

CITY OF ISSAQUAH
City Council Regular Meeting

7:00 PM
 July 20, 2020

Virtual Meeting

MINUTES

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Alternate Meeting Format: On March 6, 2020 the Mayor declared a civil emergency due to the outbreak of novel coronavirus (COVID-19). On March 24, 2020 the Governor issued Proclamation 20-28 prohibiting open public meetings from occurring in person. The proclamation has been extended to Aug. 1, 2020. Due to these factors, the meeting was held using a remote meeting platform.

Councilmembers:

Barbara de Michele
 Stacy Goodman
 Zach Hall
 Victoria Hunt
 Tola Marts
 Chris Reh
 Lindsey Walsh

Administration/Staff:

Mary Lou Pauly, Mayor
 Wally Bobkiewicz, City Administrator
 Andrea Snyder, Deputy City Administrator
 Jim Haney, City Attorney
 Tisha Gieser, Deputy City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pauly called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pauly led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

The following individuals expressed support for continuation of the Streatery:

- Rick Ragan, owner of Montalcino Italian Restaurant
- Sharon Freas, owner of Art by Fire
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- Jeff Kanzler, representing Jak's Grill, Sunset Alehouse, and El 42 Cantina
- Shana London, resident and mental health counselor
- Christina Bruning, representing the Downtown Issaquah Association, also recognized Sue Paules, Main Street program outstanding volunteer
- Eric Pascal, representing Levitate Gastro Pub
- Kim Christianson, Streatery volunteer

The following individuals provided other comments:

- Michael Brown, representing Domino's Pizza, spoke regarding concerns with the Streatery and its impacts to his business.
- Jesse Jensen, 8th District Congressional Candidate, introduced himself.

COMMITTEE / REGIONAL REPORTS

Councilmember Hall:

Growth Management Planning Council Affordable Housing Committee – Announced upcoming meeting.

Cascade Water Alliance Board of Directors – Announced upcoming meeting.

Councilmember de Michele:

Healthier Here Governing Board - Made report.

Councilmember Goodman:

Lodging Tax Advisory Committee - Made report.

Eastside Fire & Rescue Finance & Administrative Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Marts:

Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee - Made report.

Puget Sound Regional Council Growth Management Policy Board - Made report.

Deputy Council President Reh:

Eastside Fire & Rescue Board - Made report.

Council President Hunt:

WRIA8 Salmon Recovery Council - Made report. Announced upcoming meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor reported on the following items:

- Executive Session: None.
- Streatery Update
- Lane Closure: WSDOT Closure
- Community Meeting: Issaquah's Action Plan

INFORMATIONAL UPDATES

a) ID 0727 - COVID-19 Update

City Administrator Wally Bobkiewicz, Economic Development Manager Jen Davis Hayes and Human Services Coordinator Monica Negrila provided a presentation on the City's COVID-19 Work Plan.

Council President Hunt summarized email comments received on this item.

b) ID 0730 - Housing Stability during COVID-19 Emergency

Human Services Coordinator Monica Negrila provided a presentation on the current status of Housing Stability, regional efforts and potential action items.

Council President Hunt summarized email comments received on this item.

Following Council discussion,

IT WAS MOVED BY HUNT, SECONDED BY MARTS, TO:

Continue this topic at a [virtual] special meeting at July 27 at 7:00 pm to consider actions to support housing stability.

MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.

The City Council provided informal direction to the Administration to bring forward an ordinance to provide tenants a defense against eviction if the landlord has not entered into a payment plan for consideration at the special meeting.

IT WAS MOVED BY MARTS, SECONDED BY HUNT, TO:

Direct Administration at the first meeting in August to provide what a potential rental subsidy package would look like for a potential small/medium/large investment by this Council.

MOTION CARRIED, 4-3 (*Opponents: Goodman, Reh, Walsh*).

CONSENT CALENDAR

Items listed were distributed to Councilmembers in advance for study and were enacted with one motion.

