

**CITY OF ISSAQUAH
City Council Regular Meeting**

7:00 PM
January 2, 2024

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 1561 - Swearing in Ceremony, Oaths of Office**

Judge Stewart provided the Oath of Office to:

- Zach Hall, Council Position No. 2
- Lindsey Walsh, Council Position No. 4
- Victoria Hunt, Council Position No. 6

b) **AB 8737 - Election of Council President and Deputy Council President for 2024**

Mayor Pauly opened the nominations for 2024 Council President.

Councilmember Hall nominated Lindsey Walsh as Council President.

There being no further nominations, the Mayor announced nominations are closed.

LINDSEY WALSH WAS ELECTED AS COUNCIL PRESIDENT, 7-0.

Mayor Pauly opened the nominations for 2024 Deputy Council President.

Councilmember Joe nominated Barb de Michele as Deputy Council President.

There being no further nominations, the Mayor announced nominations are closed.

BARB DE MICHELE WAS ELECTED AS DEPUTY COUNCIL PRESIDENT, 7-0.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS - None.

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 DE MICHELE; MOTION CARRIED (7-0), TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

- a) **ID 1580 - Accounts: Payables and Payroll of Jan. 2, 2024, \$12,634,073.49;** Approved.
- b) **Minutes: City Council Regular Meeting, Sept. 5, 2023;** Approved.
- c) **AB 8663 - 2024 City Council Calendar;** Approved Resolution No. 2024-01, adopting a City Council calendar for 2024; and
Approved Resolution No. 2024-02, amending sections 4.02, 5.01 and 6.01 of the City Council rules of procedure regarding adoption of an annual meeting resolution; and
Adopted Ordinance No. 3043, amending chapter 2.06 of the Issaquah Municipal Code regarding Council meetings to reflect adoption of an annual meeting resolution; providing for severability and establishing an effective date.
- d) **AB 8739 - Donation Acceptance: Julius Boehm Pool Starting Platforms;** Adopted Ordinance No. 3044, accepting donations toward the purchase of new starting platforms at the Julius Boehm Pool to be used for competitions and events.
- e) **AB 8687 - Vacation of a Portion of 2nd Avenue SE;** Approved Resolution No. 2024-03, setting a public hearing date of February 5, 2024, to consider vacation of right of way for a portion of 2nd Avenue SE.
- f) **AB 8742 - Department of Commerce Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update Grant;** Authorized acceptance of grant funds in the amount of \$62,500 and execution of the grant agreement with the Washington State Department of Commerce for the Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update Grant in substantially the same form as the attached agreement (Exhibit A), as approved by the City Attorney.
- g) **AB 8745 - American Tower Affidavit of Agent Authority for Equipment Replacement;** Authorized the Mayor to sign the affidavit of agent authority to allow American Tower and T-Mobile to apply for land use permits for the minor equipment modifications at 2285 Squak Mountain Road.
- h) **AB 8748 - 2023 Maintenance Overlay Vehicle Traffic Signal Detection Installation (TR 030-2) Project;** Accepted completion of the 2023 Vehicle Traffic Signal Detection Installation Project (TR 030-2) and release of the retainage to the contractor.
- i) **AB 8751 - Highlands Signal Pole Painting Project (TR 056);** Accepted completion of the Highlands Signal Pole Painting Project (TR 056) and release of the retainage to the contractor.

- j) **AB 8754 - Strategic Small Capital Projects (TR 058), Change Order 5**; Authorized Change Order 5 in the amount of \$31,552.27 (including sales tax) to Laser Underground & Earthworks, Inc. for the Strategic Small Capital Projects (Project TR 058).
- k) **AB 8755 - 2023 Concrete Maintenance Project (TR 054) Project**; Accepted completion of the 2023 Concrete Maintenance Project (TR 054) and release of the retainage to the contractor.

REGULAR BUSINESS

- a) **AB 8749 - Municipal Building Decarbonization Study Resolution**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by Sustainability Coordinator David Reedy.

IT WAS MOVED BY MARRTS, SECONDED BY JOE, TO:

Approve Resolution No. 2024-04, declaring the intent of the City to study opportunities and challenges to decarbonize City-owned buildings in response to climate change and to include the proposed amendment to Section 1.

MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.

COMMITTEE / REGIONAL REPORTS

Councilmember Joe:

Cascade Water Alliance Public Affairs Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.

Cascade Water Alliance Special Board Meeting - Announced upcoming meeting.

Lodging Tax Advisory Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Hall:

Eastside Fire & Rescue Board - Announced upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Hunt:

Planning, Development & Environment Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Reh:

Mobility & Infrastructure Committee - The January meeting has been canceled.

Ad Hoc Financial Policy Committee - Made report. Announced upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Marts:

Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.

Services, Safety & Parks Committee - Made report.

Deputy Council President de Michele:

Eastside Human Services Forum - Made report. Announced upcoming meeting.

Eastside Transportation Partnership - Announced upcoming meeting.

Regional Transit Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.

Council President Walsh:

Puget Sound Regional Council Growth Management Policy Board - Announced upcoming meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT - None.

GOOD OF THE ORDERa) *Mayor Pauly:*

Upcoming Council Meetings - Announced anticipated agenda items.

Cascade Water Alliance Board - Will be reaching out to the CWA regarding involvement of Board members.

Puget Sound Regional Council - Shared that there is a shift to change the grant funding strategy that would have significant negative impacts to Central Issaquah.

b) *Council President Walsh:*

Council Appointment Surveys - Please return these by Friday, Jan. 5.

AWC City Action Days - Occurring next month.

Council Retreat - Save the date for the first retreat on Saturday, Feb. 3.

Councilmember Marts:

Terry Lukens - Announced the passing of Mr. Lukens who was a long-time public servant.

Councilmember Hall:

Travel Request - Requested Council approval for travel and lodging funds to attend the Local Government 2030 Conference. There being no objection, the request was approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - None.**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Mary Lou Pauly, Mayor

Tisha Gieser, City Clerk