



CITY COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE MEETING MINUTES

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June 24, 2024

ROUNDTABLE MEETING

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL: Mayor Ross called the Roundtable Meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

City Council: Councilmembers Ethan Benson, Robert Wotton, Bryan Holloway, Louis Washington, Catherine Cotton, Cara Christensen, and Jo Johnson.

Mayor Katherine Ross was also present.

City Staff Present: David Linehan, Interim City Attorney; Mike Chambless, City Administrator; Deana Dean, City Clerk; Gretchen Garrett, Deputy City Clerk (remote); Emily Arteché, Community Development Director; Danna McCall, Communications Coordinator; Drew Bouta, Finance Director; and Andy Latham, IT Support.

AGENDA APPROVAL

It was moved by CM Wotton, seconded by CM Christensen to approve the agenda which was unanimously approved.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

1. **Affordable Housing RFP/RFQ Discussion.** This item was introduced by Community Development Director Emily Arteché. Proposed agenda and information from the finance department regarding the affordable housing fund were provided as handouts. Councilmember Wotton led the discussion on city-owned property "9033" which is the 14-acre, 1-acre buildable, parcel on the Snoqualmie Parkway. Presentation from the December 4, 2023, Community Development Committee, was reviewed with Council. Topics included property description, RFP or RFQ, housing strategies, and city-owned affordable housing project versus housing development property. Discussion followed. This item will be brought back to the next Community Development Committee for RFP/RFQ discussion and to prepare a draft proposal.

It was moved by CM Johnson, seconded by CM Washington to adjourn the Roundtable Meeting. The meeting ended at 6:50 pm.

REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Ross called the Regular Meeting to order 7:00 pm.

City Council: Councilmembers Ethan Benson, Robert Wotton, Bryan Holloway, Louis Washington, Catherine Cotton, Cara Christensen, and Jo Johnson.

Mayor Katherine Ross was also present.

City Staff:

David Linehan, Interim City Attorney; Mike Chambless, City Administrator; Deana Dean, City Clerk; Gretchen Garrett (remote); Danna McCall, Communications Coordinator; Brian Lynch, Police Chief; Gary Horejsi, Police Captain; Mike Bailey, Fire Chief; Michael Liebetrau, Police Evidence and Records Technician; Emily Arteché, Community Development Director; Jeff Hamlin, Parks & Public Works Director; Dylan Gamble, CIP Manager; Andrew Vining, Project Engineer; Drew Bouta, Finance Director; Janna Walker, Budget Manager; and Andy Latham, IT Support.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA APPROVAL

It was moved by CM Holloway; seconded by CM Christensen to:
Approve the agenda.

It was moved by CM Holloway, seconded by CM Johnson to:
Remove the last Executive Session.

PASSED: 7-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Washington, Cotton, Christensen, Johnson)

It was moved to:
Approve the agenda as amended.

PASSED: 7-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Washington, Cotton, Christensen, Johnson)

PUBLIC HEARINGS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND APPOINTMENTS

Appointments

2. Ceremonial Oath of Office - Police Officers Jesse Westman, Max Bostick, and Eric Rasmussen. Chief Lynch introduced Officers Westman, Bostick, and Rasmussen who had previously taken the oath of office. The oaths were read into the record by each officer and led by Mayor Ross. Photos followed.
3. Badge Pinning - Deputy Fire Chief Chris Brown. Chief Bailey introduced Deputy Chief Brown. Mayor Ross presented the helmet and the badge pinning was performed by his wife Megan. Deputy Chief Brown thanked Council and said a few words. Photos followed.

Public Hearings

4. **AB24-072:** 2025-2030 Transportation Improvement Program. Public Hearing opened at 7:18 pm by Mayor Ross. No one wishing to speak, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:19 pm.

Presentations

Proclamations

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

- April Brown, from Snoqualmie, spoke regarding Panorama Apartments.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes dated June 8, 2024, and June 10, 2024.
6. Approve the Claims Report dated June 24, 2024
7. **AB24-079:** Authorization for Fire Department Vehicle Purchase.

It was moved by CM Christensen; seconded by CM Washington to:

Approve the consent agenda.

PASSED: 7-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Washington, Cotton, Christensen, Johnson)

ORDINANCES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety Committee:

8. Information: Fire 1st Quarter 2024 Accreditation Report

Community Development Committee: No report.

Parks & Public Works Committee:

9. **AB24-075:** 2025-2030 Non-Utilities Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Introduction read into the record by CM Cotton.

It was moved by CM Cotton; seconded by CM Johnson to:

Approve Resolution No. 1692 approving the 2025-2030 Non-Utility Capital Improvement Plan.

The following public comments were made:

- Emily Anderson, of Snoqualmie, spoke in support of the Community Center Expansion Project.
- Jennifer Barr, of Snoqualmie, spoke in support of the Community Center Expansion Project.
- Chelley Patterson, of Fall City, spoke in support of the Community Center Expansion Project.
- Melinda Johnson, of Snoqualmie, spoke in support of the Community Center Expansion Project.
- Diana Rule, of Snoqualmie, spoke in support of the Community Center Expansion Project.
- Paul Sweum, of Snoqualmie, spoke in support of the Community Center Expansion Project.
- Victor Ross, of Snoqualmie, spoke in support of the Community Center Expansion Project.
- Bob Jeans, of Snoqualmie, spoke in support of the Community Center Expansion Project.
- Zack Wells, of Sammamish, spoke in support of the Community Center Expansion Project.

