preserve views from adjacent parcels***. In determining side yard setbacks, consideration should be given to how the location of the structure will affect views from adjacent parcels and how vehicular access to rear garages can best be achieved. Total combined side yard setbacks may be allotted as desired except that a minimum of 5 feet on any one side is required.

6. **Consider incentives to locate residential garage behind the house***. To encourage garages in back yards, garages may be located in the defined side and rear yards provided they meet the following criteria for special exceptions:
 - a. The garage is placed at least 6 feet behind the house (a breezeway may connect the garage to the house).
 - b. The garage is at least three feet from the side and rear property lines.
 - c. The size of the garage does not exceed 24 X 24 feet.
 - d. The height of the garage is limited to 12 feet above the highest point of natural grade along the front (vehicular entrance) wall of the garage.



Rear-yard garages are encouraged with special setback allowances.*

** NOTE: Standard in 1 - 6 above pertaining to height, roof pitch and setbacks do not apply to residential structures built under the 16-foot height option. Such structures must comply with setbacks established in the underlying zone as defined in the zoning code.*

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7. **Avoid yard accessories between structures which block views.** Yard accessories such as shrubs, trees, trellises or fences *should be located in such a manner as to enhance the view without significantly blocking views from surrounding properties.* ~~over three feet high are not permitted in any yard defined as a view corridor.~~

FINAL EXHIBIT "B"

ORDINANCE NO. ____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR ADOPTING A NEW CHAPTER 2.21 TO THE GIG HARBOR MUNICIPAL CODE WHICH ESTABLISHES A DESIGN REVIEW BOARD WHICH WILL REVIEW OUTDOOR PROJECT DESIGNS IN THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR.

WHEREAS, the City of Gig Harbor's Comprehensive Plan Design Element on pages 18-34 includes several goals and policies relating to community design and states on page 18 that more specific guidelines must be developed and that zoning code revisions will be required to achieve said goals; and,

WHEREAS, a design guidelines technical committee (DGTC) was authorized by the City Council in April 1995 to develop design guidelines for the City; and,

WHEREAS, over the course of one year the DGTC developed a comprehensive Design Manual which addresses all goals and policies in the Design Element, with the exception of policies pertaining to signage, which policies were addressed in a 1996 sign code update; and,

WHEREAS, the design manual was formatted in such a way as to allow either administrative review of outdoor designs or, in order to allow greater design flexibility, review by a design review board; and,

WHEREAS, a proposed Chapter 2.21 which establishes a Design Review Board (DRB) was presented at a public hearing which was held on June 13, 1996; and,

WHEREAS, the planning commission held a worksession on June 20, 1996 to consider input received at the public hearing and has recommended changes to the proposed Chapter 2.21 as outlined in a report from the staff and Planning Commission to the City Council dated July 11, 1996; and,

WHEREAS, the City's legal counsel has recommended changes to the proposed chapter 2.21 to avoid legal challenges, which changes are reflected in a staff report to the City Council dated July 22, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the City Council also held a public hearing on August 12, 1996 to receive input on the proposed Chapter 2.21; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the regulations in the proposed Chapter 2.21 to the Gig Harbor Municipal Code are consistent with, and would implement, the goals and policies stated in the Design Element of the City's Comprehensive Plan.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Gig Harbor, Washington, **ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS**:

Section 1. A new section to the Gig Harbor Municipal Code is adopted as follows:

Chapter 2.21

DESIGN REVIEW BOARD (DRB)

2.21.010 Creation of Design Review Board

A Design Review Board (also referred to as DRB) is hereby created. The Design Review Board shall consist of 5 members, one of whom shall be a member of the Planning Commission. The Design Review Board shall interpret, review and implement design review as provided by the City's adopted Design Manual.

2.21.020 Terms and Qualifications of Members

- A. Members of the Design Review Board shall serve terms of two years. The terms shall be staggered. Terms expire on July 1 but members of the Design Review Board shall continue to serve until their successors are appointed and qualified. The member appointed from the Planning Commission shall serve a term of two years, but a vacancy shall occur in the event the person ceases to be a member of the Planning Commission. The City Council shall appoint a new DRB member to fill vacancies that might arise and such appointments shall be to the end of the vacating member's term.
- B. The City Council shall choose Design Review Board members with qualifications, skills or demonstrated interest in one or more of the following 6 categories.
1. A licensed architect or professional designer with demonstrated experience in urban design.
 2. A member living in the City with demonstrated interest and knowledge of urban design.
 3. A member from the Gig Harbor Planning Commission.
 4. A member with a professional background relating to urban design, (e.g., an artist, an engineer, a planner, a contractor) as determined by the City Council.
 5. A member with demonstrated interest and knowledge of landscaping, horticulture, arboriculture or forestry.
 6. One or more members recommended by or associated with one of the following groups: The Gig Harbor Chamber of Commerce; The Peninsula Historical Society; A local neighborhood or homeowner's association.

2.21.030 Purposes.

A. The purposes of the Design Review Board are:

1. To assure that outdoor projects and exterior improvements subject to design review conform to the City's design manual.

2. To protect and enhance Gig Harbor's small town characteristics by assuring that decisions on design reflect the intent of the City's Design Manual and the Design Element of the City's Comprehensive Plan.
3. To make suggestions on design alternatives which meet the needs of the property or business owner and which are consistent with and meet the intent of the City's design policies.
4. To make recommendations to the Planning Commission and City Council on policies and ordinances that may affect the City's design and visual character.

