

**MINUTES**  
**GIG HARBOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Monday, February 12, 2024 - 5:30 PM**  
**Council Chambers**

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL** Mayor Markley called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Councilmembers Barber, Coronado, Henderson, Lykins, Rodenberg, Storset, and Woock were present.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

**PRESENTATIONS**

1. **Oath of Office for Police Officer Alexa Ejde** Mayor Markley administered the oath of office for Police Officer Alexa Ejde.
2. **Red Cross Month Proclamation** Mayor Markley presented the proclamation to Larry Bleich, American Red Cross Community Volunteer Leader

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Move to approve the consent agenda (Barber/Coronado).

**VOTE:** Unanimously approved.

1. **City Council Minutes - City Council Study Session - January 11, 2024; City Council Study Session - January 18, 2024; City Council Meeting - January 22, 2024; City Council Study Session - January 25, 2024; City Council Retreat - February 2, 2024**
2. **Approval of Vouchers: Check Numbers 105277 through 105406 and ACH payments in the amount of \$1,649,072.64.**
3. **Approval of Payroll: Check numbers #8502 through #8503 and direct deposit transactions in the total amount of \$567,973.03.**
4. **Professional Services Contract for Design of Peacock Hill Half-Width Roadway Improvements**
5. **Resolution 1306 Approving the Final Plat for the Edwards Drive Plat, Located West of and Adjacent to the Gig Harbor United Methodist Church and Southwest of Edwards Drive**
6. **Appointment of Stephen McDuffie to Parks Commission**

**MAYOR'S REPORT** Mayor Markley reported on City Administrator Katrina Knutson's appointment to the AWC legislative advisory board and the passing of John Jerkovich.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT** City Administrator Katrina Knutson reported on legislative activity in Olympia, staff ICS training, progress on a new lease agreement with the YMCA for the Gig Harbor Sports Complex, the Purdy Urban Growth Area, and Code Compliance Officer Adam Blodgett's certification.

**1. Department Updates - February 7, 2024**

**BUSINESS ITEMS**

- 1. Resolution 1305 Calling for a Special Election to be Held in the City on April 23, 2024, for the Purpose of Authorizing a Single-Year, Permanent Property Tax Levy Lid Lift Starting in 2025 to Provide for the Continual Provision of Public Safety, Streets and Park Maintenance, and Other Governmental Services; Setting Forth the Ballot Title Therefore; and Requesting that the Pierce County Auditor Place the Proposition on the April 23, 2024, Ballot** City Administrator Katrina Knutson introduced the resolution.

Public comment was provided by Melinda Stuart, Michelle Jensen, Julie Martin, Kit Kuhn, Dave Mumper, Gloria Switzer, and Jarrat Mowery.

**MOTION:** Move to approve Resolution 1305 and authorize the mayor to execute a professional services contract with a communications firm to relay facts and information regarding the levy lid lift to the community in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 (Barber/Lykins).

**VOTE:**

Yes: Mary Barber, Le Rodenberg, Brenda Lykins, Seth Storset, Ben Coronado

No: Roger Henderson, Jeni Woock

- 2. Selection of "For" and "Against" Committees for Gig Harbor Proposition 1 on the April 23, 2024, Special Election** Council appointed Robyn Denson, Julie Martin, and Kevin Entze to the "For" committee, with Julie Martin acting as spokesperson. Council appointed Melinda Stuart, Kevin MacDonald, and Marjorie Van Nuis to the "Against" committee with Melinda Stuart acting as spokesperson.
- 3. Ordinance 1519 Relating to Buildings and Construction; Adopting the 2021 Editions of the International Building Code, the International Residential Code, the International Mechanical**

Code, the International Fuel Gas Code, the International Fire Code, the International Existing Building Code, the International Wildland-Urban Interface Code, the International Energy Conservation Code and the Uniform Plumbing Code by Reference; Repealing Chapters 15.02 And 15.20, As Well as Making Certain Clean-Up Amendments, Amending Gig Harbor Municipal Code Sections: 15.06.020, 15.06.060, 15.08.060, 15.10.040, 15.10.060, 15.12.030, 15.14.040, 15.16.050, 15.18.070 and 15.22.065. Building Official/Fire Marshal Paul Rice introduced the ordinance.

**MOTION:** Move to approve Ordinance 1519 (Woock/Coronado).

**VOTE:** Unanimously approved.

4. **Rezone of Pierce County Assessor Parcel Number 7650000020 from the Waterfront Millville (WM) District to the Waterfront Commercial (WC) District** Community Development Director Carl de Simas introduced the resolution and ordinance. Comment was provided by Reuben Schutz on behalf of the applicant.

**MOTION:** Move to approve Resolution 1302 and Ordinance 1520 (Henderson/Barber).

**VOTE:**

Yes: Mary Barber, Le Rodenberg, Brenda Lykins, Roger Henderson, Seth Storset, Ben Coronado

No: Jeni Woock

5. **Consideration for Removing Pierce County Assessor Parcel Numbers 0221068037, 0221068036, 0221064172, 0221064173, 0221064174, 0221064177, 0221068039, and 0221068040 from the Height Restriction Overlay District** Community Development Director Carl de Simas introduced the resolution and ordinance. Comment was provided by Reuben Schutz on behalf of the applicant.

**MOTION:** Move to approve Resolution 1301 and Ordinance 1521. (Roger Henderson/Jeni Woock).

**VOTE:** Unanimously approved.

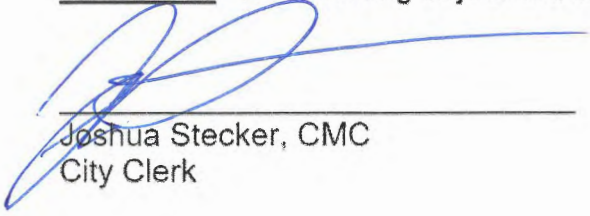
**COUNCIL REPORTS/ COMMENTS** Councilmember Woock reported on an upcoming study session. Councilmember Rodenberg reported on attending the Sister Cities Council meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS** Kit Kuhn commented on the closure of Ancich Netshed. Lynn Stevenson commented on public comment responses.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF UPCOMING MEETINGS**

## 1. Upcoming City Meetings

**ADJOURN** The meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.



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Joshua Stecker, CMC  
City Clerk