Council discussion followed.

It was moved by CM Holloway, seconded by CM Cotton to:

Move the Community Center Expansion from 2025 to 2026 allowing administration to work on affordable options, and partners with funding to close the gap.

PASSED: 4-3 (Holloway, Washington, Cotton, Johnson) NAY: (Christensen, Wotton, Benson)

It was moved by CM Johnson, seconded by CM Christensen to:

Add to above motion changing "line of credit" to "unidentified sources."

Motion withdrawn by CM Johnson.

It was moved by CM Johnson to:

Add to above motion changing "line of credit" to "grants."

With no second, the motion was not considered.

It was moved by CM Holloway, seconded by CM Johnson to:

Table this item until the next Council meeting.

PASSED: 6-1 (Benson, Holloway, Washington Cotton, Christensen, Johnson) NAY: Wotton

At 8:57 pm, Council took a 5-minute recess.

Council reconvened at 9:03 pm.

10. **AB24-076:** Water Reclamation Facility Phase 3 Improvements - Project Update and Contract Change Order No.1. Introduction read into the record by CM Cotton. Overview provided by Project Engineer Andrew Vining.

It was moved by CM Cotton; seconded by CM Holloway to:

Approve Change Order 1 with Prospect Construction for additional out-of-scope services during construction and authorize the Mayor to sign.

PASSED: 7-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Washington, Cotton, Christensen, Johnson)

11. **AB24-072:** 6-Year Transportation Improvement Program for the period 2025 through 2030. Introduction read into the record by CM Cotton. Clarification was made on the proposed action of the agenda bill.

It was moved by CM Cotton; seconded by CM Holloway to:

Adopt Resolution No. 1691 Adopting a Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program for the Period 2025 through 2030.

PASSED: 7-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Washington, Cotton, Christensen, Johnson)

It was moved by CM Cotton, seconded by CM Holloway to:

Substitute the June 4, 2024, edited version.

PASSED: 7-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Washington, Cotton, Christensen, Johnson)

It was moved by CM Washington, seconded by CM Johnson to:

Move items 12-14 to the next Council meeting.

Motion withdrawn by CM Washington.

It was moved by CM Johnson, seconded by CM Benson to:

Delay item #13 to the next Council meeting.

PASSED: 7-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Washington, Cotton, Christensen, Johnson)

It was moved by CM Wotton, seconded by CM Christensen to:

Extend meeting beyond 10:00 pm.

PASSED: 6-1 (Benson, Wotton, Washington, Cotton, Christensen, Johnson) NAY: Holloway

12. Presentation: Introduction of the Utility Rate Schedule. Finance Director Drew Bouda introduced Sergey Tarasov from FCS Group who reviewed this item via presentation. Topics included background, overview of rate setting process, revenue requirements, general considerations, revenue sufficiency, cost of service, classes of service, rate design, existing rates, rate survey, general facilities charges, and next steps.
13. Discussion: Puget Sound Energy - EV Curbside Charging. This item will be heard at the July 8, 2024, Council meeting.
14. Discussion: King Street Seasonal Closure Concepts. CIP Manager Dylan Gamble reviewed this item. Council questions and comments followed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

15. Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) Litigation that has been specifically threatened to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party; (ii) Litigation that the agency reasonably believes may be commenced by or against the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity; or (iii) Litigation or legal risks of a proposed action or current practice that the agency has identified when public discussion of the litigation or legal risks is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency; lasting approximately 10 minutes.

Council went into Executive Session at 9:50 pm which was expected to end at 10:00 pm.

At 10:00 pm, Council extended Executive Session to 10:17 pm.

Council reconvened at 10:17 pm.

Finance & Administration Committee:

16. **AB24-073:** Authorization for continued Legal Services with K&L Gates. Introduction read into the record by CM Holloway.

It was moved by CM Holloway; seconded by CM Christensen to:

Approve an additional \$80,000 for continued legal representation with K&L Gates.

PASSED: 7-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Washington, Cotton, Christensen, Johnson)

17. **AB24-080:** Amendment No. 2 to the agreement for legal services with Ogden Murphy Wallace, PLLC. Introduction read into the record by CM Holloway.

It was moved by CM Holloway; seconded by CM Christensen to:

Approve Amendment No. 2 to the agreement for legal services with Ogden Murphy Wallace, PLLC and authorize the Mayor to sign.

PASSED: 7-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Washington, Cotton, Christensen, Johnson)

Committee of the Whole: No report.

REPORTS

18. Mayor's Report. Due to time, this item was not heard.

19. Commission/Committee Liaison Reports. Due to time, this item was not heard.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by CM Holloway; seconded by CM Washington to:

Adjourn the meeting.

PASSED: 7-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Washington, Cotton, Christensen, Johnson)

Meeting was adjourned at 10:21 pm.

CITY OF SNOQUALMIE

Katherine Ross, Mayor

Attest:

Deana Dean, City Clerk