

**CITY OF ISSAQUAH
City Council Special Meeting**

7:00 PM
October 26, 2020

Virtual Meeting

MINUTES

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Alternate Meeting Format: On March 6, 2020 the Mayor declared a civil emergency due to the outbreak of novel coronavirus (COVID-19). On March 24, 2020 the Governor issued Proclamation 20-28 prohibiting open public meetings from occurring in person. The proclamation has been extended to Nov. 9, 2020. Due to these factors, the meeting was held using a remote meeting platform.

Councilmembers:

Barbara de Michele
Stacy Goodman
Zach Hall
Victoria Hunt
Tola Marts
Chris Reh
Lindsey Walsh

Administration/Staff:

Mary Lou Pauly, Mayor
Wally Bobkiewicz, City Administrator
Jim Haney, City Attorney
Tisha Gieser, Deputy City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pauly called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

AGENDA ITEMS

a) **Public Comment**

The following individuals provided comments:

- Ann Fletcher, representing People for Climate Action, spoke in support of the proposed Environmental Board, asked how the environmental impacts of transportation projects would be shared with the Environmental Board, and suggested that the Board needs a mechanism to measure and report on progress toward overall City environmental goals.
- Connie Marsh, Squak Mountain, spoke regarding the process for environmental review of transportation projects and suggested environmental impacts be made a part of the public process and captured in a database.

c) **AB 7941 - Establishing Environmental Board and Repealing IMC 18.03, Regarding the River & Streams Board**

Introduced by Mayor Pauly and presented by Sustainability Coordinator Megan Curtis Murphy.

Council President Hunt summarized email comments received on this item.

Following Council discussion,

IT WAS MOVED BY HUNT, SECONDED BY GOODMAN, TO:

Adopt Ordinance No. 2923, repealing Sections 18.03.400-.430 of the Issaquah Municipal Code related to the River and Streams Board; dissolving the River and Streams Board; amending Sections 18.10.410, 18.19B.270 and 18.19C.270 of the Issaquah Municipal Code to remove

references to the River and Streams Board; and establishing an Environmental Board in Chapter 18.03, Administration.

IT WAS MOVED BY GOODMAN, SECONDED BY HUNT, TO:

Amend Subsection 18.03.540(A)(8) of Duties and responsibilities of the ordinance as follows:

“8. Carry out other duties as may be prescribed by City ordinance, or as directed by the Mayor or City Council.”

AMENDMENT CARRIED, 7-0.

MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED CARRIED, 7-0.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:08 PM.

Tisha Gieser, Deputy City Clerk

Mary Lou Pauly, Mayor