

**CITY OF ISSAQUAH
City Council Regular Meeting**

7:00 PM
December 6, 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 (*Excused Absence*)
Lindsey Walsh

Administration/Staff:

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

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pauly called the meeting to order at approximately 7:13 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pauly led the Pledge of Allegiance.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

- a) **ID 0986 - Recognition of King County Councilmember Lambert, City Councilmember Goodman, IT Manager John Traeger, & City Attorney Jim Haney**

The above elected officials and staff were recognized for their service to the City.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

The following individuals spoke in support of the Climate Action Plan:

- Larry Franks, resident
- Megha Mishra, Sammamish resident
- Anne Newcomb, resident
- Ann Fletcher, resident, also recommended a change to include a transition to clean energy for existing buildings as a measurable target.
- David Kappler, resident, also thanked Councilmember Goodman for her service.

The following individuals provided public comment:

- Paul Winterstein, resident, thanked Councilmember Goodman for her years of service.

- Christy Gerrard, resident, thanked King County Councilmember Lambert and Councilmember Goodman for their service.

COMMITTEE / REGIONAL REPORTS

Councilmember Hall:

Cascade Water Alliance Board - Made report.

Growth Management Planning Council Affordable Housing Committee - Made report.

Councilmember de Michele:

Connect2 Community Advisory Group - Made report.

HealthierHere Governing Board - Made report.

Eastside Transportation Partnership - Announced upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Walsh:

Greater Issaquah Chamber of Commerce - Made report.

PSRC Economic Development District Board - Made report. (CONFIRM NAME)

Councilmember Goodman:

Eastside Fire & Rescue Board - Announced upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Marts:

Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.

Council President Hunt:

WRIA8 Salmon Recovery Council - Made report.

King Conservation District - Announced upcoming meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor reported on the following topics:

- Executive Session: There was an executive session held earlier this evening to discuss pending/potential litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i).
- Personnel Policies - Juneteenth
- Capital Finance Community Task Force
- Legislative Special Meeting Report
- Holiday Lights on Front Street
- Washington Therapeutic Courts Grant
- Climate Action Plan Adoption
- Introducing: Issaquah's New Sustainability Manager
- Also Introducing: Issaquah's New Chief Financial Officer
- Upcoming Community Events
- City Hall Closures

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

I would like to state for the record that I was employed with an entity that is included in the City's payables, Influence the Choice. I filled 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 WALSH; MOTION CARRIED (6-0), TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

- a) **ID 0896 - Accounts: Payables and Payroll of Dec. 6, 2021, \$6,415,498.26;** Approved.
- b) **Minutes: City Council Study Session, Sept. 28, 2021;** Approved.
- c) **Minutes: City Council Study Session, Oct. 12, 2021;** Approved.
- d) **Minutes: City Council Special Meeting, Oct. 12, 2021;** Approved.
- e) **Minutes: City Council Regular Meeting, Oct. 18, 2021;** Approved.
- f) **Minutes: City Council Study Session, Oct. 26, 2021;** Approved.
- g) **Minutes: City Council Study Session, Nov. 9, 2021;** Approved.
- h) **AB 8191 - 2021 Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Map Amendments;** Adopted Ordinance No. 2963, adopting by reference several amendments to the Issaquah Comprehensive Plan processed as part of the 2021 Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Map Amendments amending the Land Use Element; the Olde Town Subarea Plan; the Capital Facilities Element; and adopting by reference, amendments to the City's Zoning Map.
- i) **AB 8209 - Amendment to Personnel Policies;** Approved Resolution No. 2021-17, amending the City's Personnel Policies and repealing the existing policies found in Issaquah Administrative Manual 901-11; providing for superseding provisions, severability, and establishing an effective date of December 6, 2021; and Adopted Ordinance No. 2964, repealing Section 901-11 of the Issaquah Administrative Manual and Chapter 2.88 of the Issaquah Municipal Code to provide for reorganization of the City's Employee Recognition Program.
- j) **AB 8281 - Third 2021 Budget Amendment;** Adopted Ordinance No. 2965, amending the 2021 budget as set forth in Ordinance No. 2927 and amended in Ordinance No. 2939 and Ordinance No. 2951 concerning revenues, expenditures, and fund balance for various funds for the year 2021.
- k) **AB 8287 - Memorandum of Agreement with King County for Jail Diversion and Reentry Services & Data Sharing;** Authorized the Mayor to enter into and execute the Memorandum of Agreement with the King County Dept. for Community & Human Services for jail diversion and reentry services and data sharing.

