

CITY OF ISSAQUAH
City Council Regular Meeting

7:00 PM
 December 7, 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 relating to the COVID-19 emergency and open public meetings. The proclamation has been extended to Dec. 7, 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 individual provided public comments:

Connie Marsh, Squak Mountain, requested that the public be able to participate by video at City Council meetings, and spoke in opposition to the use of City-owned land for the Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) project.

COMMITTEE / REGIONAL REPORTS

Councilmember de Michele:

Eastside Transportation Partnership - Made report. Announced upcoming meeting.
 Eastside Human Services Forum - Made report. Announced upcoming meeting.
 HealthierHere Governing Board - Made report. Announced upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Walsh:

Central Puget Sound Economic Development District Board - Made report.

Councilmember Goodman:

Title 18 Ad Hoc Committee - The Committee met and discussed preliminary plans for public engagement.
 Eastside Fire & Rescue Board of Directors - Announced upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Marts:

Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.
Puget Sound Regional Council Growth Management Policy Board - Made report.

Deputy Council President Reh:

King County Growth Management Planning Council - Made report.

Council President Hunt:

Water Resource Inventory Area 8 (WRIA8) Salmon Recovery Council - Made report.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor reported on the following items:

- Executive Session - An executive session was held earlier this evening.
- Issaquah Trolley
- Plastic Bag Ban
- Environmental Board Selections
- Upcoming Recycling Event
- 2020 Community Awards
- Councilmember Marts 10 Years of Service
- Upcoming Holiday Events

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

Councilmember Goodman requested that AB 8050 - 2021 Legislative Agenda (item "k") be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered under Regular Business.

IT WAS MOVED BY HUNT, SECONDED BY REH; MOTION CARRIED (7-0), TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS AMENDED (removing agenda item "k").

- a) **ID 0680 - Accounts: Payables and Payroll of Dec. 7, 2020, \$2,391,203.33;** Approved.
- b) **Minutes: City Council Budget Study Session, Nov. 5, 2020;** Approved.
- c) **Minutes: City Council Budget Study Session, Nov. 10, 2020;** Approved.
- d) **Minutes: City Council Special Meeting, Nov. 16, 2020;** Approved.
- e) **Minutes: City Council Regular Meeting, Nov. 16, 2020;** Approved.
- f) **AB 7767 - King Conservation District (KCD) Grant (Lower Issaquah Creek Stream and Riparian Habitat Enhancement Project);** Authorized acceptance of grant funds in the amount of \$50,000 and execution of the grant agreement with the King Conservation District for the Lower Issaquah Creek Stream and Riparian Habitat Enhancement Project.

- g) **AB 7809 - King County Flood Control District Grant (East Lake Sammamish Parkway Conveyance Improvements);** Authorized acceptance of grant funds in the amount of \$200,000 and execution of the grant agreement with the King County Flood Control District to support the construction of the East Lake Sammamish Conveyance Improvements Project.
- h) **AB 8018 - Mid-Term Board & Commission Appointments;** Confirmed the appointments to the Environmental Board, Planning Policy Commission and the Transportation Advisory Board as presented; terms effective Jan. 1, 2021.
- i) **AB 8024 - King County Waste Reduction & Recycling Grant;** Authorized acceptance of grant funds in the amount of \$64,138 and execution of the grant agreement with King County for waste reduction and recycling programs.
- j) **AB 8034 - Amendments to IMC 13.24.090, General Facility Charge and Regional Supply and Treatment Charge – Water;** Adopted Ordinance No. 2930, amending IMC 13.24.090 in order to update the same with changes to Regional Capital Facilities Charges collected on behalf of Cascade Water Alliance and establishing an effective date of January 1, 2021.
- k) **AB 8050 - 2021 Legislative Agenda;** Removed from the Consent Calendar and considered under Regular Business (item “a”).
- l) **AB 8058 - Repealing Chapter 8.05, Retail Carryout Bags;** Adopted Ordinance No. 2931, repealing Chapter 8.05, retail carryout bags, of the Issaquah Municipal Code; amending IMC 1.36.030(A), civil infractions; providing for severability and establishing an effective date.
- m) **AB 8071 - Washington Assoc. of Sheriffs & Police Chiefs Mental Health Field Response Grant;** Authorized submittal of the Washington Association of Sheriffs & Police Chiefs Mental Health Field Response Grant application.
- n) **AB 8073 - Final 2020 Budget Amendment;** Adopted Ordinance No. 2932, amending the 2020 budget as set forth in Ordinance No. 2888 and amended by Ordinance No. 2908 and Ordinance No. 2919 concerning revenues, expenditures, and fund balance for various funds for the year 2020.
- o) **AB 8076 - Fire Impact Fee Funds;** Approved Resolution No. 2020-16, finding extraordinary and compelling reasons for holding certain fire impact fees for longer than ten years pursuant to RCW 82.02.070(3)(a).
- p) **AB 8078 - Issaquah Police Support Services Association (IPSSA) Collective Bargaining Agreement;** Ratified the Memorandum of Understanding extending the 2017-2020 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and the Issaquah Police Support Services Association through Dec. 31, 2021; authorized the Mayor to enter into and execute the Memorandum of Understanding; and directed the Finance Director to amend the 2021 salary ordinance to include the Issaquah Police Support Services Association salary tables at the next practicable opportunity.
- q) **AB 8082 - 2018 Complete Streets Olde Town Traffic Calming Project;** Accepted the 2018 Complete Streets Olde Town Traffic Calming Speed Humps Project and release of the retainage.

