

**CITY OF ISSAQUAH
City Council Regular Meeting**

7:00 PM
October 4, 2021

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. 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.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

a) ID 0965 - King County Issaquah Recovery Center Update

King County Dept. of Community & Human Services Director Leo Flor provided a brief overview on the use of the former Holiday Inn.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

The following individuals provided public comment:

Shane Nicholson, City employee, spoke against the City's COVID-19 employee vaccine requirement.

Council President Hunt summarized email comments received on tonight's agenda items.

COMMITTEE / REGIONAL REPORTS

Councilmember de Michele
Eastside Human Services Forum - Made report. Announced upcoming meeting.
HealthierHere Governing Board - Announced upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Walsh

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Economic Development District Board - Announced upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Goodman

Lodging Tax Advisory Committee - Made report.
EFR Board - Announced upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Marts

PSRC Growth Management Policy Board - Announced upcoming meeting.
SCA Public Issues Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.

Council President Hunt

King County Regional Homelessness Authority- Attended a meeting introducing this new group.
Title 18 Land Use Ad Hoc Committee - Met and discussed the zoning and land use memo; provided guidance for the Planning Policy Commission for review. Announced upcoming meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor reported on the following topics:

- Executive Session: There will not be an executive session this evening.
- Issued Proclamations:
 - Issaquah Salmon Days “Fishaquah”
 - Arts and Humanities Month
 - Substance Abuse Prevention
- Vaccine Partnership Award

INFORMATIONAL UPDATES

a) ID 0945 - Solid Waste Contract Update

Gary Schimek, Utilities Engineering Manager and Jeff Brown with Epicenter Consulting made a presentation on the City's upcoming solid waste contract request for proposals.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember de Michele requested that the following statement be entered on the minutes:

For the record that I am currently employed with an entity that is included in the City's payables, Influence the Choice. I currently fill the role of temporary Executive Director of Influence the Choice. The City serves as a fiscal agent for this agency in the disbursement of a federal fund. Grant funds are being dispersed under this month's accounts payables. I have asked for advice from the City attorney as to whether this warrants a conflict of interest and have been informed that I am not legally required to be excused from voting as the City is carrying out a decision that was previously made by the Council. However, for the sake of transparency, I would like to declare this employment and have this statement entered on the minutes.

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.

- a) **ID 0892 - Accounts: Payables and Payroll of Oct. 4, 2021, \$ 3,105,647.66;** Approved.
- b) **Minutes: City Council Study Session, July 27, 2021;** Approved.
- c) **Minutes: City Council Special Meeting, July 30, 2021;** Approved.
- d) **Minutes: City Council Special Meeting, Sept. 7, 2021;** Approved.
- e) **Minutes: City Council Regular Meeting, Sept. 7, 2021;** Approved.
- f) **AB 8174 - 2021 Water Main Replacement Project;** Accepted completion of the 2021 Water Main Replacement Project and release of the retainage to the contractor.
- g) **AB 8188 - Forest Rim Reservoirs Retrofit & Cougar Ridge Automatic Isolation Valve Project;** Accepted completion of the Forest Rim Reservoirs Retrofit & Cougar Ridge Automatic Isolation Valve Project and release of the retainage to the contractor.
- h) **AB 8235 - 2021 King County Cooperative Watershed Management Grant (Lower Issaquah Creek Stream and Riparian Habitat Enhancement Project);** Authorized acceptance of the King County Cooperative Watershed Management (CWM) grant funds in the amount of \$792,150 for the Lower Issaquah Creek Restoration Project; and authorized the Mayor to enter into and execute the grant agreement with King County.
- i) **AB 8257 - Memorandum of Agreement with American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME);** Ratified the Memorandum of Agreement between the City and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) regarding mandatory COVID-19 vaccinations, and authorized the Mayor to execute the Memorandum of Agreement.
- j) **AB 8259 - Washington State Dept. of Commerce Transit-Oriented Development Implementation Grant;** Authorized submittal of an application for the Washington State Department of Commerce Transit-Oriented Development Implementation grant.
- k) **AB 8260 - National Council on Aging Grant;** Authorized acceptance of \$12,000 of National Council on Aging grant funds for the "Empowering Older Adults for Wellness and Safe and Effective Pain Management" pilot project; and authorized the Mayor to enter into and execute the grant agreement with the National Council on Aging; and directed the Finance Director to include the grant revenue and related expenditures in a subsequent 2021 budget amendment, if needed.
- l) **AB 8261 - Aging and Disability Services Grant;** Authorized acceptance of Aging and Disability Services grant funds in the amount of \$4,000 and execution of the related statement of intent with the Agency and Disability Services for the delivery of the Aging Mastery Program; and directed the Finance Director to include the grant revenue and related expenditures in a subsequent 2021 budget amendment, if needed.

- m) **AB 8262 - Washington State Dept. of Commerce Housing Action Plan and Implementation (HAPI) Grant**; Authorized submittal of an application for the Washington State Dept. of Commerce Housing Action Plan and Implementation grant.

PUBLIC HEARING

- a) **AB 8198 - Proposed 2022 Budget & Salary Ordinance**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by Autumn Monahan, Interim Finance Director.

The public hearing was opened at 7:55 PM.

There were no public comments.

The public hearing was closed at 7:58 PM.

The second public hearing on the budget will be held on Nov. 15, 2021, after which the Council is anticipated to adopt the budget.

- b) **AB 8199 - Proposed 2022 Budget: Levy & Revenue Sources**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by Autumn Monahan, Interim Finance Director.

The public hearing was opened at 8:10 PM.

There were no public comments.

The public hearing was closed at 8:11 PM.

The Council is anticipated to take action on this item at the Nov. 1, 2021 Council meeting.

REGULAR BUSINESS

AB 8231 and AB 8247 were presented jointly with the above public hearing presentation on AB 8199.

- a) **AB 8231 - Proposed 2022 Budget: Revenue Sources - Amending Community Planning and Development Fees**

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

Forward AB 8231 to the November 1, 2021 Council meeting for deliberation and action.

MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.

- b) **AB 8247 - Proposed 2022 Budget: Revenue Sources - Utility Tax for Sammamish Plateau Water District Customers**

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

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Forward AB 8247 to the November 1, 2021 Council meeting for deliberation and action.

MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.

c) **AB 8230 - Boards & Commissions Stipend Policy**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by Tina Eggers, Chief of Staff to the Mayor.
Following Council discussion,

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

Adopt Ordinance No. 2955, establishing a stipend program in Chapter 2.96, Administration, of the Issaquah Municipal Code, with an effective date of Nov. 1, 2021.

MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- a) *Council President Hunt:*
Budget Deliberation Schedule - There will be an email sent with broad policy topics for the upcoming budget discussions.
- b) *Mayor Pauly:*
Upcoming Council Meetings - Announced anticipated agenda items.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 PM.

Tisha Gieser, City Clerk

Mary Lou Pauly, Mayor