

#1 – C0300-22

Legislative Affairs & Election Committee  
June 27, 2022

The Committee on Legislative Affairs & Elections met on Tuesday, June 27, 2022 at 6:00pm.

Members present were Councilor Michael Marchese, presiding, Councilors Al Lattanzi, Stephanie Smith and Darren Costa

The Committee considered an Order offered by John F. Hanlon  
An order further amending the City Council's Legislative Code

Councilor Smith explained that this code was amended several times and the purpose of these amendments was to add a new position in the City Council Office and to add Juneteenth as a legal holiday.

Councilor Smith made a motion for favorable action and was seconded by Councilor Lattanzi. The motion was referred back to the City Council with all members voting in the affirmative.

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#2 – C0309-22

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Members present were Councilor Michael Marchese, presiding, Councilors Al Lattanzi, Stephanie Smith and Darren Costa

The Committee considered an Ordinance offered by Stephanie Martins  
An ordinance amending the residency requirement when filing a vacancy in the City Clerk's Office

Councilor Martins was invited up to speak and asked that the candidates outside of Everett be able to apply in order to get a more diverse pool of candidates. Councilor Smith did not think it was the right time to do this because the process had already started on the reappointment. Councilor Costa asked when the process started and was provided the information from Clerk Mangan. Councilor Lattanzi asked if the position had to be an Everett resident. Councilor Smith had stated that she got an opinion from outside legal council stating that they could choose a non Everett resident if the candidates were not qualified. Councilor Marchese stated that he believed that all full time positions should go to Everett residents.

Councilor Smith made a motion to refer this item back to sponsor and was seconded by Councilor Costa. This item was referred back to the City Council to refer this item back to sponsor, with all members voting in the affirmative.

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An ordinance adding a new section 3-35 (Emergency Animal Control Calls)

Councilor Smith & Animal Control Officer Stacia Gorgone were invited up to speak on this item. Officer Gorgone explained that she receives a stipend to be on call. She also explained that in the past that she was always called in to handle a lost pet, but was not being called in recently. Councilor Lattanzi asked if another Animal Control Officer is needed, and she stated that another ACO is not needed. ACO Gorgone was looking for more in writing explaining the process. The ACO stated that she is guaranteed four hours if she is called in for overtime. Councilor Costa asked the ACO how many times she gets called in for overtime, and she stated at least one or two times a week. The ACO also informed Mr. Costa that there was no policy change. Chairman Marchese asked if she had a stipend, and she replied that she did. Chief Mazzie was then invited up to speak. Councilor Smith asked the chief to give his input on the subject. Chief Mazzie explained the statue on animal control. He stated that other officers handle animal control issues when the ACO is not on duty. He also stated that the Police Department is well funded when it comes to animal control. He explained also several items including the ACO's equipment are part of the budget. He stated that he submitted a policy back in August of 2021 to the ACO's union, and was waiting for them to sign off on it. Councilor Smith if we need more training when it comes to handling animals. Chief Mazzie stated that he was not in favor of this ordinance. Councilor Costa asked if there was any retrospect done on the policy. The Chief stated that he would send out the policy to the members. Councilor Costa if there was training gap, and the Chief stated that emergencies are taken on a case by case basis. Councilor Martins was invited back up to speak. She stated the council has the authority to write policy. Chief Mazzie stated that this was a personnel issue. Both guests were then excused. Councilor Smith asked that this matter be laid over until September, in order to review the policy, and that the Chief talk to the members to explain the situation. Councilor Smith made a motion, and was seconded by Councilor Costa to refer out to the City Council with no recommendation, in hopes that this item be brought up at a council meeting this summer to be further discussed.

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