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Location: Bonney Lake Justice Center, 9002 Main Street East, Bonney Lake, Washington.

I. CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Neil Johnson, Jr. called the workshop to order at 5:31 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL:
Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Harwood Edvalson called the roll. Elected officials attending were Mayor Neil Johnson, Jr., Deputy Mayor Dan Swatman, Councilmember Mark Hamilton Councilmember Donn Lewis, Councilmember Randy McKibbin, Councilmember Jim Rackley, and Councilmember Tom Watson. Councilmember Katrina Minton-Davis arrived at the Workshop at 5:47 p.m.

Planning Commissioners in attendance were Chairperson Grant Sulham, Commissioner Brad Doll, Commissioner Dennis Poulsen, and Commissioner Winona Jacobsen.

Staff members in attendance were City Administrator Don Morrison, Chief Financial Officer Al Juarez, Public Works Director Dan Grigsby, Community Development Director John Vodopich, Assistant Chief of Police James Keller, City Attorney Kathleen Haggard, Senior Planner Jason Sullivan, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Harwood Edvalson, and Administrative Specialist II Renee Cameron.

III. AGENDA ITEMS:


Mayor Johnson welcomed everyone and wished a Happy New Year. Councilmembers Lewis and Rackley requested corrections to the Plan. Mayor Johnson advised he is reviewing the resolution for the Arts Commission and that it is moving forward. Commissioner Jacobsen inquired about the number of commissioners to be appointed for the Arts Commission and Mayor Johnson said he would like to start with five. Councilmember Hamilton asked if the Arts Commission members will have to reside within city limits. Mayor Johnson offered for it to be within the 98391 zip code.

Planning Commissioner Chair Sulham asked about the Shoreline Master Plan (SMP) and asked about the Council’s concerns regarding the streamline setbacks. Councilmember Hamilton spoke regarding the effects of streamline setbacks and Commissioner Jacobsen said the Commission supports the setbacks. Deputy Mayor Swatman spoke about the consequences of streamline setbacks and how property owners are affected. Councilmember Rackley spoke about a compromise if certain properties views and development were limited. Commissioner Poulsen said there is no guarantee to property owners for view property.

Senior Planner Sullivan said staff reviewed all of the setbacks affecting lake properties and stated there are only a few properties where neighboring properties could affect each...
other. Deputy Mayor Swatman said Council will be reviewing the SMP Update at the January 21st Workshop.

Commissioner Sulham asked about the marijuana moratorium and whether the Planning Commission should do any research and make a recommendation before the moratorium expires. Chair Sulham asked if it would be better for the City to start planning for it, or what is the Council's focus. Deputy Mayor Swatman said the overall plan for zoning for retail marijuana would likely be for these businesses to be located in the Eastown area. City Attorney Haggard said the City has the right to limit/restrict these businesses based on zones, and the City can plan ahead on where they would allow it and the restrictions the City will impose. Commissioner Jacobsen spoke regarding an incident and fire that occurred in Seattle related to a marijuana retail business. Deputy Mayor Swatman expressed concern about how elected officials can permit these businesses when under federal law it is illegal. Councilmember Rackley said once the issues goes to the Washington State Supreme Court then cities will have a better understanding how to handle it. Councilmember Watson said he doesn't believe it should be discussed until the moratorium is lifted and the City is required to permit a business. Councilmember Hamilton said he thinks it would be prudent for the Planning Commission to review and recommend a place that this type of business would be allowed, so to review the zoning aspect of it. Mayor Johnson asked how much discussion on this issue could be discussed during Executive Session. City Attorney Haggard said for the Council to discuss at Executive Session there would have to be a potential threat of litigation. She said she thinks Councilmember Hamilton is correct in allowing the Planning Commission to start reviewing and make a recommendation. She said that unless the moratorium is renewed every six months, it will expire. However, to continue it requires that the City have a work plan in progress. City Attorney Haggard said the Attorney General's Office is expected to make a decision within the next month. However, this opinion or decision will not be appealable. Mayor Johnson said he would like the Council to have a workshop item to detail what the Planning Commission's role will be in this regard.

