



MINUTES

City Council Regular Meeting

6:00 PM - Tuesday, February 4, 2020

Council Chambers, 15728 Main Street, Mill Creek, WA 98012

Minutes are the official record of Mill Creek City Council meetings. Minutes summarize the council meeting and documents any actions taken by the council.

A recording of this City Council meeting can be found here: [Part One](#), [Part Two](#)
The agenda packet for this City Council meeting can be found [here](#).

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pruitt called the meeting of the Mill Creek City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:

Pam Pruitt, Mayor
Brian Holtzclaw, Mayor Pro Tem
Vince Cavaleri, Councilmember
Mike Todd, Councilmember
Mark Bond, Councilmember
John Steckler, Councilmember
Stephanie Vignal, Councilmember

Councilmembers Absent:

AUDIENCE COMMUNICATION

- A. Below please find public comments that may reflect items on or off the agenda:
- B. 1. District Commissioner Randy Fay from Snohomish County Fire District 7 greeted all Councilmembers and reported on the following updates for Fire District 7:
- As of January 2020, Fire Chief Meek and Chief Andrews retired. Chief O'Brian, from Lake Stevens will replace Fire Chief Meek. In the near future, Fire District 7 looks forward to introducing the new Fire Chief to the City of Mill Creek Councilmembers;
 - Fire District 7 is in the process of integration as they recently merged with Lake Stevens Fire.
 - The Fire District intends to stay in close contact with the Cities that they serve. Point of contacts for the City of Mill Creek will be Commissioner Fay, Commissioner Waugh and Commissioner Elmore.
 - Fire District 7 looks forward to giving a regular reporting and accountability relationship with the City of Mill Creek.
2. Wil Nelson, City of Mill Creek resident asked Council if the vision for the existing Town Center was to have a lot of high density apartments in this area which he says

would not be a good vision and also noted that the increase in traffic during commuter times needs to be taken into consideration when drafting up a vision for the Mill Creek Blvd Subarea.

3. Carmen Fisher, City of Mill Creek resident reported that she appreciated the discussion that took place at last week's Regular City Council Meeting on January 28, 2020 regarding *Police Department Recruitment Strategies*. However, she feels the City is not a good place to work at the present time based on reports she has heard.

PRESENTATIONS

- C. Design and construction of a new Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) and pedestrian crosswalk at Jackson High School along 136th Street SE in the vicinity of the sports fields. The project will install ADA ramps on both sides of the street. The Everett School District is in support of this project.
County (Councilmember Terry Ryan)

Honorary County Councilman Terry Ryan presented the City of Mill Creek with a check in the amount of \$100,000 to go towards the design and construction of a new rectangular rapid flashing beacon (RRFB) and pedestrian crosswalk at Jackson High School.

- D. Snohomish County Health Department Presentation
(Heather Thomas, Public & Government Affairs Manager)

Heather Thomas, Public & Government Affairs Manager gave a presentation titled *A Shared Vision for Health - City of Mill Creek and Snohomish Health District*. The key components shared was working together with the City of Mill Creek to make things "Simpler, Safer and Healthier." Council engaged in Q&A.

OLD BUSINESS

- E. A Resolution of the City of Mill Creek, Washington Declaring Mill Creek to be a Veteran Friendly Community and the City of Mill Creek to be a Veteran Friendly Employer.
(Michael Ciaravino, City Manager and Michael Kidd, Retired Navy Veteran and Mill Creek Resident)

City Manager Michael Ciaravino and Michael Kidd, retired Navy Captain and Volunteer from Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) presented to City Council to adopt Resolution 2020-585 declaring the City of Mill Creek, Washington to be a veteran friendly community and the City of Mill Creek to be a veteran friendly employer.

Councilmember Steckler made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-585. Councilmember Cavaleri seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- F. Mill Creek Blvd Vision Update
(Gina Hortillosa, Director of Public Works and Development Services, Tom Rogers,

Planning Manager and Mandi Roberts, Otak Vice President & Principal)

Gina Hortillosa, Director of Public Works and Development Services, Tom Rogers, Planning Manager and Mandi Roberts, Otak Vice President & Principal updated the City Council of the Mill Creek Blvd. Subarea Planning Committee Meeting regarding the Vision Statement. Council engaged in discussion and agreed that a study session at a future meeting will be coordinated.

