



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR HYBRID MEETING APRIL 19, 2022

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

School Board President Maggie Tucker called the joint meeting to order at 5:00 pm in the MISD Administration Building Board Room located at 4160 86th Ave SE Mercer Island, Washington.

Mayor Salim Nice, Deputy Mayor David Rosenbaum and Councilmembers, Jake Jacobson, Craig Reynolds, Wendy Weiker (arrived at 5:10pm), and Ted Weinberg were present.

Councilmember Lisa Anderl was absent.

JOINT MEETING BUSINESS

The School Board thanked the City Council for their support of the school district levies and discussed what is next on the horizon for levies for MISD.

Mayor Nice discussed the Parks levies that is being looked at for renewal in 2023 and engagement that will be occurring with the community.

District representatives offered an update on renovation projects at the South Mercer Playfields, the MIHS library, and the MIHS Culinary Arts program.

Executive Director Bergstrom recognized the City's contributions, both financial and time/effort, in partnering on the fields renovation project. Executive Director Bergstrom also relayed that the District will begin renovations of the MIHS Performing Arts Center, including lights and sound updates, this summer and will continue into the 2022-23 school year.

City Manager Bon and Chief of Operations Jason Kintner provided an update on the City's capital projects, including security upgrades for the City Hall entrance. They also indicated that a new "Construction ILA" (Inter-Local Agreement) is currently in the works and the "Fields ILA" will be discussed at a later date.

Superintendent Colosky discussed the goals of the District's Long-Term Facilities Master Plan (LFMP), and Vice President D'Souza recognized other long-term objectives not included in the LFMP, suggesting that MISD and the City may wish to collaborate on common goals.

Mayor Nice indicated that the City Council has agreed to develop a comprehensive long-term plan for the next biennium and provided updates on current projects (e.g., Island Crest safety analysis) and funding. Federal grant deadlines are approaching rapidly (some as early as May 30 and June 6). Councilmember Weiker suggested that the City and MISD might wish to discuss shared objectives in looking at potential grant applications.

Superintendent Colosky discussed the development of a Long-Term Transportation Plan, including a move toward and infrastructure for electric buses. The plan will be used to determine timing on a transportation levy or levies. Executive Director Bergstrom acknowledged that many items with respect to electric buses still need to be ironed out (e.g., shared charging at area schools when attending events).

Deputy Mayor Rosenbaum recognized that the City and MISD may wish to discuss common infrastructure needs.

Once light rail is up and running, President Tucker acknowledged a potential future discussion between the City and MISD on transportation between the station and District schools.

It was noted that Councilmember Lisa Anderl had a conflicting meeting with the Utility Board and regretted

being unable to attend the linkage

Councilmember Weiker offered the Council's congratulations to the MIHS Marching Band for their invitation to perform in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in 2023.

Superintendent Colosky acknowledged that she nominated Police Chief Ed Holmes for the Washington Association of School Administrators' (WASA) Community Leadership Award in recognition of his outstanding contribution to education by fostering a strong collaborative relationship between MISD and the Mercer Island Police Department.

ADJOURNMENT

Salim Nice, Mayor

Attest:

Andrea Larson, City Clerk