

**CITY OF ISSAQUAH
City Council Regular Meeting**

7:00 PM
October 17, 2022

MINUTES

Council Chambers
135 E. Sunset Way

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Councilmembers:

Barbara de Michele
Zach Hall
Victoria Hunt
Russell Joe
Tola Marts
Chris Reh
Lindsey Walsh

Administration/Staff:

Mary Lou Pauly, Mayor
Wally Bobkiewicz, City Administrator
Andrea Snyder, Deputy City Administrator
Rachel Bender Turpin, City Attorney
Tisha Gieser, 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 1254 - Moorish American Convention Week Proclamation**

The Mayor announced that this agenda item was being delayed with the rescheduled date to be determined.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

The following public comment was provided:

- Michael Ernst, representing the LEO House, spoke in support of special recreation program funding in the proposed 2023-24 budget.
- Leo Finnegan, representing the LEO House, spoke in support of special recreation program funding in the proposed 2023-24 budget.
- Jennifer Coomes, Executive Director of Essence Health and Research, requested consideration to receive a Human Services grant.
- KayLee Jaech, representing The Garage Teen Cafe, shared information about the new host home program.
- Megan Boss, shared information about Williams Syndrome a condition that she deals with and advocated for more resources for those with the syndrome.
- David Boss, advocated for increased community programs and support for individuals with disabilities.

COMMITTEE / REGIONAL REPORTS

Councilmember Joe:

Cascade Water Alliance Finance Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.
Cascade Water Alliance Board - Announced upcoming meeting.

10-17-22 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Page (0000)

Lodging Tax Advisory Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.
 Mobility & Infrastructure Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.

Councilmember de Michele:

Eastside Human Services Forum - Made report.
 Eastside Transportation Partnership - Made report.

Councilmember Hunt:

King Conservation Advisory Committee - Made report. Announced upcoming meeting.
 Planning, Development & Environment Committee - Made report. Announced upcoming meeting.
 K4C Elected Officials Workshop - Made report.
 Kokanee Management Interlocal Committee - Made report.

Councilmember Reh:

Eastside Fire & Rescue Board - Made report. Announced upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Marts:

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

Council President Walsh:

Issaquah School District & City Leadership Meeting - Made report.
 Affordable Housing Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor reported on the following topics:

- Executive Session: There is no Executive Session scheduled for this evening.
- Wildfire Smoke Safety Tips
- Broadband Assessment
- Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Recruitment
- Upcoming Community Events

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

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

- a) **ID 1205 - Accounts: Payables and Payroll of Oct. 17, 2022, \$4,922,735.54;** Approved.
- b) **Minutes: City Council Regular Meeting, Sept. 6, 2022;** Approved.
- c) **AB 8475 - Affidavit Agent Authority for American Tower Corporation;** Authorized the Mayor to sign an affidavit of agent authority to allow American Tower/T-Mobile to apply for land use permits for the upgrade of equipment by T-Mobile at the existing cell tower site at 2285 Squak Mountain Loop.

- d) **AB 8480 - Memorandum of Understanding with King County for Use of City Facilities for COVID-19 Immunization Clinic;** Authorized the Mayor to enter into and execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the King County Department of Public Health to use the Issaquah Senior Center for a COVID-19 booster clinic on Oct 20, 2022.

REGULAR BUSINESS

- a) **AB 8402 - 2023-24 Budget Ordinance**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and Robert Hamud, Chief Financial Officer and presented by Susie Monsell, Budget Manager and Emily Moon, Public Works Director.

Following Council discussion,

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

Direct the Administration to proceed to finalize the proposed 2023-24 budget ordinance incorporating the changes presented at the Oct. 17 City Council meeting [see Exhibit D to AB 8402].

MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.

- b) **AB 8439 - 2023-24 State Legislative Agenda, Priorities and Policy Manual**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by City Lobbyist Shelly Helder.

Following Council discussion,

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

Direct the Administration to finalize the 2023-24 Legislative Agenda including the changes discussed, returning to the Nov. 7, 2022 City Council meeting for adoption.

Proposed Changes discussed:

Under Affordable Housing, Health, Human Services and Homelessness, requested separating mental health/substance abuse from homelessness from the below policy item:

- Issaquah supports policies and investments that add services and shelter, and assist communities in addressing issues of mental health, substance use disorder, and homelessness.

Under Affordable Housing, Health, Human Services and Homelessness, remove the following phrase from the existing policy statement:

- Issaquah supports ~~the allocation of the state's unanticipated marijuana revenues to~~ youth substance abuse prevention and treatment programs administered by the state to meet the behavioral health impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Add a new policy statement to address the 120-day rent increase.

Under Land-Use/Growth Management Act (GMA) Housing, suggested the following changes to the below statement:

- Issaquah ~~opposes~~ supports statewide approaches to land use decisions that ~~do~~ not recognize the unique challenges of individual cities.

MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.c) **AB 8488 - Community Investment Strategy: Park Project & Park Board Feedback**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by Parks & Community Services Director Jeff Watling.

Following Council discussion,

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

Direct the Administration to proceed to incorporate \$4 million in ARPA funding in the 2023-24 budget for the following projects and utilize insurance claim funds and future awarded state grant funds to complete these projects:

- \$800,000 ARPA funds and \$200,000 insurance funds for Confluence Park Ek House Picnic Shelter; and
- \$3.2 million ARPA funds for Pedestrian Park and the Senior Center Plaza portions of Veterans Memorial Consolidated Park

MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.d) **AB 8487 - Community Investment Strategy: Community Mobility Survey Projects**

City Administrator Bobkiewicz stated that due to the late hour the Administration will plan to move this item to the Nov. 7 City Council meeting as a special order of business prior to the public hearing on the 2023-24 budget.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Mayor Pauly:

Upcoming Council Meetings - Announced anticipated agenda items.

Council President Walsh:

Community Listening Session - Announced that a Community Listening Session will be occurring in Talus on Thursday, Nov. 3.

Deputy Council President Hall:

Advocacy in Olympia - Asked to be included in City of advocacy in Olympia for the legislative session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - None.**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:53 PM.

Mary Lou Pauly, Mayor

Tisha Gieser, City Clerk