Councilmember Hamilton spoke about transportation issues and the issue of a traffic signal at SR410 and WSU. He said he could be more supportive if there were more interconnections between South Prairie and SR410 and the residential neighborhoods. He said he would like to see the road infrastructure be reviewed and a recommendation made from the Planning Commission. He would like to see some pro-planning, and realizes that it could affect some of the WSU forest. Councilmember Minton-Davis asked if these future roads are part of the Transportation Plan. Councilmember Lewis said he thinks a 20-30 year transportation plan would be good to get traffic flowing with good linkage through the City, and stated that developers don't plan for this city-wide. Senior Planner Sullivan said that staff are currently working on a transportation plan and expect to have it to PSRC by June of next year for certification.

Councilmember Hamilton spoke regarding multi-family housing and Mayor Johnson spoke regarding the development agreement with WSU. Deputy Mayor Swatman and Chair Sulham spoke about the effects that the County traffic places on our roads and streets. Mayor Johnson asked about the mitigation that the Tehaleh development has to complete throughout their development. City Attorney Haggard said Tehaleh has only gone through Phase 1 of their development and they will be required to do mitigation as they are obtaining their permitting. Commissioner Jacobsen asked if the City could have a representative at the County level to constantly remind them of the impacts to the traffic that affect the City, as she believes it makes a difference having a presence there. Councilmember Lewis agreed that presence is felt and it does make a difference. Mayor Johnson said staff and Council are constantly making the County aware of the impacts.
the City faces and Councilmember Hamilton spoke about the County’s concerns for the City.

** End of Special Joint City Council/Planning Commission Meeting **

Followed by Regular Council Workshop Items.

Mayor Johnson adjourned the Special Joint Planning Commission / City Council Meeting at 6:33 p.m., recessed for 5 minutes and called the City Council Workshop to order at 6:42 p.m.

B. Council Open Discussion.

Public Safety Committee. Councilmember Rackley said he attended his first Public Safety Committee Meeting last night and enjoyed it.

Council Retreat Agenda. Councilmember Watson asked about draft agenda for the upcoming Council Retreat. Deputy Mayor Swatman said it will be forthcoming soon.

SMP Update. Deputy Mayor Swatman said he and staff met with the Lake Tapps Councilmembers regarding the upcoming Department of Ecology regulation updates. He said they were impressed with what City staff have done regarding the SMP.


The minutes were forwarded to the January 14, 2014 Council Meeting for action, with minor corrections.

D. Discussion/Action: AB14-05 – Resolution 2354 – Establishing Council Standing Committee Meeting Dates and Times.

Deputy Mayor said he wanted to make sure Council are clear with all of the proposed revisions to the committee meeting dates and times. Councilmember Lewis asked that the current chairs of the committees attend the meetings until the new chairs are elected. Deputy Mayor Swatman said the next Finance Committee / Committee Meeting of the Whole (COW) will be next Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. Councilmember Watson inquired about open discussion opportunities and Deputy Mayor Swatman advised that open discussion would still occur during Council Workshops. Councilmember Hamilton said Council will have to be aware of how they cover the COW and to follow the rules and procedures. City Administrator Morrison said the ordinance states that the Deputy Mayor will appoint the Finance Committee members. Administrative Services Director/City Clerk Edvalson reminder Council that the Finance Committee/COW agenda items need to be submitted by Thursday.

Councilmember Rackley moved to approve Resolution 2354, Councilmember Watson seconded.

Resolution 2354 approved 7 - 0.


This item was removed from the agenda prior to the workshop.
F. Action: AB14-07 – Setting a Public Hearing on January 28, 2014 for Appeal to Establishment of Southern ULA.

Councilmember Rackley moved to approve setting the public hearing for January 28, 2014 on configuration of the southern utility latercomer agreement assessment map and calculation of assessment, Councilmember Watson seconded.

Motion approved 7 - 0.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

V. ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:09 p.m., Councilmember Watson moved to adjourn the Council Workshop. Councilmember Rackley seconded the motion.

Motion to adjourn approved 7 - 0.

Items presented to Council for the January 7, 2014 Special Joint City Council/Planning Commission Workshop: None

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