

CITY OF ISSAQUAH
City Council Committee-of-the-Whole

6:30 PM
May 13, 2024

MINUTES

Council Chambers
135 E. Sunset Way

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Councilmembers:

Barbara de Michele
Zach Hall
Victoria Hunt
Russell Joe
Tola Marts (*Excused Absence*)
Chris Reh
Lindsey Walsh

Administration/Staff:

Wally Bobkiewicz, City Administrator
Andrea Snyder, Deputy City Administrator
Tisha Gieser, City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Walsh called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

AGENDA ITEMS

a) **Public Comment - None.**

b) **COM 0027 - Facilities Next Steps & Revenue Options: Fire Station 71 & Bonds**

Presented by:

Andrea Snyder, Interim Chief Financial Officer
Ben Lane, Fire Chief, Eastside Fire & Rescue
Sarah Elley, TCA Architecture
Maggie Marshall, PFM Financial Advisors

The following City Council feedback was provided:

- Requested cost estimates for renovating the existing Fire Station 71 and other potential sites
- Agency has strong financial history and a good story to tell re: bond repayment and bond rating
- Have continued concerns with 135 East Sunset Way location for a new fire station
- Need to be clear about impacts to public if the bond does not pass
- Support for pursuing new Fire Station at 135 East Sunset Way location
- Concern with lack of long-term facility plan for other City services (permit center and general services)
- Concern with losing City-owned houses on 135 East Sunset Way to new fire station for secured parking

c) **COM 0028 - 2023 Year End & First Quarter 2024 Financial Report**

Presented by:

Susie Monsell, Budget Manager

The City Council expressed appreciation for the report and the accuracy of the forecast.

d) **Good of the Order**

e) *Councilmember Hall:*
Eastside Fire & Rescue - Shared 2023 annual report.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:11 PM.

Lindsey Walsh, Council President

Tisha Gieser, City Clerk