2.21.040 Additional Powers.

In addition to the powers set forth in Section 2.21.030, the Design Review Board shall:

- A. Determine if outdoor project designs subject to design review are in compliance with the general requirements of the Design Manual and shall approve, approve with conditions, or disapprove proposed designs. The Design Review Board shall state specific reasons for disapproval so that the applicant has an opportunity to address those concerns.
- B. Recommend to the Planning Commission for adoption standards to be used by the City or Design Review Board in reviewing outdoor proposals with City limits or its areas of contractual jurisdiction.
- C. Recommend to the City Council the purchase of interests in property for purposes of preserving the City's visual characteristics or implementing the provisions of the City's Design Manual or the Design Element of the City's Comprehensive Plan.
- D. Advise the City Council on possible incentives to preserve historic structures within the City's historic district.
- E. Recommend to the Planning Commission and the City Council, zoning boundary changes which are consistent with the City's Design Manual and the Design Element of the City's Comprehensive Plan.
- F. Recommend to the Planning Commission and the City Council, changes to the Gig Harbor Municipal code and Public Works Standards which reinforce the purpose of the City's Design Manual and the Design Element of the City's Comprehensive Plan.
- G. Provide advice and guidance on request of the property owner or occupant on the restoration, alteration, decoration, landscaping, or maintenance of any structure or site within the City's jurisdiction.

2.21.050 Limitations.

The Design Review Board may approve, conditionally approve or disapprove project *designs* or design variances pursuant to the standards in the City's Design Manual and GHMC Section

17.98. The DRB shall have no authority to make final decisions on site plans, or to waive, increase or decrease any other code requirements. Site plans shall be reviewed as provided in Title 19.

2.21.060 Organization. The City's Design Review Board shall be organized as follows:

- A. **Chairman.** The Design Review Board shall elect one of its members to serve as Chairman for a term of one year at its first meeting in March of each year. The Chairman may be elected to serve for one consecutive additional term, but not for more than two successive terms.
- B. **Quorum.** No business shall be conducted without a quorum at the meeting. A quorum shall exist when the meeting is attended by a majority of the appointed members of the DRB, which may include the Chairman.
- C. **Voting.** All actions of the Design Review Board shall be represented by a vote of the membership. A simple majority of the members present at the meeting in which action is taken, shall approve any action taken. The Chairman may vote at the meetings.

2.21.070 Staff Assistance.

The City's Planning Department shall provide the Design Review Board with such assistance as is reasonably necessary to enable it to perform its functions and duties. Staff assistance shall include, but not be limited to, the making of recommendations in staff reports to the DRB on specific projects, research, general planning and instruction.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after publication of an approved summary consisting of the title.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Gig Harbor, Washington at its regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 1996.

GRETCHEN A. WILBERT, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Mark E. Hoppen, City Administrator

Filed with City Clerk: August 2, 1996

Ordinance Adopted:

Date Published:

Effective Date:

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. _____

of the City of Gig Harbor, Washington

On the ____ day of _____, 1996, the City Council of the City of Gig Harbor, passed Ordinance No. _____. A summary of the content of said ordinance, consisting of the title, provides as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR ADOPTING A NEW CHAPTER 2.21 TO THE GIG HARBOR MUNICIPAL CODE WHICH ESTABLISHES A DESIGN REVIEW BOARD WHICH WILL REVIEW OUTDOOR PROJECT DESIGNS IN THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR.

The full text of this Ordinance will be mailed upon request.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 1996.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR, MARK HOPPEN

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WHEREAS, a design guidelines technical committee (DGTC) was authorized by the City Council in April 1995 to develop design guidelines for the City; and,

WHEREAS, over the course of one year the DGTC developed a comprehensive Design Manual which addresses all goals and policies in the Design Element, with the exception of policies pertaining to signage, which policies were addressed in a 1996 sign code update; and,

WHEREAS, a new Chapter 17.98 has been proposed which provides a process for design review and administration of the City's Design Manual; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Chapter 17.98 was presented at a public hearing which was held on June 13, 1996; and,

WHEREAS, the planning commission held a worksession on June 20, 1996 to consider input received at the public hearing and has recommended changes to the proposed Chapter 17.98 as outlined in a report from the staff and Planning Commission to the City Council dated July 11, 1996; and,

WHEREAS, the City's legal counsel has recommended changes to the proposed chapter 17.98 to avoid legal challenges, which changes are reflected in a staff report to the City Council dated July 22, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the City Council also held a public hearing on August 12, 1996 to receive input on the proposed Chapter 17.98; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the regulations in the proposed Chapter 17.98 to the Gig Harbor Municipal Code, are consistent with, and would implement, the goals and policies stated in the Design Element of the City's Comprehensive Plan.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Gig Harbor, Washington, **ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS**:

Section 1. A new section to the Gig Harbor Municipal Code is adopted as follows:

Chapter 17.98

DESIGN STANDARDS & REVIEW

17.98.010 Intent

This chapter is intended to implement the goals and policies established in the Design Element of the City's Comprehensive plan by providing design standards and procedures for the review of outdoor projects and development as described herein to determine their compliance with design standards as adopted by the City. The design review process is not intended to determine the appropriateness of a given use on a given site or to address technical requirements which are otherwise reviewed under the Site Plan review process. It is intended to protect the general health, safety and welfare of the citizens by protecting property values; protecting the natural environment; promoting pedestrian activities; promoting community pride; protecting historical resources; preserving the aesthetic qualities which contribute to the City's small town characteristics which have attracted residents, businesses and customers; and promoting the economic viability of the community by preserving and creating well designed commercial districts which attract customers and businesses.