NEW BUSINESS

- G. Department of Commerce Grant Agreement for the Mill Creek Blvd. Corridor Land Use and Infrastructure Subarea Plan
(Gina Hortillosa, Director of Public Works and Development Services)

City Manager Michael Ciaravino and Gina Hortillosa, Director of Public Works and Development Services presented to City Council and recommended that the City Council authorize the City Manager to enter into a grant agreement with the Washington State Department of Commerce (Commerce) to allow the City to request reimbursement for expenses related to the Mill Creek Boulevard Subarea Plan in the amount of \$294,000.

Councilmember Todd made a motion to enter into a grant agreement with Washington State Department of Commerce. Councilmember Hotlzclaw seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

STUDY SESSION

CONSENT AGENDA

- H. City Council Meeting Minutes of January 28, 2020.

Councilmember Vignal made a motion to approve the City Council Meeting of January 28, 2020. Councilmember Bond seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

- I. Mayor/Council

Mayor Pruitt reported that she was honored to be invited to speak to Ms. Rebecca's 7th and 8th grade AVID class and noted how much fun she had with a great group of students. The Mayor reported that she attended the Mill Creek Chamber's event and said that members of the Chamber are excited to have City Councilmembers attending on a rotating basis. The Mayor reported that the deadline for the AWC Scholarship is March 9, 2020. City Staff will advertise and send out media releases for those who would like to apply.

Councilmember Bond had no report.

Councilmember Steckler reported that he attended the AWC City Action Day Conference in Olympia and noted that this was a great opportunity to observe the

legislature process. He also noted that he was able to meet other representatives including other Councilmembers and Mayors throughout the Cities.

Councilmember Cavaleri reported that he is supporting the House Bill 6754 imposing strict guidelines on vaping products and e-cigarettes.

Councilmember Vignal reported that she attended the Puget Sound Regional Council's workshop. The workshop gave Councilmember Vignal the opportunity to learn more about the Puget Sound Regional Council and how the region is planning for growth. Also, Councilmember Vignal is supportive to have the Everett School District to give an update and presentation to the City Council.

Councilmember Holtzclaw had no report.

Councilmember Todd gave a report regarding the AWC City Action Day Conference and reported on the items that were discussed during the conference and stated that a report was generated that he would share with the Council. Items the report focused on were: fiscal measures, public safety, human resources and economic development and other various topics that used surveys to collect data and more. Councilmember Todd reported the following topics were discussed during the conference: transportation, climate change, privacy bills, the importance of public works, and the 1% property tax.

- J. City Manager
 - Council Planning Schedule
- K. Staff
 - Report, etc.

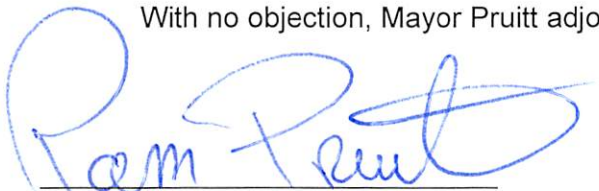
AUDIENCE COMMUNICATION

- L. Below please find public comments that may reflect items on or off the agenda:
Randy Fay from Fire District 7 applauded Council for adopting the Resolution making Mill Creek a Veteran Friendly Community and Veteran Friendly Employer.

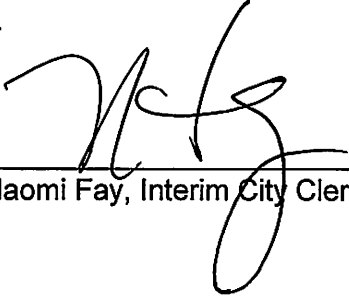
Wil Nelson, Mill Creek Resident commented on the following:
the Mill Creek Blvd. Subarea Land Use Plan's Vision statement was too vague;
high density apartments; growth development; and property taxes.

ADJOURNMENT

With no objection, Mayor Pruitt adjourned the meeting at 8:29 p.m.



Pam Pruitt, Mayor



Naomi Fay, Interim City Clerk