

CITY OF BELLEVUE
CITY COUNCIL

Summary Minutes of Regular Session

June 4, 2018
8:00 PM

Council Chamber
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Mayor Chelminiak, Deputy Mayor Robinson, and Councilmembers Nieuwenhuis, Robertson, Stokes, and Zahn

ABSENT: Councilmember Lee

1. Call to Order

Mayor Chelminiak called the meeting to order at 8:02 p.m.

2. Roll Call, Flag Salute

Mayor Chelminiak noted Councilmember Lee's excused absence. Councilmember Nieuwenhuis led the flag salute.

(a) World Elder Abuse Awareness Day Proclamation

Mayor Chelminiak read the proclamation recognizing June 15, 2018, as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day in Bellevue.

Diana Thompson, representing the Bellevue Network on Aging, thanked the Council for the proclamation. She noted that the United Nations established the day to encourage people to recognize the problem of elder abuse, which includes physical and emotional abuse, sexual abuse, and financial abuse. She said reports of elder abuse to Adult Protective Services have increased from 14,000 cases in 2009 to 49,000 cases in 2017. She shared examples of financial scams that target older and more vulnerable adults, and urged everyone to become familiar with the signs of elder abuse. The Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) toll-free hotline to report suspected abuse is 1-866-END-HARM (363-4276), or call Adult Protective Services at 206-341-7660. Call 911 in an emergency. Ms. Thompson thanked the Council for recognizing the needs and safety of senior adults.

Mayor Chelminiak thanked Ms. Thompson and the Bellevue Network on Aging for all they do within the community.

3. Approval of Agenda

- Deputy Mayor Robinson moved to approve the agenda, amended to move Agenda Item 8(h) to Agenda Item 11(a) for discussion and consideration. Councilmember Stokes seconded the motion.
- The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

4. Communications: Written and Oral

- (a) Jennifer Keller, a Lake Hills resident, thanked the Council for its past actions on climate change issues. She encouraged the City to develop a climate action plan and noted others in the audience who share her concerns about extreme storms, forest fires, and other consequences of climate change. She thanked the City for participating in the King County-Cities Climate Collaboration (K4C) and for the City's efforts related to measuring emissions, converting to LED street lights, and energy efficiency measures related to municipal facilities and vehicle fleets.
- (b) Gwen Hanson, a Bellevue homeowner and business owner, thanked the City for its ongoing efforts to create bike lanes and trails. She encouraged the City to sign an agreement supporting the Citizens' Climate Lobby proposal for a national carbon fee and dividend, which has bipartisan support as well as support from fossil fuel companies. She commended the City's efforts to preserve and expand its tree canopy. She expressed concern that Puget Sound Energy (PSE) is removing many trees in the community. She noted members of the audience who are ready to help the City develop a climate action plan.
- (c) Marisa Mestichella, a high school senior at the International School, noted the relationship of climate change to forest fires, flooding, extreme weather, and the salmon population. She thanked the City for its participation in the K4C regional efforts but expressed concern that Bellevue is not on track to meet its 2020 goal for greenhouse gas emissions. She encouraged the City to develop a climate action plan.
- (d) Michelle Wannamaker said she attended the recent meeting of the Transportation Commission. She expressed concern that one of the Eastgate transportation projects had been deferred for three years. She said her research of Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) projects found no indication that any of their projects would affect the City's 150th Avenue project at the I-90 interchange. She asked staff to provide proof that the 150th Avenue/37th Street project needs to be placed on hold and, if so, whether the full project must be deferred.
- (e) Heath Hayden, a librarian at Bellevue College and Chair of the LGBTQ Task Force, highlighted a number of activities and initiatives, and invited the Council and the public to attend a Pride event at the college on Tuesday, June 12, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