17.98.020 Design Manual.

The City's design standards are contained in the Design Manual adopted by the City, and as amended from time to time. A copy of the Design Manual is on file with the City Clerk. In those cases where the Design Manual is found to be in conflict with performance standards of the zoning code, the standards in the Design Manual shall prevail.

17.98.030 Applicability

The Design Manual applies to all proposals to build, locate, construct, remodel, alter or modify any facade on any structure or building or other visible element including, but not limited to, landscaping, parking lot layout, signs, outdoor furniture in public or commercial locations, outdoor lighting fixtures, fences walls and roofing materials (hereafter referred to as *outdoor proposals*), as described in the design manual. Design review approval is required for all outdoor proposals which require a building permit or which are part of a project or development requiring site plan, conditional use, or City Council approval.

17.98.040 Design Review Application Requirements

Application for design review, whether administrative or through the City's Design Review Board (DRB) shall be submitted in such detail as to allow the review of the specific project on the merits of the City's Design Manual and other applicable City codes. Projects may be reviewed in one complete application or may be reviewed by category. To be considered complete, the following information must be submitted for each category of requested design review.

A. Site Plan Review

1. Site Plan. A site plan, drawn to scale no smaller than one inch equals 30 feet showing

location and size of all structures, buffer areas, yards, open spaces, common areas or plazas, walkways, vehicle areas.

2. **Vegetation Plan.** A significant vegetation plan which accurately identifies the species, size and location of all significant vegetation within the buildable area and within 5 feet of all setback lines.

3. **Landscape Plan.** A preliminary landscape plan showing the species size and location of all significant natural vegetation to be retained.

4. **Site Section Drawings.** Section drawings which illustrates existing and proposed grades in specified areas of concern as identified by the staff. Alternatively, a topographic map delineating contours, existing and proposed, at no greater than five-foot intervals and which locates existing streams, marshes and other natural features. may be submitted.

5. **Grading & Drainage Plan.** An accurate grading and drainage plan which indicates all cuts, fills and required areas of disturbance necessary to construct all retaining walls and structures.

6. **Utilities Plan.** A utilities plan showing location of utilities in relation to landscape and buffer areas (utility plan must be consistent with proposed areas of non-disturbance).

B. Landscaping and Paving Review

1. **Final Landscape Plan.** A final landscape plan showing type size, species, and spacing of all retained and new vegetation.

2. **Irrigation plan.** Showing irrigation of all domestic vegetation.

3. **Paving Materials.** Description of all pedestrian and vehicular paving materials. Descriptions must specify type, color and/or texture.

C. Architectural Design Review

1. **Elevation Drawings.** Complete elevation drawings of all buildings showing all trim details, dimensions and proposed materials including roofing, siding, windows and trim.

2. **Sign Plan.** A master sign plan showing the location of signage on buildings consistent with GHMC Section 17.80.

3. **Architectural Lighting Details.** Details on all lighting proposals which affect architectural detailing (e.g., indirect lighting), or which are for architectural enhancement.

4. **Screening details.** Details on how all mechanical and utility equipment will be screened.

D. Color and Material Review

1. Color Palette. A color palette of the building's exterior including roof, siding, trim.
2. Material Samples. Sample colors of all factory finished materials including roofing and masonry materials.
3. Fencing Details. Color, type and specification of all fencing and screening materials

E. Outdoor Lighting & Accessories Review

1. Light Fixture Details. The type, model, color, location, height, and area of illumination for all outdoor light fixtures
2. Accessory Details. The type, model, color, and location of all outdoor furniture, trash receptacles, and accessories.

17.98.050 Design Review and Project Approval

Design review shall be processed by the Director as a Permit Application Type II (refer to Title 19), or may be reviewed at a public meeting by the City's Design Review Board (DRB), as follows:

- A. Project Review Time. Design review must be completed as defined in Title 19, except that if the DRB review option is requested, the applicant must submit a signed statement waiving rights to be reviewed under the time limits defined in GHMC Title 19. A waiver of Title 19 time limitations may also be issued if the applicant chooses to grant the Planning Director additional time for the Director's review.
- B. Project Approval. All outdoor proposals must comply with the Design Manual standards. Outdoor proposals shall be reviewed according to the following review options:
 1. Design Review Board (DRB) approval. Outdoor projects which conform to the general requirements of the design manual (as defined within the design manual) shall be approved by the DRB unless the DRB makes specific findings for denial as defined in subsection 17.98.030(C). The DRB shall issue a written decision on the proposal within 14 days of full-quorum DRB review, unless the DRB and the applicant agree to continue review of the proposal to the next DRB public meeting.
 2. Director Approval. Outdoor proposals which conform to the specific requirements of the design manual (as defined within the design manual) shall be approved by the Planning Director (or designee).
- C. Project Denial. The Planning Director (or designee) shall deny projects or portions of projects which he/she finds are not in compliance with the specific requirements of the design manual. The applicant may appeal the Director's decision to deny a project to the

Design Review Board if he or she believes the Director interpreted the specific requirements of the design manual incorrectly, or if he or she believes that the project conforms to the general requirements of the design manual. Projects may be denied by the DRB if it finds that the project does not comply with the specific or general requirements of the Design Manual.

