

ORTING CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

September 30, 2009

Mayor Cheryl Temple called the meeting to order with the flag salute at 7:00 pm in the Orting Public Safety Building. Roll call found in attendance Councilmembers George Wilson, Nicola McDonald, Dick Ford, David Inge, Guy S. Colorossi, and Joachim Pestinger. Councilmember Inge moved to excuse Councilmember Scott Drennen. Councilmember Wilson seconded the motion and it carried.

ATTENDANCE:

City Employees	City Administrator Mark Bethune, Administrative Assistant Roxanne Pollard, Accounting Clerk I Jane Helgelien, Building Official Ken Wolfe, Police Chief Bill Drake
Professional Representatives	Parametrix Engineer Dave Roberts, Kenyon Disend Attorney Chris Bacha.
Visitors	Margaret O’Harra, Tom Keiser, Barbara Hansen, Lisa Littleton, Tina Lee, Kathy Hastings, Kelly Hadley

PAYROLL & CLAIMS WARRANTS:

Approval of Claims Warrants No. 14711 through No. 14782 in the amount of \$107,241.24 and Payroll Warrants No. 18621 through No. 18662 in the amount of \$80,703.21.

Councilmember Colorossi moved to approve the Payroll & Claims Warrants as prepared. Councilmember Inge seconded the motion and it carried.

PRESENTATIONS:

Pierce Transit Tomorrow: Tina Lee	Tina Lee, Principal Planner, from Pierce Transit did a presentation as part of the ‘Pierce Transit Tomorrow’ redesign planning process. Pierce Transit will hold eight Community Design Workshops to help them understand the public’s perceptions and preference for the future of the system. Kelly Hadley, Director of Planning, was also in attendance to answer questions.
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Mayor Temple opened the floor for the public to ask questions of Ms. Lee.

Barbara Hansen asked if Orting will ever have full bus service. The representatives from Pierce Transit responded that Orting is unique because of the remote location it is in. There is an area that has little demand for a bus route from State Route 410 to the city limits. Pierce Transit would also like to see State Route 162 widened before it provides service on the road.

A man from the audience suggested that Pierce Transit should look at Island County Transit as an example of a transit district that provides service to remote areas.

Councilmember Inge suggested that Pierce Transit look into partnerships with School Districts, like the Sumner School District.

A man in the audience asked how much Orting tax payers contribute to Pierce Transit.

.6 percent has been added to the Orting sales tax rate to help fund Pierce Transit.

Councilmember Ford commented that Pierce Transit has done a poor job serving the citizens of Orting.

Councilmember McDonald asked what Pierce Transit's annual budget is.

Pierce Transit has an annual operating budget of \$181 million.

Pierce Transit does provide a route, called the Orting loop. It runs three days per week and requires reservations. It is not a viable option for people who need to commute to work daily.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:

Lisa Littleton:
Fishermen

Lisa Littleton, of 515 Washington Avenue Southeast, stated that she is sick of the fishermen who park in front of her home. Each fall they parks along her street in front of all the homes, even with the new parking lot available. They are loud in the early morning and they leave garbage. Recently there was an incident where a fisherman defecated on the right-of-way in front of her fence.

She asked why fishermen are allowed to park on all the streets.

City Attorney Bacha reported that any parking restrictions would need to be applied to all people parking on City streets. The matter was referred to the Mayor and City Staff to propose solutions to this annual problem.

Kathy Hastings: City
Readerboard

Kathy Hastings, of 514 Mill Street Southeast, asked who determines what events are posted on the City readerboard. Mayor Temple reported that the readerboard is used for City and City sponsored events only. Staff makes the determination what will be placed on the board.

Barbara Hansen:
Senior Center Dinner

Barbara Hansen, Executive Director of the Orting Senior Center, reported that the Senior Center dinner was on September 16. 132 people attended the event and twelve volunteers were honored.

Closed Record Public
Hearing: Cypress
View Estates Final
Plat Approval

Cypress View Estates in a 42 lot development at the northern edge of River's Edge. The applicant, Brian Stowe has applied for final plat of the first 14 single family home lots. Planning Commission conducted a hearing and recommended approval of the final plat application on September 10, 2009

Mayor Temple opened the floor for public comment on the final plat application at 8:21 pm.

Hearing no comments Mayor Temple closed the hearing at 8:22 pm.

