

CITY OF ISSAQUAH
Human Services Commission

6:30 PM
 June 18, 2025

Senior Center, 75 NE Creek
 Way

MINUTES

COMMISSION AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Commissioners:

Jaime Fajardo, Chair
 Manny Brown, *virtual attendance*
 Maury Edwards, *virtual attendance*
 Madeline Fish
 Huma Mohibullah
 Jaydianette Ramirez
 Ray Manahan
 Beau Pulliam,
 Trish Bloor, *excused*

Administration/Staff:

Hannah Roberts, Human Services
 Coordinator Andrea Snyder, Deputy City
 Administrator
 Jack Pedlow, Economic Development
 Coordinator
 Thomas Valdriz, Sr. Transportation Planner

Guest Speakers:

Brenne Schario, Executive Director
 Carol Schneider, Board President
 Cris Wilkinson, Board Vice President

SPECIAL JOINT MEETING

Please note, this agenda also serves as the special meeting notice pursuant to RCW 42.30.080.

Purpose: This is a special joint meeting with the Economic Vitality Commission to provide an introduction to Central Issaquah Station and Alignment Study. You may join the meeting in-person at the address above, or virtually using the following options:

CALL TO ORDER

CHAIR Jaime Fajardo called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments for the June 18th meeting with two members from the public present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Minutes of May 21, 2025.

FAJARDO introduced the minutes of May 21, 2025. Commissioner Edwards motioned to approve the minutes of May 21, 2025 as presented. Commissioner MOHIBULLAH seconded the motion, there was unanimous consent to approve the minutes as presented.

AGENDA ITEMS

- b) **Bridge Disability Ministries, Meyer Medical Equipment Center:** Human Services Non-Profit Organization Presentation

Presented by:

Brenne Schario, Executive Director

Executive Director Brenne Schario from Bridge Disability Ministries presented an overview of services, Issaquah specific impact, challenges and trends their organization is currently experiencing.

Issaquah Community Services, Financial Assistance Program: Human Services Non-Profit Organization Presentation

Presented by:

Carol Schneider, Board President

Cris Wilkinson, Board Vice President

Board President Carol Schneider and Board Vice President Cris Wilkinson from Issaquah Community Services presented an overview of services, Issaquah specific impact, challenges and trends their organization is currently experiencing.

Central Issaquah Station & Alignment Study Introduction Presentation

Presented by:

Thomas Valdriz, Sr. Transportation Planner

Senior Transportation Planner VALDRIZ presented on the updates and timeline of Central Issaquah Station and the Alignment Study fielding questions and comments from commissioners. These included:

- Does Sound Transit have site veto powers?
 - Sound Transit is the final decision maker, Issaquah will be playing an advocacy role in the process
- Did Sound Transit choose the site that was proposed in recent locations (Redmond, Federal Way, Lynnwood, etc.)?
 - Sound Transit chose sites that included some recommendations and values that the cities brought forth but ultimately chose the sites that Sound Transit thought fit best.
 - The City of Issaquah is trying to work their processes around the best practices and learnings that these cities set forth
- The City of Issaquah is making sure to consider outside organization (KC Metro, etc.) needs to help make a strong case to Sound Transit.
- Sound Transit and KC Metro will have buses between the site and Highlands to improve connectivity

OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

There was no other business or announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 PM.

The next Human Services Commission meeting is currently scheduled for July 16, 2025.