- D. Notice of Decision. For projects requiring site plan approval, notice of the staff or DRB decision on the project design shall be included in the site plan staff report to the Hearing Examiner.
- E. Site Plan Review Design Amendments. Design approval as granted by the Planning Director or DRB shall not be revisited by the Hearing Examiner except upon appeal or where specific health/safety considerations as determined by the Hearing Examiner require changes to a site plan. Changes to project designs resulting from site plan review shall be consistent with the specific or general requirements of the Design Manual as determined by the Hearing Examiner.

17.98.060 Variances

- A. Required Findings. Variances from the requirements of the Design Manual may be granted by the DRB, except that variances affecting height and setbacks which exceed the limitations established in Section 17.66.020(A) must be reviewed by the Hearing Examiner as per the general variance procedures established in Section 17.66.030. Before a variance can be granted, the Design Review Board shall make findings of fact setting forth and showing that all of the following circumstances exist:
 - 1. Special conditions and circumstances exist which render a specific requirement of the design manual unreasonable, given the location and intended use of the proposed development.
 - 2. The special conditions and circumstances are characteristic of the proposed general use of a site and not of a specific tenant.
 - 3. The special conditions and circumstances are not representative of typical retail, professional office or residential-type development which may be allowed within the zoning district.
 - 4. The requested variance is based upon functional consideration rather than economic hardship, personal convenience or personal design preferences.
 - 5. Architectural changes in the project design as a result of the variance have been sufficiently compensated by other architectural embellishments, and site plan changes as a result of the variance have been sufficiently compensated by other site amenities.
 - 6. The requested variance will not result in a project which is inconsistent with the intent and general scope of the design manual standards.

- B. Notice Notice of variances affecting height or setbacks approved by the DRB shall be sent to owners of all contiguous parcels.

17.98.070 Appeal of Director's or DRB's Decision

The Planning Director's decision may be appealed to the DRB if the applicant believes the Director interpreted the specific requirements of the design manual incorrectly, or if the applicant believes his or her project conforms to the general requirements of the design manual. The decision of the DRB may be appealed to the Hearing Examiner by the applicant, parties of record, or contiguous property owners, subject to the provisions of Chapter 19.06.

17.98.080 Design Review Decision Chart

ENTITY	DESIGN REVIEW	DESIGN MANUAL VARIANCE	APPEAL
Director	No Public Meeting or Hearing	_____	To Design Review Board (DRB)
Design Review Board (DRB)	Public Meeting	Processed concurrently with Design Review	To Hearing Examiner
Hearing Examiner	Limited design changes allowed only if they reflect required changes to site plan- Public Hearing	Processed only upon appeal	To City Council
City Council	Processed only upon appeal	Processed only upon appeal	Judicial

Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after publication of an approved summary consisting of the title.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Gig Harbor, Washington at its regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 1996.

GRETCHEN A. WILBERT, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Mark E. Hoppen, City Administrator

Filed with City Clerk: August 2, 1996

Ordinance Adopted:

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SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. _____

of the City of Gig Harbor, Washington

On the ____ day of _____, 1996, the City Council of the City of Gig Harbor, passed Ordinance No. _____. A summary of the content of said ordinance, consisting of the title, provides as follows:

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The full text of this Ordinance will be mailed upon request.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 1996.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR, MARK HOPPEN



City of Gig Harbor. The "Maritime City."

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TO: MAYOR WILBERT AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: MARK HOPPEN, CITY ADMINISTRATOR *MH by nmt*
SUBJECT: UTILITIES REQUEST - RON MCPHERSON
DATE: AUGUST 20, 1996

INFORMATION/BACKGROUND

This request for outside sewer extension was tabled to the August 26th Council Meeting to allow the Applicant to work with Staff for alternatives to several concerns. The Applicant has requested additional time to submit information for consideration.

POLICY CONSIDERATION

Planning review of the proposal indicates that the proposed development is not consistent with the proposed land use because the City of Gig Harbor Comprehensive Plan specifically prohibits gas stations on prominent corner lots such as the one in this application. Public Works indicates that the project is inconsistent with city transportation standards with respect to the proposed access to Olympic Drive. The applicant stated that the project meets exception criteria for outside sewer extension.

RECOMMENDATION

That this item be tabled to a future meeting to allow the Applicant additional time to work with Staff to address the concerns identified at the August 12th Council meeting.



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TO: MAYOR WILBERT AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: TOM ENLOW
DATE: AUGUST 7, 1996
SUBJECT: FIRST READING - BICYCLE HELMET ORDINANCE

BACKGROUND

Pierce County adopted an ordinance in 1994 requiring the use of helmets by all bicyclists in the unincorporated areas of the county. Since then Tacoma, Puyallup and Fircrest have adopted similar ordinances. Adoption of this ordinance will provide for consistent bicycle helmet laws throughout most of Pierce County.

Head injuries are a major cause of death and disability associated with the operation of a bicycle on public roadways and bike paths. Every year approximately 1000 Americans die of bicycle-related injuries. Approximately 75% of those deaths are due to head injuries. Children between the ages of 8 and 12 are most at risk. Statistics from Harborview Medical Center show that in 1986, 70% of people treated for bicycle related trauma were under the age of 13. Almost half suffered head injuries. Another study shows that helmet use could reduce the number of head injuries involving bicycling by 85%.

