

**CITY OF SUMNER
Council Meeting
Minutes – August 2, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER

The Sumner City Council met in regular session at 6:00pm, with Mayor William L. Pugh presiding. City Hall remains closed during Governor Inslee's "Washington Ready" order, a consequence of the Covid-19 pandemic. The Mayor, Council and staff members attended through ZOOM either telephonically or through their computer. The public was allowed to attend via ZOOM, PCTV livestream and by telephone.

Staff present via electronic device: City Administrator Jason Wilson, City Attorney Andrea Marquez, Community Development Director Ryan Windish, Public Works Director Mike Dahlem, Administrative Services Director Jeff Steffens, Chief Financial Officer Cassandra Raymond, and City Clerk Michelle Converse.

Mayor and Councilmembers present via electronic device: Mayor Bill Pugh, Councilmembers Bitetto, Hamilton, Hayden, Hochstatter, Neuman and Reed. Absent was Councilmember Brown.

MOVED BY NEUMAN SECONDED BY REED TO EXCUSE COUNCILMEMBER BROWN FROM TONIGHT'S MEETING.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the minutes from the regular council meeting of the July 19, 2021 and July 26, 2021 study session.
2. Approval of checks / electronic payments in the amount of \$1,979,541.61

MOVED BY HAYDEN SECONDED BY HOCHSTATTER TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

PUBLIC HEARING

One was not scheduled tonight.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None tonight.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None tonight.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 2786 – Amending 2021/2022 Biennial Budget

MOVED BY REED SECONDED BY NEUMAN TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2786 – AMENDING 2021/2022 Biennial Budget.

Chief Financial Officer Kassandra Raymond addressed the Council.

The 2nd Quarter Budget Amendment for the 2021/2022 Biennial Budget includes several items:

1. Recognize the receipt of \$2,910,676 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds over the biennium. This amendment recognizes the revenue only; use of the ARPA funding will be programmed through separate City Council action at a future date.
2. In early June the city was notified by the Sumner Main Street Association (SMSA) that they would not be holding Rhubarb Days in 2021. This action constituted a breach of our MOA for event sponsorship with SMSA. The City terminated the agreement with the SMSA. The attached budget amendment ordinance removes \$26,250 of financial sponsorship and \$10,000 of special event services credit from the budget, and reallocates a portion (\$6,500) to the Cultural Arts Commission. The Cultural Arts Commission will use the additional funds to add a fourth mural to their 2021 mural project, host two Nights on Ryan events and bring back an in person component to the annual chalk art festival. The net change to the General Fund balance is \$29,750.
3. Appropriate funding to add an Associate City Engineer to the Public Works Department. This position will primarily support the White River Restoration project, and be funded 85% from the Stormwater Fund. The remaining funding will be split between the General Fund (Streets), Water, and Sewer Administration. The position was included in the 2020 Utility Rate Model, and would have an anticipated start date of September 2021. The total cost for 2021 (4 months) is \$57,809 and for 2022 (12 months) \$180,994.
4. Appropriate \$159,000 in Legal Services: This action appropriates the remaining contract balance between the City and Cairncross & Hempelmann for legal services related to the sale of the Sumner Meadows Golf Course.
5. Appropriate \$85,000 over the biennium for the implementation of a body-worn camera program.
6. Recognize \$600,000 revenue for the FHWA grant supporting the 166th Ave improvements. The total grant award of \$1,219,650 was accepted at the June 21, 2021 City Council meeting. The remainder of the grant award will be programmed in the upcoming biennium.
7. Appropriate \$27,000 for the acquisition of a concrete loader for PW Operations;
8. Appropriate \$111,352 in WWTF Capital. This action appropriates the remaining contract balance for the Biosolids Improvement Project remaining at 12/31/2020.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

Resolution No. 1588 – Interlocal Agreement – South Sound Housing Affordability Partners (SSHA³P)

MOVED BY HAYDEN SECONDED BY HOCHSTATTER TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT.

Community Development Director Ryan Windish addressed the Council.

The Interlocal Agreement (ILA) is between Pierce County, cities, towns, and tribes and would result in the creation and operation of an organization known as the South Sound Housing Affordability Partners (SSHA³P). SSHA³P would operate under the common goal to ensure the availability of housing that meets the needs of residents and workers at all income levels in Pierce County, including but not limited to families, veterans, and seniors; and to eliminate housing inequities for all races, ethnicities and other vulnerable or marginalized communities and geographic locations in Pierce County. The City would be a partner and as a result also receive consultation and services related to the creation and adoption of policies to further affordable housing opportunities within the City and Pierce County. Further, this organization would also be responsible for purchasing, constructing, and managing affordable housing developments within Pierce County. This is similar to other organizations both in King and Snohomish Counties that have had success in actually developing and managing affordable housing units.

The ILA would commit the City to providing funding to SSHA³P in the future at a rate based on the city's population and the number of participating jurisdictions and other funding such as grants. The city's portion of the funding shown in the 2.5 year estimate ranges from \$5,000-\$5,500 annually. The source of these funds could come from the HB1406 funding that is a credit from the state portion of the state sales tax that can be used to assist in creating more affordable housing.