- r) **AB 8084 - Interlocal Agreement with King County for Jail Services;** Authorized the Mayor to enter into and execute the Interlocal Agreement with King County for Jail Inmate Housing.

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.

Mayor Pauly opened public hearing at 7:42 PM. The being no public comments, the hearing was closed at 7:44 PM.

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

1) Adopt Ordinance No. 2933, extending the interim regulations adopted by Ordinance No. 2909 allowing the temporary use of parking lots, sidewalks, and public rights-of-way, to support businesses during the safe start Washington phased reopening and suspending the operation of certain provisions of the Issaquah municipal code; and

2) Adopt Ordinance No. 2934, extending the interim regulations adopted by Ordinance No. 2910 allowing certain commercial a-frame signs to support businesses during the safe start Washington phased reopening and suspending the operation of certain provisions of the Issaquah Municipal Code; providing for severability and establishing an effective date.

MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.

REGULAR BUSINESS

- a) **AB 8050 - 2021 Legislative Agenda**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly.

Councilmember Hall declared a conflict of interest due to the ethics policies applicable to him as an employee of the Washington State Legislature. Councilmember Hall stated that he would recuse himself from voting on the Legislative Agenda.

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

Approve the 2021 Legislative Agenda as presented with the following revision under [Legislative Policy Manual] Budget & Fiscal Matters, amending bullet 4 to read:

“Issaquah ~~supports~~ **will monitor** progressive revenue options like a payroll tax, ~~provided it does not erode local taxing authority.~~”

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

Amend the motion to remove the revision to the Legislative Policy Manual, Budget & Fiscal Matters, bullet 4 and restore the original language.

AMENDMENT CARRIED, 5-1 (Opponent: Goodman; Recused: Hall).

The motion before the City Council was to:

Approve the 2021 Legislative Agenda as presented.

MAIN MOTION CARRIED, 6-0 (*Recused: Hall*).

b) **AB 8011 - 2020 Comprehensive Plan Amendments and Rezones**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by Senior Planner Christen Leeson and Deputy City Administrator Andrea Snyder. Following Council discussion,

IT WAS MOVED BY HUNT, SECONDED BY DE MICHELE, TO:

Adopt Ordinance No. 2935, adopting by reference several amendments to the Issaquah Comprehensive Plan processed as part of the 2020 Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Map Amendments amending the Land Use Element; the Transportation Element; the Capital Facilities Element; the Olde Town Subarea Plan; and adopting by reference amendments to the City's Zoning Map.

MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Mayor Pauly:

Upcoming Council Meetings - Announced anticipated agenda items.

Councilmember Marts:

Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee Legislative Agenda - Asked for Councilmember feedback. Councilmembers expressed support for the agenda.

City Administrator Bobkiewicz:

Federal COVID-19 Funds for State & Local Government - Requested feedback on how any additional funds should be expended. Feedback included, provide support for:

- Rental assistance
- Food security
- Local business assistance
- Non-profits that have not yet received or been eligible for Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) funds

Councilmembers Goodman, Hall & Reh:

Eastside Fire & Rescue Fee Waiver - Requested Council feedback on whether to create a fund for the private ambulance service occasionally used by EFR, American Medical Response (AMR), to assist those who cannot afford to pay the ambulance fees. Feedback included:

- Find out if AMR has its own hardship policy.
- Is there a higher cost for AMR services?
- Pursue an equitable policy whether services are provided by EFR or AMR.
- General support for assisting those in hardship.

Council President Hunt:

Thank You - Thanked Councilmembers for meeting the challenge of 2020.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:31 PM.

Tisha Gieser, Deputy City Clerk

Mary Lou Pauly, Mayor