This ordinance is supported by our Police Chief, the Tacoma Wheelmen's Bicycle Club and local bicycle shops. A request for comment posted on Seattle's Cascade Bicycle Club e-mail list resulted in three responses opposing helmet laws (citing imposition on individual rights while supporting the use of helmets) and nine responses in favor (citing personal safety and potential costs to the public of severe head injuries).

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the ordinance at its second reading.

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, REQUIRING THE WEARING OF AN APPROVED BICYCLE HELMET WHILE CYCLING OR RIDING ON A BICYCLE IN PUBLIC AREAS IN THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR; MAKING A PARENT OR GUARDIAN RESPONSIBLE FOR REQUIRING THE USE OF SUCH HELMETS BY A MINOR; SETTING SAFETY STANDARDS FOR BICYCLE HELMETS OFFERED FOR SALE OR LEASE; PRESCRIBING PENALTIES; AND AMENDING THE GIG HARBOR MUNICIPAL CODE BY CREATING A NEW CHAPTER TO BE KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS BICYCLE SAFETY AND HELMETS.

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City Council to enact laws that protect and preserve the public health, welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gig Harbor supports and encourages bicycling as a safe, clean, and healthful mode of transportation and recreation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gig Harbor seeks to minimize injuries involving bicyclists and motorists by providing information about the need for bicycle helmets, methods of bicycle safety, and existing bicycle safety programs through the City of Gig Harbor Police Department; and

WHEREAS, head injuries are a major cause of death or disability associated with the operation of a bicycle on public rights-of-way and publicly owned property; and

WHEREAS, the Harborview Injury Prevention Study has shown that bicycle helmets reduce by 85 percent the risk of head injuries suffered while operating or riding a bicycle not powered by motor, and reduce brain injury by 88 percent; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that persons operating or riding a bicycle should be required to use helmets to prevent injuries on public rights-of-way, and publicly-owned facilities under the jurisdiction of the City of Gig Harbor; and

WHEREAS, the City Council encourages bicycle-helmet programs and distribution of new helmets to low-income bicyclists, by interested groups such as the Bicycle Helmet Coalition; the "Think First" Head and Spinal Cord Injury Prevention Program, the Mary Bridge Children's Hospital and Health Center, and the Tacoma Wheelmen's Bicycle Club; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gig Harbor Police Department enforces traffic laws for non-motorized vehicles on public rights-of-way and publicly-owned facilities under the jurisdiction of the City of Gig Harbor; now therefore,

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN
AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. a new Chapter 10.22 is hereby added to the Gig Harbor Municipal Code, to read as follows:

**Chapter 10.22
BICYCLE HELMETS**

10.22.010	Purpose and Policy
10.22.020	Definitions.
10.22.030	Bicycle Helmet Required.
10.22.040	Bicycle Races and Events — Bicycle Helmet Required.
10.22.050	Bicycle Rental Lease or Loan — Bicycle Helmet Required.
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10.22.070	Penalties — Traffic Infraction.
10.22.080	Enforcement.
10.22.090	Information and Education.

10.22.010 Purpose and Policy Declared.

- A. This chapter is enacted as an exercise of the authority of the City of Gig Harbor to protect and preserve the public health, safety, and welfare. Its provisions shall be liberally construed for the accomplishment of these purposes.
- B. It is the express purpose of this chapter to provide for and to promote the health, safety, and welfare of the general public, and not to create or otherwise establish or designate any particular class or group of persons who will or should be especially protected or benefitted by the terms of this chapter.
- C. It is the specific intent of this chapter to place the obligation of complying with its requirements upon any person included within its scope, and no provision of, nor term used in, this chapter is intended to impose any duty whatsoever upon the City of Gig Harbor or any of its officers or employees for whom the implementation or enforcement of this chapter shall be discretionary and not mandatory.
- D. Nothing contained in this chapter is intended to be, nor shall be construed to create or to form the basis for, a liability on the part of the City of Gig Harbor or its officers, employees, or agents, for any injury or damage resulting from the failure of any person subject to this chapter to comply with this chapter, or by reason or in consequence of any act or omission in connection with the implementation or enforcement of this chapter on the part of the City of Gig Harbor by its officers, employees or agents.

10.22.020 Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated, unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

- A. "Bicycle" means every device propelled solely by human power upon which a person or persons may ride, having two tandem wheels either of which is sixteen inches or more in diameter, or three wheels, any one of which is more than twenty inches in diameter (RCW 46.04.071). Within this chapter, the term "bicycle" shall include any attached trailers, side cars, and/or other device being towed by a bicycle.
- B. "Guardian" means a parent, legal guardian, adult with custody, or temporary guardian, who maintains responsibility, whether voluntary or otherwise, for the safety and welfare of a person under the age of sixteen years.
- C. "Helmet" means a head covering designed for safety that meets or exceeds safety standards adopted by Standard Z-90.4 set by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), or the Snell Foundation, or such subsequently nationally-recognized standard for bicycle helmet performance as the City Council may adopt.
- D. "Public Area" means public roadways, bicycle paths, parks, or any right-of-way, publicly-owned facility, or publicly-owned property within the City of Gig Harbor.

