



CITY OF
SUMNER
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CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
City Hall – 1104 Maple Street
January 16, 2024 6:00 PM

The city conducted this public meeting using a hybrid model, in-person and on the Zoom platform.

Staff present: Wilson, Marquez, Beagle, Windish, Kosa, Moericke, Palmer, Barber, Raymond, Steffens, Leach, Barry and Converse

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SUMNER CITY COUNCIL WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR HAYDEN AT 6:00PM.

CALL TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

Roll Call: Bitetto, Bowman, Brown, Cole, Elfers and Stuard

CONSENT AGENDA

MOVED BY COLE SECONDED BY BITETTO TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA CONSISTING OF:

1. Public Defense Contract Approval
2. Resolution No. 1665 - Rejecting All Bids for CIP 21-11: Maple St Pedestrian Signals
3. Resolution No. 1666 - Heritage Park & Hops Alley Design - Pierce County LTAC Grant Acceptance
4. Tacoma Ave Overlay and Intersection - Contract Award for Design
5. Labor Agreement with Sumner Police Guild representing Non-Commissioned and Specialty Commissioned Employees
6. Labor Agreement with Sumner Police Guild Representing Commissioned Employees
7. Approval of the minutes from the January 2, 2024, regular council meeting and the 8th of January 2024, study session

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

PUBLIC HEARING

None was scheduled.

REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business tonight.

2. Public Comment

Randall Adams of 63rd Street Court East. Spoke about the Ryan House.

Nick Bierman spoke about the Ryan House.

Paul Romish – Puyallup, WA. Spoke about several topics including bike lanes and a potential tripping hazard along the Sounder tracks.

3. New Business

a. Forestry & Parks Commissioner Appointment

MOVED BY ELFERS SECONDED BY COLE TO APPROVE THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF JOHN GAMON TO THE FORESTRY AND PARKS COMMISSION TO A TERM EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2027.

Community Services Manager Derek Barry addressed the council and introduced Mr. Gamon.

Mr. Gamon spoke to the council and is looking forward to contributing to the commission.

PASSED BY ROLL CALL VOTE.

b. Ordinance No. 2879 - 2024 Compensation Schedule Appointment

MOVED BY BOWMAN SECONDED BY ELFERS TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2879 – 2024 COMPENSATION SCHEDULE.

Administrative Services Director Jeff Steffens addressed the council.

PASSED BY ROLL CALL VOTE.

c. Substitute Ordinance No. 2875 – Utility Rate Adjustments

MOVED BY STUARD SECONDED BY COLE TO ADOPT SUBSTITUTE ORDINANCE NO. 2875 – UTILITY RATE ADJUSTMENTS.

Associate City Engineer Andrew Leach spoke on the topic.

Discussion ensued.

PASSED BY ROLL CALL VOTE.

4. Reports

a. Council

Councilmembers Bowman, Brown and Deputy Mayor Cole had nothing to report tonight.

Councilmember Elfers thanked Mr. Gamon for serving on the Parks & Forestry Commission.

Councilmember Stuard thanked Mr. Gamon for serving on the Parks & Forestry Commission. He reminded the public of the opening on the Council.

Councilmember Bitetto reminded the public of the upcoming special levy for the school district and how important it is to vote.

b. **City Administrator**

City Administrator Jason Wilson reported on the following:

Upcoming Policy Issues:

- January 22nd – Study Session
 - 2024 Refuse and Recycling Rates
 - Community Partners Fund Recipient Presentations
- January 29th – Special Study Session
 - City Facilities Update
 - Interlocal Agreement with Bonney Lake for Wastewater Treatment
- February 5th – Regular Council Meeting
 - Resolution establishing the 2024 Refuse and Recycling Rates
 - Resolution for the Interlocal Agreement with Bonney Lake for Wastewater Treatment
 - Operations Facility Construction Management Contract
- February 5th – Special Study Session
 - Essential Public Facilities zoning code amendment

Personnel Issues:

- With Mike Dahlem’s retirement becoming official last week, Public Works Director Michael Kosa has completed a minor reorganization of the department to better meet functional management needs.
 - The City Engineer position, previously held by Mr. Kosa, has been retitled to Deputy Public Works Director of Engineering, and Alisa O’Haver-Ayala has been promoted to that position. This position will oversee the engineering division of Public Works.
 - Additionally, the city hired Ryan Johnstone as the Public Works Deputy Director of Operations. This position will oversee the Wastewater Treatment Facility and Field Operations divisions. Ryan comes to us from the City of Bonney Lake where is currently the Public Services Director. Ryan’s first day will be January 31st.

Policy Follow-Up:

- Legislative Update
 - SB6173 signed as pro: Changes allowed uses for 1406 funds increasing from 60%AMI to 80%

Miscellaneous:

- The City continues to accept applications to fill the current council vacancy. More information can be found on the City’s website. Applications are due February 1st at 5pm.
Last Friday Alyssa Leach plead guilty to Arson in the 1st degree for our downtown fire that occurred in October of 2022. Ms. Leach will be sentenced this Friday. The Mayor and I will both be speaking at her sentencing hearing, in support of the prosecutor’s recommended 36-month sentence.

c. **Mayor**

Mayor Hayden thanked staff for their extra work through the cold weather. Public Works have been treating our roads with de-icer and our new Emergency Management Coordinator Evan Brazitis has been working within the community to establish warming shelters and getting information on county-wide resources for our staff to have. She ended her comments by thanking the Police who continue serving our community no matter what the temperature is and to stay warm.

5. **Executive Session**

There was none tonight.

6. **Adjournment**

With no other matters before the Council, Mayor Hayden adjourned the meeting at 6:29pm. Councilmembers concurred.

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