



# BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF MERCER ISLAND

AB 6418  
March 1, 2024  
Special Business

## AGENDA BILL INFORMATION

<b>TITLE:</b>	AB 6418: Review and Update of City Council Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only <input type="checkbox"/> Action Needed: <input type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION:</b>	Review and discuss the suggested 2025-2026 City Council Priorities.	

<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	City Manager
<b>STAFF:</b>	Jessi Bon, City Manager
<b>COUNCIL LIAISON:</b>	n/a
<b>EXHIBITS:</b>	1. Suggested 2025-2026 City Council Priorities
<b>CITY COUNCIL PRIORITY:</b>	n/a

<b>AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE</b>	\$ n/a
<b>AMOUNT BUDGETED</b>	\$ n/a
<b>APPROPRIATION REQUIRED</b>	\$ n/a

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At the March 1, 2024 Planning Session, the City Council will discuss the 2025-2026 priorities. These priorities are intended to guide planning and decision making through this year and the upcoming biennium. This includes working towards desired outcomes on a wide range of major projects, new activities, and ongoing work plan items.

## BACKGROUND

### 2023-2024 City Council Priorities

As part of the [2023-2024 Biennial Budget process](#), the City Council adopted priorities for the upcoming year. The Council priorities are adopted during the 2023-2024 Biennial Budget process are as follows:

- Priority 1** Develop data-driven economic development and retail plans and strategies to activate Town Center and other business areas.
- Priority 2** Sustain and enhance our natural environment, especially parks and open spaces, to benefit this generation and others that follow.
- Priority 3** Make once-in-a-generation investments to update and modernize aging infrastructure, capital facilities, and parks.
- Priority 4** Focus efforts and actions to be an environmentally and fiscally sustainable, connected, and diverse community.

## **ISSUE/DISCUSSION**

To help streamline the discussion at the Planning Session, City Councilmembers were invited to submit suggestions for revisions and updates to the 2025-2026 priorities to Executive Assistant Casey Thompson no later than 5:00 pm on Tuesday, February 20. Council suggestions were compiled as Exhibit 1.

## **NEXT STEPS**

Staff will finalize the 2025-2026 City Council Priorities for final adoption at the April 5, 2024 Council meeting.

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Review and discuss the 2025-2026 City Council Priorities.