10.22.030 Bicycle Helmet Required.

- A. Any person bicycling or riding as a bicycle passenger on or in tow of a bicycle upon any public area in the City of Gig Harbor shall wear an approved bicycle helmet, and shall have either the neck or chin strap of the helmet fastened securely while the bicycle is in motion.
- B. No person shall transport another person on or tow another person on a bicycle upon any public area in the jurisdiction of the City of Gig Harbor, unless the passenger is wearing an approved bicycle helmet.
- C. A parent or guardian is responsible for requiring that a child under the age of sixteen years wear an approved bicycle helmet, the neck or chin strap of which is fastened securely, while upon a bicycle in motion, or bicycling or riding as a passenger on a bicycle in any public area in the City of Gig Harbor.

10.22.040 Bicycle Races and Events - Bicycle Helmet Required.

- A. Any person or organization managing a bicycle race, an organized event involving bicycling, or a bicycle tour, which will take place in whole or in part in any public area in the City of Gig Harbor, shall require that all participants on or in tow of bicycles wear approved bicycle helmets, and such persons and organizations shall reject

participants who fail to comply with the provisions of this chapter.

- B. The person or organization managing any such event, race, or tour shall include the helmet requirement in any promotional brochures and on registration materials.

10.22.050 Bicycle Rental, Lease or Loan - Bicycle Helmet Required.

- A. Any person engaging in the business of renting, leasing, or loaning (e.g., "test ride") any bicycle for use in any public area in the City of Gig Harbor shall supply the person(s) renting, leasing, or using such bicycle(s) with approved bicycle helmet(s), along with the bicycles unless the bicycle riders and passengers possess approved bicycle helmets of their own, and offer proof thereof, for use with the bicycle, and further shall notify such persons of the requirements under this chapter to wear a helmet.
- B. The rental, lease, or loan documents (contract, agreement, brochure, or receipt) must advise the person renting, leasing, or using the bicycle of the helmet requirements of this chapter.
- C. It is an affirmative defense to a violation of this section for a person wearing an unapproved helmet that the helmet was furnished in conjunction with his or her rental, lease, or use of a bicycle by a person or organization engaged in the business of renting, leasing, or loaning bicycles, and that the helmet was fastened securely while bicycling.

10.22.060 Helmet Sales - Safety Standards.

- A. No person shall sell or offer for sale a helmet that does not meet or exceed the safety standards set forth in this chapter.
- B. It is a defense that the sale or offer for sale was an isolated sale of used merchandise made by an individual who was not engaged in the business of selling or repairing recreational equipment, such as a seller at a garage or rummage sale.

10.22.070 Penalties - Traffic Infraction.

- A. Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall have committed a traffic infraction and shall be liable for monetary penalties as set forth in Chapter 46.63 RCW, not to exceed \$25.00.
- B. The court may waive, reduce, or suspend the penalty and clear the notice of violation as a warning for an individual who has not received a notice of violation of this chapter within one year, and provides proof that he or she has acquired an approved bicycle helmet at the time of appearance in court.

- C. Each child under 16 not meeting the requirements of Section 3 shall represent a separate violation.
- D. Each rental and each event under Section 4 shall be a separate violation.

10.22.080 Enforcement.

- A. The Gig Harbor Police Department shall be responsible for enforcement of the provisions of this chapter.
- B. For the purpose of this chapter, law enforcement officers may at their discretion:
 - 1. Enter, during business hours, the premises of a business selling, repairing, leasing, loaning or renting bicycles or selling sporting or recreation equipment, to determine compliance with this chapter;
 - 2. Post outside the premises of a business that offers for sale, rent, lease, loan or other public purpose, a list of helmets that do not meet the safety standards of this chapter, so that the public is informed; and
 - 3. Stop a participant in a bicycle race, an organized event involving bicycling, or a bicycle tour that takes place in a public area, when there is a violation of the requirements of this chapter.

10.22.090 Information and Education.

- A. Information about the need for bicycle helmets, safe helmet use, safe bicycle operation, and bicycle safety programs is available at the City of Gig Harbor Police Department.
- B. The City of Gig Harbor encourages any person engaging in the business of selling bicycles to include information on bicycle safety and the bicycle helmet requirements of this chapter with each bicycle sold.
- C. The City of Gig Harbor encourages any person engaging in the business of selling bicycle helmets to include information on safe helmet usage with each helmet sold.

Section 2. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the chapter or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

Section 3: This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after publication of an approved summary consisting of the title.

APPROVED:

MAYOR, GRETCHEN A. WILBERT

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

CITY ADMINISTRATOR, MARK HOPPEN

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY:

BY _____

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: 7/26/96
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:
PUBLISHED:
EFFECTIVE DATE:
ORDINANCE NO. ____



City of Gig Harbor. The "Maritime City."

3105 JUDSON STREET
GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON 98335
(206) 851-8136

TO: MAYOR WILBERT AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: MARK HOPPEN, CITY ADMINISTRATOR *MH by [signature]*
SUBJECT: JUROR SERVICES CONTRACT
DATE: AUGUST 19, 1996

INFORMATION/BACKGROUND

Attached is the 1996-1997 Agreement for the Pre-Qualified Juror List. The number of pre-qualified jurors remains at 750.

FISCAL IMPACTS

The enclosed contract remains the same as last year. In the 1996 budget \$2,500 was allotted for pre-qualification expenses. The enclosed contract is for the upcoming year, and the 1997 budget.

