

CITY OF ISSAQUAH
City Council Special Meeting – Legislative Breakfast

7:45 AM
June 18, 2026

Tibbetts Manor, 750 17th Ave.
NW, Issaquah

MINUTES

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATION ATTENDANCE

City Council & Administration Present:
Mayor Mark Mullet
Councilmember Paul Adair
Councilmember Erika Boyd
Deputy Council President Kelly Jiang
Councilmember Russell Joe
Councilmember Kevin Nichols
Councilmember Lindsey Walsh

Legislators Present:
Senator Victoria Hunt, 5th District
Senator Lisa Wellman, 41st District
Representative Lisa Callan, 5th District
Representative Zach Hall, 5th District
Representative My-Linh Thai, 41st District
Representative Janice Zahn, 41st District

Excused Absence: Council President Marts

Staff Present: Andrea Lehner, Deputy City Administrator; Autumn Monahan, Administrative Services Director; Dale Markey-Crimp, Assistant to the City Administrator; Gillian Straub, Management Analyst; Shelly Helder, Government Affairs Specialist and Tisha Gieser, City Clerk

Legislative Breakfast with Legislators from the 5th and 41st Districts

Mayor Mullet called the meeting to order at 7:59 AM.

a) Introductions and Welcome

Mayor Mullet facilitated introductions.

The following public comment was provided:

- David Kappler, resident, spoke regarding the need for improvements to State Route 900.

b) Preview Areas of City Interest

Mayor Mullet shared that the City Council will be forming an Ad Hoc Committee to work on the Legislative Agenda. The Mayor thanked the legislative delegation for their commitment to the State Route 18 project during the past legislative session.

c) Legislative Delegation on Municipal Issues

The state legislators shared their thoughts about the 2026 legislative session and priorities for the upcoming 2027 legislative session.

City Councilmembers asked questions and shared input including:

- Suggest looking closely at fiscal notes requiring reporting by state agencies.
- If looking at policy efficiencies, encourage a focus on reducing burdens on cities.

- The City is still working on implementing recent legislative land use code changes. If wanting to make future changes, suggest looking at the building code.

d) **Closing Comments**

Mayor Mullet thanked the attendees and suggested the group meet again in early December.

The City will share the Legislative Agenda as soon as it is finalized.

e) **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 a.m.

Tisha Gieser, City Clerk