



REVISED CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

SPECIAL HYBRID MEETING

MAY 16, 2023

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor Salim Nice called the Special Hybrid Meeting to order at 5:03 pm from a remote location.

Mayor Salim Nice, Deputy Mayor David Rosenbaum and Councilmember Lisa Anderl, Jake Jacobson, Craig Reynolds, Wendy Weiker, and Ted Weinberg participated remotely using Zoom.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The City Council delivered the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL

It was moved by Weinberg; seconded by Reynolds to:

Approve the agenda.

PASSED: 7-0

FOR: 7 (Anderl, Jacobson, Nice, Reynolds, Rosenbaum, Weiker, and Weinberg)

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Jessi Bon reported on the following items:

- **Council, Boards & Commission Meetings** Provided an update on the City Hall closure, including that City Hall will be temporarily closed through the summer. Upcoming meetings, City Council Mid-Year Planning Session on May 23, and City Council Meeting on June 6. Upcoming Parks & Recreation Commission meeting on June 1. Candidate Filing Week with King County is May 15-19. Council Candidate Orientation is on June 8.
- **City Services Updates:** Upcoming I-90 closure tentatively scheduled for May 19-22; staff are working with WSDOT on the closure. There is an additional WSDOT nightly closure on I-90 May 23 and on May 31. Bike Skills Area work is progressing and is expected to open for use this fall.
- **Upcoming Events:** Mercer Island Farmers Market kicks off on June 4. Summer Celebration is on July 15, including the return of the community parade.
- **News:** Welcome new firefighters Mason Jones and Josh McCarthy.

APPEARANCES

Audrey Covner, Mercer Island, spoke in support of AB 6270 regarding Business Zone permitted use.

Anjli Grant, Seattle, spoke in support of AB 6270 regarding Business Zone permitted use.

CONSENT AGENDA

AB 6266: May 5, 2023 Payroll Certification.

Recommended Action: Approve the May 5, 2023 Payroll Certification (Exhibit 1) in the amount of \$1,026,394.65 and authorize the Mayor to sign the certification on behalf of the entire City Council.

Certification of Claims:

A. Check Register | 215599-215733 | 4/28/2023 | \$1,623,755.92

B. Check Register | 215735-215804 | 5/5/2023 | \$743,766.16

Recommended Action: Certify that the City Council has reviewed the documentation supporting claims paid and approved all checks or warrants issued in payment of claims.

City Council Meeting Minutes of:

A. April 25, 2023 Special Hybrid Meeting

B. May 2, 2023 Special Hybrid Meeting

Recommended Action: Approve the minutes of the April 25, 2023 Special Hybrid Meeting and of the May 2, 2023 Special Hybrid Meeting.

AB 6267: Public Display of Firework Permit Issuance

Recommended Action: Approve City of Mercer Island Fire Marshal's recommendation to issue a operational permit for Western Display Fireworks LTD a public display of fireworks to be discharged per the permit conditions at Summer Celebration on July 15, 2023 at 2200hrs (10:00 pm) pursuant to MICC 8.35.020(C).

AB 6268: Luther Burbank Park Docks and Waterfront Art in Public Places Project

Recommended Action: Appropriate \$50,000 from the 1% for Art in Public Places Fund and authorize the City Manager to execute an artist agreement with Marsha Rollinger to complete phase 1 of the Luther Burbank Park Docks and Waterfront Art in Public Places project.

AB 6271: Safe Boating and Paddling Week, Proclamation No. 309

Recommended Action: Approve Proclamation No. 309 proclaiming May 20-26, 2023 as Safe Boating and Paddling Week.

It was moved by Jacobson; seconded by Weinberg to:

Approve the Consent Agenda and the recommended actions contained therein.

PASSED: 7-0

FOR: 7 (Anderl, Jacobson, Nice, Reynolds, Rosenbaum, Weiker, and Weinberg)

REGULAR BUSINESS

AB 6270: Development Code Amendment – Business Zone Permitted Uses – First Reading of Ordinance No. 23C-08

CPD Director Jeff Thomas and Deputy CPD Director Alison Van Gorp presented background information on this code amendment, spoke about the legislative review process this amendment has gone through with Planning Commission and the City Council, and presented the Planning Commission recommendation on the proposed amendment.

Planning Commissioner Michael Murphy spoke about the Planning Commission recommendation and rationale in making the recommendation to the City Council.

The City Council asked questions about the amendment.

It was moved by **Jacobson**; seconded by **Anderl** to:

Direct staff to amend the draft Ordinance No. 23C-08 to limit the proposal to amend MICC 19.04.050 for only the addition of a school use and to set the second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 23C-08 for June 6, 2023

PASSED: 6-1

FOR: 6 (Anderl, Jacobson, Nice, Rosenbaum, Weiker, and Weinberg)

AGAINST: 1 (Reynolds)

AB 6269: Financial Status Update for the First Quarter 2023 and Budget Amending Ordinance

Finance Director Matt Mornick presented the financial status update for First Quarter 2023. He presented a budget versus actual overview of the General Fund and Utility Funds, discussed General Fund revenues that are exceeding budget expectations, spoke about REET revenues, and presented Thrift Shop net profits.

The City Council asked questions about the financial update.

It was moved by Weiker; seconded by Reynolds to:

Adopt Ordinance No. 23-06, amending the 2023-2024 Biennial Budget

PASSED: 7-0

FOR (Anderl, Jacobson, Nice, Reynolds, Rosenbaum, Weiker, and Weinberg)

OTHER BUSINESS

Planning Schedule

City Manager Jessi Bon spoke about City Council meetings being on Zoom through July. The public will be able to watch the meetings and provide public comments at the Mercer Island Community and Event Center. The Mid-year Planning Session is on May 23. On June 6, there will be a joint meeting with the Utility Board to get an after-action report from the April Water emergency.

Councilmember Absences and Reports

Councilmember Weiker will be late to the July 18 meeting.

Mayor Nice spoke about the May 17 GMPC where they will be discussing the Urban Growth Area.

Councilmember Reynolds reported that at the May 3 Parks & Recreation Commission they received an update from King County Library, and approved the recommendation to Council on the Audrey Davis Park trail safety improvements.

Councilmember Weinberg reported about the May 10 Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:24 pm, Mayor Nice convened an Executive Session via Microsoft Teams. The Executive Session was to discuss with legal counsel pending or potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(l).

Mayor Salim Nice, Deputy Mayor David Rosenbaum and Councilmembers Lisa Anderl, Jake Jacobson, Craig Reynolds, Wendy Weiker, and Ted Weinberg via Microsoft Teams.

Mayor Nice adjourned the Executive Session at 6:56 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

The Special Hybrid Council Meeting adjourned at 6:56 pm.

Attest:

Salim Nice, Mayor

Andrea Larson, City Clerk