Councilmember Inge moved to approve the final plat application with the following conditions:

1. Complete Appendix A of the City of Orting Develop Standards checklist.
2. Address all conditions for preliminary plat approval. The Findings dated 8/31/95, 10/28/99, and 1/9/03 are enclosed for reference.
3. Address all conditions for plan approval.
4. Complete all on-site improvements.
5. Request Final Inspection.
6. Complete all items on Final Punchlist (Developer's Contractor and City representative to date and initial all punchlist items upon completion).
7. Post a Warranty Bond in accordance with the executed Developer's Extension Agreement and Appendix B of the City Development Standards. Bond shall be in the amount of 15% the value of on-site improvements and shall remain in effect for 2-years following the transfer of title of utilities defined by the City's execution date on the Bill of Sale. The Developer's Engineer shall provide the City with a warranty bond worksheet for review prior to completing the Bill of Sale.
8. Execute a Bill of Sale in accordance with Appendix C of the City Development Standards. The Developer's Engineer shall provide utility quantities for the Bill of Sale for City of Orting review and approval prior to execution. See discussion regarding storm facilities below.
9. Submit Record Drawings in accordance with appendix E of the City Development Standards.
10. Complete Final Plat Documents and submit to the City for

Review and approval on Bond using Pierce County standard format (see OMC for signature block requirements). Once reviewed and approved by the City, final documents shall be reproduced on mylar and submitted to the City for execution. The Developer is responsible for recording with the County (and paying all necessary fees).

11. Per the approved plans, infiltration systems were designed to accommodate run-off from roof areas of up to 2250 square feet. The final plat documents shall indicate which lots are subject to this restriction and a note shall be placed on the face of the final plat documents. This requirement shall be clearly indicated on the Final Plat documents.

12. The face of the final plat documents shall clearly indicate maximum square footage of impervious surface permitted per lot per the approved stormwater report.

13. Pay all outstanding fees due to the City of Orting.

14. Pay General Facility Charges for Water, Sewer, Storm, Transportation, Late Comer's Agreement, and Schools Mitigation.

15. Provide three copies of the P.C. executed Final Plat documents to the City of Orting.

Councilmember Pestinger seconded the motion and it carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance 878: Golf Carts

Councilmember Inge presented the proposed ordinance creating a pilot program for the use of golf carts on City Streets.

The ordinance was prepared to say that vehicle equipment and licensing requirements do not apply to bicycles and will not apply to golf cars.

For enforcement purposes, the ordinance makes operators of golf cars subject to the same rules of the road as operators of motor vehicles and subject to the same penalties. This is the same thing that is done for bicycles. In addition, there are special rules that apply to golf cars. Violation of these rules will be a traffic infraction and the court will set the penalty by adopting a bail schedule for these unscheduled infractions.

Councilmember Wilson commented that he cannot support this ordinance because it allows golf cart use on the trail.

Councilmember Ford expressed the following concerns about the proposal. Electric golf cart use is a good idea that does not work for the City of Orting. The Department of Transportation and the State Patrol have sent a letter opposing the program. How will liability for

accidents caused by golf carts be covered? The Parks Commission is adamantly opposed to the proposal.

Councilmember Inge moved to adopt ordinance no. 878, an ordinance of the City of Orting, Washington, relating to operation of golf cars; amending the city code to establish a pilot program for use of golf cars on certain public highways and trails; providing for severability and establishing an effective date with amendment to require licensing of carts and changing the effective date to November 1, 2009. Councilmember Pestinger seconded the motion. Attorney Bacha advised that the requested amendments should be drafted before the ordinance is voted on. Councilmember Inge withdrew his motion.

After much discussion the Council asked staff to amend the ordinance to include a requirement of a driver's license to operate a golf cart on the City Streets, no golf cart use on the trail and a registration process with the City. The Council would also like to see the public invited to comment on the proposal.

COMMITTEE AND STANDING REPORTS

Parks	Councilmember Ford reiterated that Parks Commission is opposed to the golf cart pilot program. The Pumpkin Fest is scheduled for October 10 and 11.
Community Development	The Orting Bakery will open on October 3. Fox Hollow coffee has signed a lease to open in Orting Bakery.
Governmental Affairs	Councilmember McDonald reported that the Pierce County Council has agreed to entertain an amendment to allow an Orting an urban growth area.
Public Safety & Fire District 18	Councilmember Wilson reported that only routine business, such as approval of warrants, was discussed at the last Fire Commissioners meeting. The Commission is working on an agreement to continue contracting with East Pierce Fire and Rescue for the services of Dave Wakefield as Interim Fire Chief.
Transportation	Councilmember Pestinger reported that the transportation committee met and discussed solutions to the parking problems created by fishing season.

ADJOURN

Councilmember Inge moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 pm. Councilmember Wilson seconded the motion and it carried.

ATTEST:

City Administrator Mark Bethune

Mayor Cheryl M. Temple