Discussion ensued.

Passed by voice vote.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmembers Reed, Neuman, Hamilton, Hochstatter and Deputy Mayor Hayden had no reports tonight.

Councilmember Bitetto reminded everyone who hasn't been vaccinated against COVID-19 to wear a mask.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

City Administrator Jason Wilson updated the council on the following:

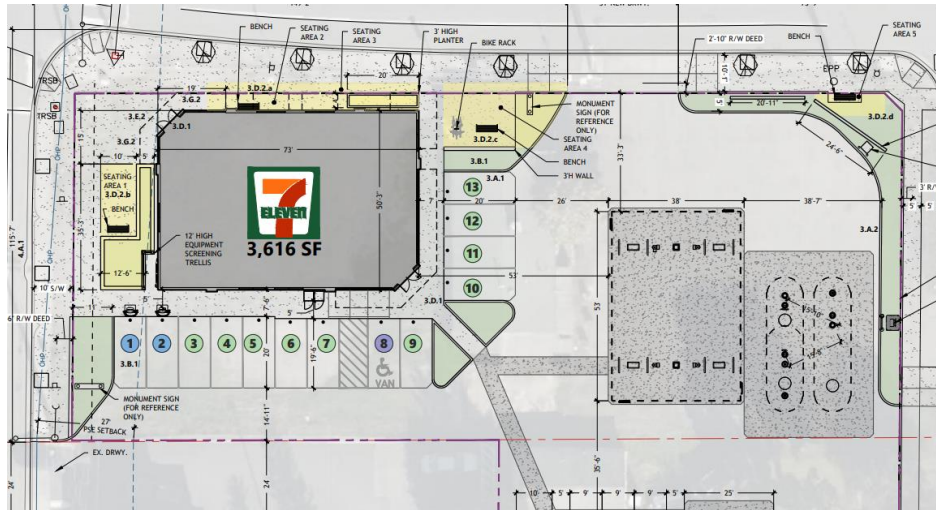
Upcoming Policy Issues:

- Next Week's Study Session
 - 147th & 74th Neighborhood Traffic Study
- Next Regular Council Meeting on August 2nd
 - Public Hearing for the Main Street East Property Surplus
 - Ordinance amending code regarding Department Director Authority (Clean-Up)
 - Ordinance allocating ARPA funds

Commission Updates:

- Design Commission: In July the commission reviewed and approved with conditions three significant projects:

- The Nemeth mixed use project includes construction of 105 apartments and approximately 7,350 sf of ground-floor retail on a 3.7-acre vacant site. Development will include on-site parking lot, creation of on-street parking stalls, public trail, open space, utilities, plaza and landscaping.
- Kincaid Ave Apartments (Red Apple) project includes 180 residential units, 4,600 sf of commercial space, structured parking, landscaping, outdoor seating, frontage improvements.
- 7-11 (Valley/Main) construction of a new 7-11 convenience store and fuel station, project will include parking, cross access corridor construction and dedication, landscaping, utilities and pedestrian spaces.



The two residential projects are nearly complete with SEPA, building permits should follow shortly thereafter. The 7-11 will be submitting SEPA and for a CUP, with building permits likely to follow.

Personnel Issues:

- The City is currently recruiting for two vacant public works operators. Other positions being reviewed include an associate engineer or project manager.
- We are nearing completion of the Deputy City Attorney recruitment and hope to make a job offer later this week.
- Andrew McCurdy was hired as the new Deputy Chief of Police. He started today, and his swearing in ceremony will be held next Monday at 4pm in the council chambers. Council is welcome to

Miscellaneous:

- The next two Saturdays the Cultural Arts Commission will be hosting Nights on Ryan from 6-9pm.
- This Sunday SMSA is hosting Classy Chassis along Main Street from 10am-3pm.
- The Sumner Main Street Association is holding their annual Garden Social and volunteer appreciation event on Thursday August 12th from 5-7:30pm at the VanLierop Garden Market. Please let me know if you plan on attending the event so we can provide public notice as appropriate.
- The City is working with WSDOT to coordinate the closure of northbound SR167 for expansion work. This project has been in the works for several years, with much advanced planning occurring earlier this year. WSDOT is anticipating the full closure of NB SR 167 the weekend of August 21-22nd. The detour routes are Traffic Ave and Sumner Tapps Highway. Undoubtedly traffic will not be contained to the detours, and we anticipate significant traffic impacts on all arterials in and around Sumner that weekend. WSDOT will be hiring several off-duty officers to help with traffic management along the detour routes. Additional information will be shared with

the community as we are notified by WSDOT. We are aware of a conflict with the Cruise In Event and will be meeting with the event organizers and sponsor this week to discuss alternatives.

MAYOR REPORT

Mayor Pugh attended the Puyallup Sumner Chambers Annual Economic Luncheon last week. Community Development Director Ryan Windish addressed the luncheon with a report on what was happening in Sumner. Mr. Windish did an excellent job and Mayor Pugh thanked him for that.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

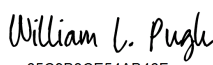
There was none scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Council, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:35pm. Councilmembers concurred.

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