IT WAS MOVED BY HUNT, SECONDED BY REH; MOTION CARRIED (7-0), TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

Council President Hunt summarized an email comment received on AB 8007 - Amending Section 4.23 of the Council Rules of Procedure to Allow for Alternating Roll Call Votes.

Councilmember Goodman requested virtual meetings be brought forward to a future study session so that the format can be addressed, including the timing and frequency of study session public comment.

- a) **ID 0589 - Accounts: Payables and Payroll of July 20, 2020, \$8,517,512.94;** Approved.
- b) **Minutes: City Council Special Meeting, June 23, 2020;** Approved.
- c) **Minutes: City Council Study Session, June 23, 2020;** Approved.
- d) **Minutes: City Council Special Meeting, Exec Session, June 29, 2020;** Approved.
- e) **Minutes: City Council Special Meeting, June 29, 2020;** Approved.
- f) **AB 7989 - Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) Grant (12th Ave NW and SR 900/17th Ave NW);** Authorized the submission of a Transportation Improvement Board Grant for the 12th Avenue NW and SR900/17th Ave NW Intersection Project.
- g) **AB 8003 - Forest Rim Reservoirs Retrofit & Cougar Ridge Automatic Isolation Valve Projects;** Awarded the contract for the Forest Rim Reservoirs Retrofits and Cougar Ridge Automatic Isolation Valve Projects to T Baily Inc. for \$657,229.65; and directed the Finance Director to include an additional \$41,900 for the projects in a subsequent 2020 budget amendment utilizing the Water Fund.

- h) **AB 8007 - Amending Section 4.23 of the Council Rules of Procedure to Allow for Alternating Roll Call Votes;** Approve Resolution No. 2020-12, amending Section 4.23, Voting Procedures, of the City Council Rules of Procedure to allow for alternating the order in which roll call votes are taken at virtual meetings.

PUBLIC HEARING

- a) **AB 7993 - Temporary Regulatory Relief for Businesses: Use of Sidewalk, Private Property & Signage (Interim Zoning Regulations)**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by Economic Development Manager Jen Davis Hayes.

Council President Hunt summarized email comments received on this agenda item.

Mayor Pauly opened the public hearing at 10:54 PM.

The following individual provided public comments:

- Jesse Jensen, 8th District Congressional Candidate, introduced himself.

The public hearing was closed at 10:56 PM.

The Mayor stated that staff will provide an update on the use and effectiveness of the interim regulations prior to their expiration in December. If there is a desire to extend the temporary regulations beyond the initial six months, another public hearing will be required.

REGULAR BUSINESS

- a) **AB 7782 - AFSCME (General Employee Group) Collective Bargaining Agreement**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by Human Resources Director Stephanie Johnson and Senior Human Resources Analyst Lauren Knox.

Council President Hunt summarized email comments received on this item.

Following Council discussion,

IT WAS MOVED BY HUNT, SECONDED BY REH, TO:

Approve the terms of the 2020-2022 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Issaquah Administrative Staff Association and authorize the Mayor to enter into and execute the Agreement.

MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.

- b) **AB 7784 - Issaquah Police Officers Association (IPOA) Collective Bargaining Agreement**

IT WAS MOVED BY GOODMAN, SECONDED BY HUNT, TO:

Approve the terms of the 2020-2022 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and the Issaquah Police Officers' Association and authorize the Mayor to enter into and execute the Agreement.

MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.

c) **AB 8000 - Amend 2020 Salary Ordinance**

IT WAS MOVED BY HUNT, SECONDED BY REH, TO:

Adopt Ordinance No. 2912, adopting revised 2020 salary schedules for Non-Represented, AFSCME and IPOA represented City employees and amending the salary schedules previously adopted by Ordinance Nos. 2887 and 2906.

MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Mayor Pauly:

Upcoming Council Meetings - Announced anticipated agenda items.

Councilmember Hall:

Cascade Water Alliance Water Rate Increase - Requested feedback from the City Council on a potential water rate increase by CWA in 2021. Councilmembers relayed that they were not supportive of rate increases at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 11:44 PM.

Tisha Gieser, Deputy City Clerk

Mary Lou Pauly, Mayor