

**CITY OF ISSAQUAH  
City Council Regular Meeting**

7:00 PM  
December 5, 2022

**MINUTES**

Council Chambers  
135 E. Sunset Way

**COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT**

*Councilmembers:*

Barbara de Michele  
Zach Hall  
Victoria Hunt  
Russell Joe (*Attended Virtually*)  
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.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

The following public comment was provided:

- Dan Landes, representing the King County Housing Authority, spoke in support of AB 8495, Tibbetts Valley Park Cell Tower Lease Agreement and AB 8494, Interlocal Agreement with King County Housing Authority (Transit Oriented Development and Opportunity Center Project).
- David Namura, representing Lumen, spoke in support of AB 8495, Tibbetts Valley Park Cell Tower Lease Agreement and AB 8494, Interlocal Agreement with King County Housing Authority (Transit Oriented Development and Opportunity Center Project).
- Mark Clemens, representing the Downtown Issaquah Association (DIA), summarized DIA's programs and events over the past year.
- Laylani Ash, resident, spoke about her experience volunteering with the Downtown Issaquah Association.
- Christina Ann, Sammamish resident, spoke regarding her volunteer experience with the Downtown Issaquah Association and Trash for Cash program.
- Ann Stringer, Kent resident, spoke about her experience volunteering with the Downtown Issaquah Association.

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

**COMMITTEE / REGIONAL REPORTS**

*Councilmember Joe:*

Mobility & Infrastructure Committee - December meeting is canceled.

Lodging Tax Advisory Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.  
 Cascade Water Alliance Board - December meeting is canceled.  
 Cascade Water Alliance Finance Committee - December meeting is canceled.

*Councilmember de Michele:*

Association of Washington Cities Federal Legislative Priorities Committee - Made report.  
 HealthierHere Governing Board - Made report.  
 Regional Transit Committee - December meeting is canceled.

*Councilmember Hunt:*

Planning, Development & Environment Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.

*Councilmember Reh:*

King County Growth Management Planning Council - Made report.  
 Eastside Fire & Rescue Board - Announced upcoming meeting.

*Councilmember Marts:*

PSRC Growth Management Policy Board - Announced upcoming meeting.  
 Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.  
 Services, Safety & Parks Committee - December meeting is canceled.

*Council President Walsh:*

King County Affordable Housing Committee - Made report.

## MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor reported on the following topics:

- Executive Session: There is an Executive Session scheduled for this evening to discuss pending/potential litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). This item is expected to take 45 minutes. No action is anticipated in open session.
- In Remembrance of Liz Brooks
- Transit-oriented Development Project
- Cold Weather Events
- 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 1208 - Accounts: Payables and Payroll of Dec. 5, 2022, \$ 2,885,280.41;** Approved.
- b) **Minutes: City Council Committee of the Whole, Sept. 28, 2022;** Approved.
- c) **Minutes: City Council Regular Meeting, Oct. 3, 2022;** Approved.
- d) **Minutes: City Council Committee of the Whole, Oct. 10, 2022;** Approved.