- (f) Sapan Parekh, Associate Director of the Rise Learning Institute at Bellevue College and a member of the LGBTQ Task Force, said he appreciates the inclusiveness of the Bellevue community. He invited everyone to the community Pride event on June 12 at the college. He noted that the college has more than 12,000 full-time students and serves more than 35,000 individuals annually. He said the City and the Bellevue Police Department will have tables at the event.
 - (g) Putter Bert, KidsQuest Children's Museum, thanked the Council for its ongoing support and noted upcoming events.
 - (h) David Hoffman, Puget Sound Energy (PSE), announced that the tax relief bill will enable PSE to implement a slight rate decrease on customers' electric bills. He encouraged customers to join PSE's Green Power Program to support the use of alternative energy sources.
 - (i) Don Marsh said PSE's rate decrease is good news. He noted that he has participated in the Green Power Program since its inception. However, he is concerned that PSE's use of fossil fuels has actually increased. He would like assurance that PSE will directly use the funds to develop alternative energy sources.
 - (j) Marlene Meyer said she appreciates the City's commitment to environmental issues. She acknowledged the challenge of balancing the priorities of business and development with environmental initiatives. She said we all need to be concerned about our water, air, and overall environment. She encouraged working with PSE. She expressed concern regarding plastic waste in bodies of water, styrofoam usage in restaurants, recycling, and energy conservation.
5. Reports of Community Council, Boards and Commissions: None.
6. Report of the City Manager
- (a) Name Change for Planning and Community Development Department

[Item moved to earlier Study Session.]

- (b) Boys and Girls Clubs of Bellevue 2018 Youth of the Year Award

City Manager Brad Miyake welcomed staff and guests to introduce the Boys and Girls Clubs of Bellevue 2018 Youth of the Year.

Helena Stephens, Family, Youth and Teen Services Program Manager, said the City has been in partnership with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Bellevue for nearly 25 years. She said there are a number of BGCB locations in Bellevue including the Downtown Club, Lake Hills Club, three King County Housing Authority sites, school sites, Crossroads Community Center, and South Bellevue Community Center. In 2017, the partnership served more than 2,800 youth and teens with 36,000 youth visits to BGCB facilities.

Masao Yamada, BGCB, introduced Yana Shabanov, the 2018 Youth of the Year. At the statewide Youth of the Year competition, she also received the Cooperative Spirit Award for her community service. Ms. Shabanov accumulated 674 community service hours in her senior year and an estimated 1,700 hours throughout high school.

Noting a difficult home life, Ms. Shabanov described how the Boys and Girls Club provides support and leadership opportunities. She initiated an anti-bullying campaign that was recently featured on King 5 TV's "New Day Northwest" program. She said her involvement in the Club's Keystone program has been the most important experience in her life, and the community service activities have enabled her to escape the negative aspects of her home. Following graduation, Ms. Shabanov will pursue a degree in Clinical Social Work, with a primary focus on youth.

Mayor Chelminiak thanked Ms. Shabanov for her community service and for sharing her story. He noted that her comments were some of the most compelling testimony he has heard before the City Council. He thanked her for improving the community and for fighting for others.

- (c) Update on New Online Access to Bellevue City Code and Land Use Code

[Item moved to earlier Study Session.]

- (d) Bellevue Convention Center Authority (BCCA) Board Appointment

[Item moved to earlier Study Session.]

- (e) Interrelationship between Puget Sound Energy project and City Non-Motorized Improvement Plans on SE 16th Street (148th Avenue SE to 156th Avenue SE)

[Memo provided in meeting packet in response to public comment made during the May 21, 2018 Regular Session.]

7. Council Business and New Initiatives

Councilmember Nieuwenhuis recommended the appointment of Ling Zhuang to the Environmental Services Commission. Mr. Nieuwenhuis noted her involvement with the Spiritridge Elementary School PTSA and the Bellevue Essentials program, as well as her professional experience with Seattle Public Utilities and Seattle City Light.