- l) **AB 8288 - Amendments to Memorandum of Understanding with Eastside Fire & Rescue for Improvements to Fire Station 71;** Authorized the Mayor to enter into and execute the amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding with Eastside Fire & Rescue for improvements to Fire Station 71.

- m) **AB 8289 - Washington Courts Therapeutic Courts Grant;** Accepted a Therapeutic Court Grant Program of \$185,149 for reimbursement of community court expenses to fund a case manager position and cover other program costs; and
 Authorize the Judge to enter into and execute the related agreement with the Administrative Office of the Courts; and
 Authorize transition from an existing Part-Time Non-Regular (PTNR) position at 15 hours/week to a Limited Term (LTE) .75 FTE, to staff a Community Court Case Manager through the Human Services Division.

- n) **AB 8298 - Contract for Legal Services w/Ogden Murphy Wallace;** Authorized the Mayor to enter into and executive the professional legal services contract with Ogden Murphy Wallace, effective January 1, 2022 as presented; and directed the Chief Financial Officer to include necessary funds in a subsequent budget amended if needed.

- o) **AB 8299 - Agreement with Hopelink for Low Income Home Water Assistance Program;** Authorized the Mayor to enter into and execute the Low Income Home Water Assistance Program Vendor Agreement with Hopelink to help pay eligible low-income Issaquah households' water utility arrearages, utilizing Consolidated Appropriations Act funds.

- p) **AB 8304 - Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Summer Enrichment Experience for Kids (SEEK) Grant (Portable Stage);** Authorized submittal of the Summer Experiences & Enrichment for Kids Fund (SEEK) grant in the amount of \$241,710 through the Association of Washington Cities for the purchase of a portable stage.

REGULAR BUSINESS

- a) **AB 8256 - Climate Action Plan**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by Consultant Megan Curtis-Murphy. Following Council discussion,

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

Adopt Resolution No. 2021-18, adopting the Issaquah Climate Action Plan.

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

Amend the plan to add the following target:

Target: Reduce natural gas and other fossil fuel use in existing buildings by at least 20% by 2030 and 80% by 2050, compared to a 2017 baseline.

MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED CARRIED, 6-0.

AMENDMENT CARRIED, 5-1 (Opposed: Goodman).

b) **AB 8292 - Frontline Worker Incentive Pay Ordinance (Non Represented Staff) and Memorandums of Understanding (AFSCME, IPOA, IPSSA, Teamsters 117, Police Sergeants & Teamsters 117, Police Commanders, Teamsters 763)**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by City Administrator Wally Bobkiewicz. Following Council discussion,

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

Adopt Ordinance No. 2966, regarding Frontline Worker Incentive Pay for non-represented employees; and
Ratify and authorize the Mayor to enter into and execute the Memorandums of Understanding with: the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees; the Issaquah Police Officers' Association; the Issaquah Police Support Staff Association; Teamsters 117 representing Police Commanders; Teamsters 117 representing Police Sergeants, and Teamsters 763.

MOTION CARRIED, 6-0.

c) **AB 8303 - Separate Track for Central Issaquah Step Back Standards in Title 18**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by Gene Paul, Management Analyst. Following Council discussion,

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

Approve the placement of the step back standards found in the Central Issaquah Development & Design Standards on a separate track from the Title 18 land use code update project.

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

Amend the motion to add:

Direct the Administration to add the topic of the proposed change on the Consent Calendar at the first meeting in January for referral to the PPC [Planning Policy Commission].

TIE VOTE ON AMENDMENT, 3-3 (In Favor: Goodman, Hall, Marts).

Councilmember Marts rose to a point of order, questioning whether the Mayor could vote to break the tie. In consultation with the City Attorney, the Mayor concluded it was allowable for her to vote.

Mayor Pauly broke the tie in voting in favor of the motion.

AMENDMENT CARRIED, 4-3.

MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED CARRIED, 6-0.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

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 9:45 PM.

Mary Lou Pauly, Mayor

Tisha Gieser, City Clerk