- e) **ID 1107 - Informational Update: Communications Update;** Received Report.
- f) **ID 1117 - Informational Update: Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Plan;** Received Report.
- g) **ID 1119 - Informational Update: Transportation Concurrency Model;** Received Report.
- h) **ID 1302 - Informational Update: Visit Issaquah Annual Report;** Received Report.
- i) **AB 8446 - Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Appointments;** Confirmed the following appointments for the 2023-2024 Lodging Tax Advisory Committee: Matthew McReynolds, John Parizek, Julie Hartwig and Laura Lee.
- j) **AB 8447 - Final 2022 Budget Amendment;** Adopted Ordinance No. 2999, amending the 2022 budget as set forth in Ordinance No. 2961 and amended in Ordinance No. 2970 concerning revenues, expenditures, and fund balance for various funds.
- k) **AB 8457 - Amendments to IMC 13.24.090, Regional Supply and Treatment Charge – Water;** Adopted Ordinance No. 3000, amending IMC 13.24.090(c), general facility charge and regional capital facilities charges – water, in order to update the same with changes to regional capital facilities charges collected on behalf of Cascade Water Alliance and increase the city facilities charge based on the Seattle ENR Construction Cost Index; and establishing an effective date.
- l) **AB 8468 - 2022 Maintenance Overlay Project;** Accepted completion of the 2022 Maintenance Overlay Project and release the retainage to the contractor.
- m) **AB 8472 - Eastside Climate Partnership Interlocal Agreement;** Authorized the Mayor to enter into and execute an Interlocal Agreement with the Eastside Climate Partnership between the Cities of Bellevue, Issaquah, Kirkland, Mercer Island and Redmond to formally establish a partnership to advance progress on environmental, climate change, and energy goals in substantially the same form as set forth in Exhibit A.
- n) **AB 8482 - Reinstatement of Historical and Museum Services Agreement;** Authorized the Mayor to enter into and execute a reinstatement of the Historical and Museum Services Agreement.
- o) **AB 8502 - 2023 Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Visit Issaquah Funding Request;** Approved the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee's recommendation to contract with Visit Issaquah for \$210,000 of tourism promotion and destination marketing services in 2023 and authorized the Mayor to enter into and execute a 2023 contract for Visit Issaquah for the same.
- p) **AB 8512 - State Dept. of Ecology Water Quality Combined Funding Grant FY 2023;** Authorized acceptance of the Department of Ecology FY 2023 Water Quality Combined Funding Program Grant in the amount of \$205,500 for the NW Birch Place Stormwater Treatment Retrofit Project; and authorized the Mayor to enter into and execute the grant agreement with the Department of Ecology.

- q) **AB 8514 - Compost Procurement & Use Ordinance;** Adopted Ordinance No. 3001, adopting compost use and procurement policies as required by state law.
- r) **AB 8515 - 12th Ave NW & SR 900/17th Ave Design Contract Extension;** Authorized the Mayor to enter into and execute Amendment #4 with HDR, Inc. for the 12th Avenue NW & SR 900/17th Ave NE Improvement Project (TR 004) to extend the contract term through April 30, 2023.

## REGULAR BUSINESS

- a) **AB 8495 - Tibbetts Valley Park Cell Tower Lease Agreement**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by Deputy City Administrator Andrea Snyder.

Councilmember Marts, Chair of the Services, Safety & Parks Committee, provided a summary of the Committee's recommendation on this item.

Following Council discussion,

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

Authorize the Mayor to enter into and execute a cell tower lease with Vertical Bridge Towers IV, LLC for a portion of Tibbetts Valley Park in support of the TOD OC project in substantive form; and authorize the City Attorney to make subsequent non-substantive technical and legal edits.

### **MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.**

- b) **AB 8494 - Interlocal Agreement with King County Housing Authority (Transit Oriented Development and Opportunity Center Project)**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by Deputy City Administrator Andrea Snyder.

Councilmember Marts, Chair of the Services, Safety & Parks Committee, provided a summary of the Committee's recommendation on this item.

Following Council discussion,

### **IT WAS MOVED BY MARTS, SECONDED BY REH, TO:**

Authorize the Mayor to enter into and execute the interlocal agreement with King County Housing Authority (KCHA) for the Transit Oriented Development and Opportunity Center Project in substantive form; and authorize the City Attorney to make subsequent non-substantive technical and legal edits.

### **MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.**

- c) **AB 8486 - 2023 City Council Calendar**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by City Clerk Tisha Gieser.

Following Council discussion,

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

Adopt the proposed 2023 City Council calendar.

**IT WAS MOVED BY WALSH, SECONDED BY REH, TO:**

Amend the Feb. 14 M&I Committee meeting to Monday, Feb. 27.

**AMENDMENT CARRIED, 7-0.**

**MAIN MOTION AS ASMENDED CARRIED, 7-0.**

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

*Mayor Pauly:*

Upcoming Council Meetings - Announced anticipated agenda items.

*Councilmember de Michele:*

Eastside Transportation Partnership Legislative Priorities - Asked for feedback on priorities. Councilmember feedback included: consider separating studies from improvements in the Corridors and Infrastructure section, and prioritizing studies.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 9:14 PM, Council recessed into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending/potential litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). The item was expected to take approximately 45 minutes.

Councilmember Joe left the Chamber due to a conflict of interest.

The session was extended by 15 minutes.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The regular meeting reconvened at approximately 10:15 PM. There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 PM.

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Mary Lou Pauly, Mayor

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Tisha Gieser, City Clerk