- Councilmember Nieuwenhuis moved to appoint Ling Zhuang to the Environmental Services Commission, to serve a partial term expiring on May 31, 2021. Councilmember Stokes seconded the motion.
- The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

8. Consent Calendar

- Deputy Mayor Robinson moved to approve the Consent Calendar, amended to move Agenda Item 8(h) to Item 11(a). Councilmember Stokes seconded the motion.
- The motion to approve the Consent Calendar, as amended, carried by a vote of 6-0, and the following items were approved:
 - (a) Council Minutes
Minutes of May 14, 2018 Extended Study Session
Minutes of May 21, 2018 Study Session
Minutes of May 21, 2018 Regular Session
 - (b) Resolution No. 9412 authorizing execution of an amendment to the professional services agreement with Stantec Consulting, Inc. for engineering services for Midlakes Pump Station Capacity Improvements, Final Design and Construction Services Amendment No. 1, in the amount of \$185,235.20, plus all applicable taxes (CIP Plan No. S-61).
 - (c) Resolution No. 9413 authorizing execution of a professional services agreement with BHC Consultants for Engineering Services for the final design, bidding and construction phase services for the Cougar Mountain #3 Pump Station Rehabilitation, in an amount not to exceed \$128,855, plus all applicable taxes (CIP Plan No. W-91).
 - (d) Resolution No. 9414 determining that portions of two sewer easements and one water easement, as well as the entirety of one sewer easement and three water easements, all located at 13351 Southeast 32nd Street (Factoria Recycling Transfer Station), are surplus to the City's needs and are no longer required for providing continued public utility service; and setting a time and place for a public hearing to consider the partial release and full release of these easements.
 - (e) Resolution No. 9415 determining that a portion of an existing water easement located at 11959 Northup Way is surplus to the City's needs and is no longer required for providing continued public utility service; and setting a time and place for a public hearing to consider the partial release of this easement.
 - (f) Resolution No. 9416 authorizing execution of a purchase agreement with Sonsray Machinery, LLC for the purchase of one new Case 580N tractor loader backhoe for the Parks and Community Services Department Municipal Golf Course, in an amount not to exceed \$100,899.33 exclusive of applicable taxes.
 - (g) Resolution No. 9417 authorizing execution of a professional service agreement with OptiRTC, Inc. in the amount of \$110,250, plus all applicable taxes, for the Automation of Stormwater Detention Ponds Using Smart Technology.
 - (i) Resolution No. 9419 authorizing execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Bohlin Cywinski Jackson for design services for Fire Station 10 in the

amount not to exceed \$2,296,864.00, plus all applicable taxes, and design services for Fire Station 5 in the amount not to exceed \$1,685,141.00, plus all applicable taxes, and repealing Resolution No. 9375.

9. Public Hearings

- (a) Initial Public Hearing on the 2019-2020 Operating Budget and 2019-2025 Capital Investment Program (CIP) Plan

Toni Call, Finance Director, said this is the first of three public hearings on the 2019-2020 Operating Budget and the 2019-2025 Capital Investment Program (CIP) Plan. Additional public hearings will be held in July and this fall, and budget information is available on the City's website. She noted that oral and written communications may be submitted to the City Council at any time, and the public may email FinanceDepartment@bellevuewa.gov for information as well.

- Deputy Mayor Robinson moved to open the public hearing, and Councilmember Stokes seconded the motion.
- The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

City Clerk Kyle Stannert noted that three emails received over the weekend with comments regarding the budget were included in the Council's desk packet this evening.

The following individuals came forward to comment:

1. Pamela Johnston thanked the Council for its support of high-quality buildable and natural environments. She wants to ensure there is transparency and collaboration in the neighborhood planning efforts. She encouraged moving forward with activities to preserve and expand the tree canopy. She noted the need for park development in the Bridle Trails and Newport Hills areas. Ms. Johnston encouraged the Council to provide adequate funds for staff to engage in public outreach. She would like to see all public meetings listed on the calendar. She asked the City to consider budgeting additional staff support for the Council.
 2. Court Olson urged the City to bolster its commitment to the King County-Cities Climate Collaboration (K4C) initiatives. He encouraged the Council and City staff to engage outside expertise to help create a thorough plan for reducing greenhouse gas emissions. He suggested coordinating with other cities to fund the appropriate consultant.
- Deputy Mayor Robinson moved to close the public hearing, and Councilmember Stokes seconded the motion.
 - The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

10. Land Use: None.

11. Other Ordinances, Resolutions and Motions

(a) Agenda Item 8(h) from Consent Calendar

Resolution No. 9418 authorizing the execution of Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with David Evans and Associates in the amount of \$233,385.00, plus all applicable taxes, for a total contract amount of \$748,883.00 to complete the final design and prepare the construction contract documents for the 150th Avenue SE at SE Newport Way project (CIP Plan No. PW-R-198).

