

CITY OF ISSAQUAH
City Council
Mobility & Infrastructure Committee

6:30 PM
June 17, 2025

MINUTES

Council Chambers, 135 E.
Sunset Way, Issaquah WA

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Committee Members:

Russell Joe, Chair (Excused absence)
Barbara de Michele
Chris Reh

Administration/Staff:

Wally Bobkiewicz, City Administrator
Chris Grabowski, Deputy City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Pro Tem Reh called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public spoke.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Minutes of May 14, 2025, were approved as presented by unanimous consent.

AGENDA ITEMS

- a) **COM 0119 - Utility Rate Study - Rate Design and General Facilities Charges**

Presented by:

Matt Ellis, Utility Engineering Manager

Emily Moon, Director, Public Works

Sergey Tarasov, FCS Consulting Group

Following the staff presentation there were no public comments.

Committee comments included the following:

- The committee thanked staff for their detailed and thorough presentation.
- Committee members expressed concerns about the potential impacts on “Missing Middle” housing.

The Committee agreed with the Administration’s recommendations to apply cost-based levels to sewer and stormwater charges, phase in water charges over a 10 year period, and continue to adjust for inflation.

- b) **COM 0138 - Central Issaquah Multimodal I-90 Crossing Study Update**

Presented by:

Greg Lucas, Senior Transportation Engineer

Following the staff presentation there were no public comments.

Committee comments included the following:

- Committee members thanked staff for their work on this item.
- Committee members felt that the Administration’s logic is clear, but they want the full Council to weigh in.

- Committee members felt that the option the Administration is proposing is expensive and will change the character of the Gilman Corridor.
- Committee members agreed in principle on the concept, and agreed that there is a future need, but had concerns about the costs and funding.
- The committee felt that more information is needed from staff and that the item is not yet ready to be brought to a Council Study Session.

Committee members recommended that staff bring the item back to the July 15 Mobility & Infrastructure for further discussion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Administrator Wally Bobkiewicz recognized outgoing Deputy City Clerk Chris Grabowski for his service to the City. The Committee members expressed their thanks and wished Mr. Grabowski a happy retirement.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:13 PM.

Russell Joe, Chair

Cassidy Mueller, Deputy City Clerk