

CITY OF ISSAQUAH
City Council Regular Meeting

7:00 PM
 September 16, 2024

MINUTES

Council Chambers
 135 E. Sunset Way

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATION ATTENDANCE

Present: Mayor Mary Lou Pauly, Deputy Council President Barbara de Michele, Councilmember Zach Hall, Councilmember Victoria Hunt, Councilmember Russell Joe, Councilmember Tola Marts, Council President Lindsey Walsh
(Attended Virtually due to Illness)

Excused Absence: Councilmember Chris Reh

Staff Present: 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 1757 - Recognition of Human Services Manager Monica Negrila**
 Mayor Pauly recognized Human Services Manager Monica Negrila and thanked her for her years of service.

- b) **ID 1763 - Recognition of Security Analyst Ons Saleh**
 Chief Information Officer Gus Tiwana recognized Security Analyst Ons Saleh and thanked him for his years of service.

- c) **ID 1705 - Diaper Need Awareness Week Proclamation**
 Deputy Council President de Michele presented the proclamation to KidVantage's Executive Director Jack Edgerton.

- d) **ID 1710 - Fishaquah Proclamation**
 Councilmember Hall presented the proclamation to Greater Issaquah Chamber of Commerce President and Executive Director Julie Hartwig and Sammy the Salmon.

- e) **ID 1701 - Constitution Day Proclamation**
 Mayor Pauly presented the proclamation to Court Administrator Kristi Schorn and Judicial Specialist Nikki Meister.

f) **ID 1703 - Information Technology (IT) Professionals Day Proclamation**

Councilmember Hunt presented the proclamation to Administrative Services Director Autumn Monahan, Chief Information Officer Gus Tiwana, Senior Application Analyst Brian Oevermann, IT Supervisor Andrew Griffin, Systems Analyst Gianni Castellanos, Technician Kyle Stewart, and Senior IT Project Manager Kevin Tam.

g) **ID 1704 - Human Resources Professional Day Proclamation**

Councilmember Joe presented the proclamation to Human Resources Director Stephanie Johnson, HR Analyst Jennifer Zink, HR Coordinator Lisa Gould and Recruitment and Retention Coordinator Carmen Chamberlain.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

The following public comment was provided:

- Michael Wang, resident, urged the City Council to consider an outdoor archery range in Issaquah.
- Clark Halvorsen, representing Eastside for All, also urged the City Council to consider an outdoor archery range in Issaquah.
- Phil Peterson, resident, spoke in support of the Squak Mountain non-motorized improvements and requested an exclusive bike line not be included and instead the multi-use shoulder be retained.
- Kim Lee, representing Rhoad Stone, spoke in support of AB 8890 - Lakeside Transfer of Development Rights.
- Connie Marsh, resident, spoke regarding both support of and concerns with AB 8782 - Newport Way NW Landslide Stabilization Project WSDOT Local Agency Agreement Supplement #2 and AB 8890 - Lakeside Transfer of Development Rights.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

It was moved by Deputy Council President Barbara de Michele, seconded by Councilmember Tola Marts, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion Carried (6-0).

a) **ID 1736 - Accounts: Payables and Payroll of Sept. 16, 2024, \$5,788,590.82**

MOTION: Approved.

b) **Minutes: City Council Regular Meeting, May 20, 2024**

MOTION: Approved.

c) **Minutes: City Council Regular Meeting, July 8, 2024**

MOTION: Approved.

d) **City Council Committee of the Whole, July 15, 2024**

MOTION: Approved.

e) **City Council Committee of the Whole, July 16, 2024**

MOTION: Approved.

f) **City Council Regular Meeting, July 22, 2024**

MOTION: Approved.

g) **AB 8782 - Newport Way NW Landslide Stabilization Project WSDOT Local Agency Agreement Supplement #2, Construction Funding**

MOTION: Authorized the acceptance of Emergency Relief (ER) grant funds in the amount of \$2,392,560 for the construction phase of the Newport Way Landslide Stabilization Project and execution of the Local Agency Agreement Supplement and Project Prospectus with WSDOT in substantially the same form as Exhibits B and C, as approved by the City Attorney; and authorized the inclusion of \$2,750,695 for the Newport Way Landslide Stabilization Project in a subsequent 2024 budget amendment.

h) **AB 8888 - 2025 School Impact Fees**

MOTION: Adopted Ordinance No. 3073, amending Subsection 3.63.100(A) of the Issaquah Municipal Code to revise the amount of the school impact fee imposed by the City effective January 1, 2025.

i) **AB 8903 - Puget Sound Energy Lighting Services Agreement**

MOTION: Authorized the Mayor to enter into and execute the Master Lighting Services Agreement with Puget Sound Energy (Exhibit A) for future Street Lighting Orders associated with Public Works Projects.

j) **AB 8909 - 2023 Maintenance Overlay Project**

MOTION: Accepted completion of the 2023 Maintenance Overlay Project and release of the retainage to the contractor.

REGULAR BUSINESS

a) **AB 8881 - 2025 ARCH Work Program and Budget**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by Senior Planner Christen Leeson and ARCH Executive Director Lindsay Masters.

It was moved by Deputy Council President Barbara de Michele; seconded by Councilmember Tola Marts, to:

MOTION: Approve the 2025 Administrative Work Program and Budget for A Regional Coalition for Housing (ARCH) as recommended by the ARCH Executive Board.