Transportation Director Dave Berg said the 150th Avenue SE/SE Newport Way project is funded by the neighborhood transportation levy approved by the voters in November 2016. He recalled that the City conducted an initial traffic analysis of that intersection and the intersection at 150th Avenue SE/SE 37th Street to determine whether some of the project elements could be completed through the levy. He said the focus was on southbound traffic during the evening peak period, recognizing that the 150th Avenue SE/SE Newport Way intersection is the primary bottleneck on the corridor.

In the fall of 2017, the Council authorized a consultant contract to achieve 60-percent design for both projects. During that time, the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) was developing an auxiliary lane project on I-90 between the Eastgate area and Issaquah. Mr. Berg said staff recommends pausing the City's project to ensure that the City is connecting the WSDOT analysis and that project's benefits with the City's roadway improvements.

Mr. Berg recalled that the Council authorized the broader Eastgate transportation study in March, which will explore near-term and long-term transportation improvements in the corridor between the Factoria and Eastgate areas. That study will enable the City to better align its projects with WSDOT's analysis and project. Mr. Berg said the next Transportation Commission meeting on June 14 will be held at the South Bellevue Community Center and will initiate the broader transportation study. He said the year-long study will better inform the City's plans for the two intersections on 150th Avenue SE.

Mr. Berg said a project website will become active by early July to provide updated public information.

Referring to comments earlier by Ms. Wannamaker, Mr. Berg said the City is not canceling, or delaying for three years, the 150th Avenue SE/SE 37th Street project. The project will be paused for one year and staff will be prepared to proceed with a final design that will provide the best integration with WSDOT's I-90 project at that time.

Councilmember Robertson thanked Mr. Berg for the clarification of the project status. Responding to Ms. Robertson, Mr. Berg said the roadway improvements are funded through the neighborhood transportation levy, which allocates money on an annual basis. Mr. Berg said staff wants to move forward with the traffic study in order to determine the priority project elements.

Councilmember Robertson asked staff to return to the Council this summer to provide an update on how the City's transportation improvements will fit with WSDOT's plans. She would like to move individual project elements forward as quickly as possible. However, she wants to ensure that the City provides the best possible overall project. Ms. Robertson expressed support for the resolution.

Councilmember Zahn thanked staff for scheduling the Transportation Commission meeting at the South Bellevue Community Center. She concurred with Councilmember Robertson's request that staff consider whether certain project elements can begin moving forward in the near-term. Ms. Zahn expressed support for the resolution.

Responding to Mayor Chelminiak, Mr. Berg said the levy provides \$2 million annually for neighborhood transportation projects. Mr. Berg said the use of levy funds completes the 60-percent design work, which typically makes projects eligible for grant funding. He said the City could potentially use levy funds to match grant funding. Responding to Mayor Chelminiak, Mr. Berg said 60-percent design has been completed for both of the intersection projects, and levy funds will be used to complete final design.

Mr. Chelminiak said that, given the delay of the project, he would like to know the options for other projects that can be completed with levy funds in other parts of the community. Mr. Berg said staff is exploring areas citywide where smaller-scale, near-term congestion relief projects can provide the most benefit.

→ Councilmember Robertson moved to approve Resolution No. 9418, and Deputy Mayor Robinson seconded the motion.

→ The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

12. Unfinished Business: None.

13. Continued Oral Communications: None.

14. New Business: None.

15. Executive Session: None.

16. Adjournment

At 9:20 p.m., Mayor Chelminiak declared the meeting adjourned.

Kyle Stannert, CMC
City Clerk

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