RECOMMENDATION

Move to authorize the Mayor to sign the enclosed Juror Services Contract for 750 qualified jurors in an amount not to exceed \$2,443.75.

Superior Court
of the
State of Washington
For Pierce County

ROOM 534 COUNTY-CITY BUILDING
930 TACOMA AVENUE SOUTH
TACOMA, WASHINGTON 98402-2104
TELEPHONE (206) 591-3654

August 9, 1996

Gig Harbor Municipal Court
3105 Judson Street
Gig Harbor, WA 98335

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed please find your 1996-1997 agreement for the Pre-Qualified Juror List.

Please sign and return all three copies. One copy will be returned to you after it has been entered into the County system.

Sincerely,



Susan G. Dye
Deputy Court Administrator

*Rec'd
8-13-96
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AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT MADE AND ENTERED INTO by and between the City of Gig Harbor (City), the Municipal Court of Gig Harbor (Municipal Court), Pierce County (County), and the Superior Court of Washington in Pierce County (Superior Court).

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS City and Municipal Court desire to utilize the services of County and Superior Court in providing a list of pre-qualified jurors for Municipal Court use;

WHEREAS County and Superior Court agree to provide the desired services on the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth:

IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

(1) County and Superior Court will provide to Municipal Court a sufficient number of pre-qualified jurors as determined by Municipal Court on an annual basis. For the 1996-1997 year, the requested number of qualified jurors is 750.

(2) That Superior Court will provide the necessary jurors drawn in the same manner, procedure, and methods as done by and for Superior Court with the exception that all jurors will be drawn based upon zip codes in the locale of the Municipal Court. Superior Court will mail to each juror drawn a pre-qualification questionnaire and upon return of the questionnaire to Superior Court, Superior Court will determine whether each juror meets the criteria for qualification as a juror in Washington State.

(3) That City will pay County a fee in the sum of \$100.00 per year plus an additional \$1.25 dollars for each juror pre-qualification questionnaire mailed on behalf of Municipal Court by Superior Court. This is reimbursement for computer maintenance, data processing supplies and forms, postage and labor expenses incurred by Superior Court on behalf of Municipal Court.

(4) The total number of pre-qualification questionnaires mailed will be determined by Superior Court based upon the number of pre-qualification questionnaires historically required to yield the number of pre-qualified jurors requested by Municipal Court as contained in paragraph (1).

(5) Superior Court shall furnish City and Municipal Court an itemized statement listing the number of jurors mailed questionnaires, the number of questionnaires returned as "undeliverable," and the number of non-qualified questionnaires returned to Superior Court.

(6) This agreement shall remain in effect from September 1, 1996 until August 31, 1997. Thereafter, the parties may renew this Agreement for one year terms beginning September 1 and ending August 31 until the Agreement is terminated. The City shall give notice of intent to renew at least sixty (60) days prior to the termination date.

(7) Either party may terminate this Agreement by giving written notice of not less than ninety (90) days to the other party.

(8) That upon non-renewal or termination of the Agreement by either party, Superior Court will furnish to Municipal Court on September 1 of each year a list prospective jurors drawn in the same manner, procedure, and methods as done by and for Superior Court with the exception that all jurors for Municipal Court will be drawn based upon zip codes in the locale of the Municipal Court.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement this _____ day of _____, 19__.

MUNICIPALITY

PIERCE COUNTY

Catherine M. Washburne 8-13-96
Court Administrator Date

[Signature] 8/9/96
Department Director Date

City Attorney Date

Prosecuting Attorney Date

Mayor Date

Budget and Finance Date



MITCH BARKER
Chief of Police

City of Gig Harbor Police Dept.
3105 JUDSON STREET
GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON 98335
(206) 851-2236

DATE: August 12, 1996

TO: Mayor Wilbert
Council Members
City Administrator

FROM: Mitch Barker

SUBJECT: Computer Purchase

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

The 1996 budget includes \$10,000 for two laptop computers to improve reporting and dispatch efficiency. The supporting software/radio link capabilities are not in place for this system and probably won't be for another 1-2 years. Therefore, we will not be purchasing the in-car hardware in 1996.

Currently we have only two in-station computers for use by the Sergeant, Lieutenant and all other officers. One of these computers is an old generation model and is unacceptably slow. I would prefer to purchase two new desk top computer terminals, for approximately \$2500 each, and defer purchasing computers for patrol cars until the communications technology and dispatch support is in place.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Council approve the purchase of two desktop computers in place of the laptop computers specified in the budget.

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WASHINGTON STATE LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

DATE: 8/02/96

LICENSED ESTABLISHMENTS IN INCORPORATED AREAS CITY OF GIG HARBOR
FOR EXPIRATION DATE OF 10/31/96

LICENSEE	BUSINESS NAME AND ADDRESS	LICENSE NUMBER	CLASSES
1 THE BARTELL DRUG COMPANY	BARTELL DRUG COMPANY #39 5500 OLYMPIC DR GIG HARBOR WA 98335 0000	077055	E F
2 THE GIG HARBOR YACHT CLUB	THE GIG HARBOR YACHT CLUB 8209 STINSON AVE GIG HARBOR WA 98335 0000	077100	H

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CITY OF GIG HARBOR

Attention:

Enclosed is a listing of liquor licensees presently operating establishments in your jurisdiction whose licenses expire on OCTOBER 31, 1996. Applications for renewal of these licenses for the upcoming year are at this time being forwarded to the current operators.

