

**CITY OF ISSAQUAH  
City Council Regular Meeting**

7:00 PM  
October 21, 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, Councilmember Chris Reh, and Council President Lindsey Walsh

**Excused Absence:**

**Staff Present:** Wally Bobkiewicz, City Administrator, Andrea Snyder, Deputy City Administrator, Rachel Bender Turpin, City Attorney, Tisha Gieser, City Clerk, and Chris Grabowski, Deputy 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 1709 - Hindu American Heritage Month Proclamation**

Mayor Pauly presented the proclamation to Suresh Pillai and other members of the Hindu American Foundation.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

The following public comment was provided:

- Chris Reichley, resident, made comments regarding ID 1759 - Informational Update: Work Plan and Capital Improvement Plan Quarter 3 Update.

**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 1738 - Accounts: Payables and Payroll of Oct. 21, 2024, \$5,802,163.65**

**MOTION:** Approved.

**b) Minutes: City Council Committee of the Whole, July 27**

**MOTION:** Approved.

c) **Minutes: City Council Regular Meeting, Sept. 16, 2024**

**MOTION:** Approved.

d) **Minutes: City Council Special Meeting, Sept. 28, 2024**

**MOTION:** Approved.

e) **Minutes: City Council Regular Meeting, Oct. 7, 2024**

**MOTION:** Approved.

f) **ID 1720 - Informational Update: Economic Development Quarterly Report - Q3 2024**

**MOTION:** Received Report.

g) **AB 8913 - Memorandum of Understanding with Washington State Council of County and City Employees Issaquah Administrative Staff Association (AFSCME) and Public, Professional and Office-Clerical Employees and Drivers (Teamsters 763) re: One Year Contract Extension**

**MOTION:** Ratified the Memorandums of Understanding between the Washington State Council of County and City Employees Issaquah Administrative Staff Association (AFSCME) and Public, Professional and Office-Clerical Employees and Drivers (Teamsters 763) regarding the one-year contract extension and authorized the Mayor to execute the Memorandums of Understanding; and directed the Human Resources Director to amend the master salary ordinance to incorporate the revised wages in a subsequent amendment.

h) **AB 8916 - Department of Commerce Climate Planning Grant Amendment**

**MOTION:** Authorized acceptance of the additional climate planning grant funds in the amount of \$220,000, for a total of \$500,000, and execution of the grant agreement amendment with Department of Commerce for the climate planning initiatives.

## REGULAR BUSINESS

a) **AB 8894 - School Zone Speed Camera**

The Mayor announced that the Administration is postponing the Regular Business item on tonight's agenda, AB 8894 - School Zone Speed Camera, to the Nov. 25th City Council meeting to allow staff time to pull together some requested information.

## COMMITTEE / REGIONAL REPORTS

*Councilmember Joe:*

Cascade Water Alliance Board - Announced upcoming meeting.

Cascade Water Alliance Finance & Management Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.

Lodging Tax Advisory Committee - Announced upcoming meeting.

Greater Issaquah Chamber of Commerce - Made report.

*Councilmember Hall:*

Eastside Fire & Rescue Finance and Administrative Committee - Made report. Announced upcoming meeting.

Eastside Transportation Partnership - Made report. Announced upcoming meeting.

*Councilmember Hunt:*

Release of Kokanee Salmon Frye at Lake Sammamish State Park - Attended this event.

Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee - Made report.

*Councilmember Reh:*

Mobility & Infrastructure Committee - Made report.

*Councilmember Marts:*

Services, Safety & Parks Committee - Made report.

*Deputy Council President de Michele:*

Eastside Human Services Forum - Made report.

Regional Transit Committee - Made report.

*Council President Walsh:*

City & Issaquah School District Leadership Meeting - Announced upcoming meeting.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor reported on the following topics:

- Executive Session: There will not be an Executive Session this evening.
- Visit Issaquah Earns Destination Stewardship Award at State of WA Tourism Conference
- City of Issaquah Receives WSDOT City Safety Program Grant for Pedestrian Crossing Safety Improvements

**INFORMATIONAL UPDATES**

a) **ID 1759 - Informational Update: Work Plan and Capital Improvement Plan Quarter 3 Update**

Management Analyst Gillian Straub provided a third quarter update on the City-wide Work Plan and Capital Improvement Plan projects.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER***Councilmember Marts:*

Issaquah Swedish Hospital Stay - Grateful for having this resource nearby and for receiving so many well wishes.

*Deputy Council President de Michele:*

Candidate Forum - The forum was recorded and the video is available on YouTube. Remember to vote!

*Mayor Pauly:*

Cougar Mountain Zoo Ribbon Cutting - Shared the event that occurred at the new facility earlier today.

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 8:04 PM.

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Mary Lou Pauly, Mayor

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Tisha Gieser, City Clerk