RESULT:	Carried 6-0
IN FAVOR:	Deputy Council President Barbara de Michele, Councilmember Zach Hall, Councilmember Victoria Hunt, Councilmember Russell Joe, Councilmember Tola Marts, and Council President Lindsey Walsh
OPPOSED:	None
ABSENT:	Councilmember Chris Reh

- b) **AB 8901 - Reallocation of ARCH Funds for the Redmond Supportive Housing Project**
Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by ARCH Executive Director Lindsay Masters.

It was moved by Deputy Council President Barbara de Michele; seconded by Councilmember Tola Marts, to:

MOTION: Approve Resolution No. 2024-21, authorizing the reallocation of funding from the Kenmore Supportive Housing Project to the Redmond Supportive Housing Project and authorizing the duly-appointed administering agency for ARCH to execute all documents necessary for funding, as recommended by the ARCH Executive Board, utilizing funds from the City’s Housing Trust Fund.

RESULT:	Carried 6-0
IN FAVOR:	Deputy Council President Barbara de Michele, Councilmember Zach Hall, Councilmember Victoria Hunt, Councilmember Russell Joe, Councilmember Tola Marts, and Council President Lindsey Walsh
OPPOSED:	None
ABSENT:	Councilmember Chris Reh

- c) **AB 8890 - Lakeside Transfer of Development Rights**
Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by Community Planning & Development Director Minnie Dhaliwal and Parks & Community Services Director Jeff Watling.

Councilmember Hunt, Chair of the Planning, Development & Environment Committee, summarized the Committee's recommendation on this item.

It was moved by Deputy Council President Barbara de Michele; seconded by Councilmember Victoria Hunt, to:

MOTION: Authorize the transfer to Lakeside Industries, Inc. of 100 TDR units as described herein to comply with Lakeside Development Agreement provisions, and authorize the execution of all necessary documentation for the TDR transfer.

RESULT:	Carried 6-0
IN FAVOR:	Deputy Council President Barbara de Michele, Councilmember Zach Hall, Councilmember Victoria Hunt, Councilmember Russell Joe, Councilmember Tola Marts, and Council President Lindsey Walsh
OPPOSED:	None
ABSENT:	Councilmember Chris Reh

COMMITTEE / REGIONAL REPORTS

Councilmember Joe:

Cascade Water Alliance Board - Announced upcoming meeting.
 Cascade Water Alliance Public Affairs Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.
 Lodging Tax Advisory Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Hall:

Eastside Fire & Rescue Finance & Administration Committee - Made report.

Councilmember Hunt:

Planning, Development & Environment Committee - Made report.
 WRIA8 Salmon Recovery Council - Announced upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Marts:

Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee - Made report.
 Services, Safety & Parks Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.

Deputy Council President de Michele:

Eastside Human Services Forum - Made report.
 Eastside Transportation Partnership - Made report.
 Regional Transit Committee - Meeting canceled.

Council President Walsh:

Puget Sound Regional Council Growth Management Policy Board - Announced upcoming meeting.
 King County Affordable Housing Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor reported on the following topics:

- Executive Session: There will be an Executive Session this evening to discuss Pending/Potential Litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). This is expected to take approximately 30 minutes.
- Issaquah Farmers Market EBT and Market Match Program
- Visit the Issaquah Salmon Hatchery
- Issaquah Arts - The Arts Sanctuary on this Harvest Moon

INFORMATIONAL UPDATES**a) ID 1756 - Informational Update: 2023-24 General Fund Budget Update**

Interim Chief Financial Officer Andrea Snyder provided an overview of the 2023-24 General Fund Budget.

b) ID 1761 - Informational Update: Parks & Community Services Dept. Summer Highlights

A presentation was not made on this item. This item will be shared with the City Council in writing.

GOOD OF THE ORDER*Councilmember de Michele:*

Influence the Choice - Shared a 13-year impact report from Influence the Choice.

Councilmember Hunt:

Summer Programs - Appreciated the increase in Parks Dept. program capacity this summer.

Council President Walsh:
Carbon Initiative - Tentatively scheduled to come to Council on Oct. 7.

Mayor Pauly:
Upcoming Council Meetings - Announced anticipated agenda items.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:08 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 15 minutes. The session was extended by 5 minutes.

- a) **ID 1758 - Executive Session - Pending/Potential Litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)**

OPEN SESSION

The open meeting reconvened at 10:31 PM.

It was moved by Deputy Council President Barbara de Michele; seconded by Councilmember Tola Marts, to:

MOTION: Approve settlement of the McGrath litigation as discussed in Executive Session and for the Administration to execute documents necessary to effectuate such settlement; and to approve settlement of the Wiley litigation as discussed in Executive Session and for the Administration to execute documents necessary to effectuate such settlement; and to approve settlement of the Salman litigation as discussed in Executive Session and for the Administration to execute documents necessary to effectuate such settlement.

RESULT:	Carried 6-0
IN FAVOR:	Deputy Council President Barbara de Michele, Councilmember Zach Hall, Councilmember Victoria Hunt, Councilmember Russell Joe, Councilmember Tola Marts, and Council President Lindsey Walsh
OPPOSED:	None
ABSENT:	Councilmember Chris Reh

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 10:32 PM.

Mary Lou Pauly, Mayor

Tisha Gieser, City Clerk