As provided in law, before the Washington State Liquor Control Board shall issue a license, notice regarding the application must be provided the chief executive officer of the incorporated city or town or the board of county commissioners if the location is outside the boundaries of an incorporated city or town.

Your comments and recommendations regarding the approval or disapproval for the enclosed listed licensees would be appreciated. If no response is received, it will be assumed that you have no objection to the reissuance of the license to the applicants and locations listed. In the event of disapproval of the applicant or the location or both, please identify by location and file number and submit a statement of all facts upon which such objections are based (please see RCW 66.24.010(8)). If you disapprove then the Board shall contemplate issuing said license, let us know if you desire a hearing before final action is taken.

In the event of an administrative hearing, you or your representative will be expected to present evidence in support of your objections to the renewal of the liquor license. The applicant would presumably want to present evidence in opposition to the objections and in support of the application. The final determination whether to grant or deny the license would be made by the Board after reviewing the record of the administrative hearing.

If applications for new licenses are received for persons other than those specified on the enclosed notices, or applications for transfer of licenses are received by the Board between now and OCTOBER 31, 1996, your office will be notified on an individual case basis.

Your continued assistance and cooperation in these licensing matters is greatly appreciated by the Liquor Control Board.

LESTER C. DALRYMPLE, Supervisor
License Division
Enclosures

MAYOR OF GIG HARBOR
3105 JUDSON ST
GIG HARBOR

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MAYOR'S REPORT

August 26, 1996

History Keeps Ringing My Bell Even After the 50th

The date was August 6th when my 13 year old granddaughter, Nona Lambert, received a phone call from the Washington State Historical Society Events Chairman asking her if she would be able to be present on Saturday, August 10th to assist Governor Lowry in the ribbon cutting for the new State Museum in Tacoma. Nona and the Governor had broken ground together for the new museum two years earlier as a result of Nona's award-winning essay on "What a Museum Should Be."

Following the ceremony, a group of us stood overlooking the new amphitheatre and the Tacoma commercial fishing fleet on the Thea Foss Waterway. We talked about the concerns for the commercial fishing industry and what might happen to the vintage boats in the Gig Harbor fleet as well as Tacoma's, and we pondered the question "Could they be kept in service with a new mission as a passenger carrying mosquito fleet for short runs?" We also wondered whether employees working in downtown Tacoma and living on the Peninsula would rather go to work by boat than endure the frustrations of the highways and bridge.

I found myself reflecting on the previous conversations with Pierce and Kitsap Transit executives to provide alternative transportation land connection opportunities, including cross-sound marine transportation. It can be done not only on the Thea Foss Waterway, but also the Northern runs from Southworth, Vashon, Bremerton, Bainbridge, and south from Devil's Head to Olympia using mosquito fleets for the short runs, and hovercrafts for the longer ones as suggested to me by George Russell, Jr. at the museum reception on August 9th.

Three days earlier, Jon and Kae Paterson invited a few of us to cruise on their former Foss tug "Joe". It took us about an hour to travel from Gig Harbor to the 11th Street Bridge at the Thea Foss Waterway, where we could see the stairway that leads from Dock Street to 'A' Street.

The last of the Skansie fishing fleet is moored in the heart of Gig Harbor. We asked ourselves whether the "Genius" could find a new life in bringing a pleasant ride to Tacoma for many passengers. The "Genius", built in 1920, is for sale and owner Gerald Crosby thinks \$60,000 would be a fair price. However, in the 50 minute video featuring Gerald Crosby and Vincie Skansie being interviewed by Lee Makovich and Mike Vlahovich, he says "Make me an offer." They are joined by Gerald's daughter, Carol, and granddaughter, and Antone Skansie. Antone tells us he fished on only one boat his whole life, the "Avalon". The "Avalon" was once the focal point of the harbor scene, but now is tied up in Bellingham, secured with government stickers covering her. How sad.

The Gig Harbor community is beginning to awaken to the importance of the historic elements within the community that give character to this place where we have all chosen to live. The questions I hope will be addressed are "Are these historic elements worth saving? Are there individuals in the community willing to step forward and work toward organizing a non-profit foundation to seek funds to once again breath life into the 'Genius' before it is too late?"

This would be a citizen project, not a government driven effort. However, government can be a partner with the citizens in requesting assistance in funding from a variety of sources.

The project would be dedicated to preserving history and the important saga of the fishing industry. I may not see the results of the effort in my lifetime, but Gerald Crosby's granddaughter might. I'd like to share with you a paragraph from my granddaughter's essay on history. At age 11 Nona wrote...

"I must add one more paragraph on how history affects me today. Take the Columbia River for example. To help Washington during the Great Depression, President Roosevelt had dams built along the river. Obviously he didn't think much about the salmon, because now in the 90's, it affects today's salmon, and today's people who have to find a solution. Everyone needs to learn about these issues, especially the children, because we might actually end up finding the solution."

If, as you read this report, you find an interest in working on the "Genius" project to help find solutions, please give me a call at 851-8136. A leader will need to emerge from within the interested group of volunteers. You are invited to view the video of the interview with the Skansies and Gerald Crosby. The conference room at City Hall is available for your viewing pleasure anytime the room is not otherwise occupied.

I'm grateful to Marvin Nauman of High Sierra Video Productions for volunteering his time and professional talent in capturing these historic interviews on video tape and to the Skansies and Crosbys for sharing their memories.