



CITY COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE MEETING MINUTES CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES JULY 14, 2025

ROUNDTABLE MEETING

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

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

It was moved by CM Washington, seconded by CM Johnson to
Excuse Councilmember Benson from tonight's meeting.

PASSED: 6-0 (Wotton, Holloway, Washington, Cotton, Christensen, Johnson)

Mayor Katherine Ross was also present.

City Staff: Dena Burke, City Attorney; Deana Dean, City Clerk; Danna McCall, Communications Coordinator; Gary Horejsi, Interim Police Chief/Police Captain; Fletcher Lacroix, IT Director; and Jimmie Betts, IT Support.

AGENDA APPROVAL - It was moved by CM Johnson; seconded by CM Holloway to approve the agenda which passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) To discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency.

At 6:02 pm, Council went into Executive Session which was expected to last until 6:50 pm. No action was anticipated following the Executive Session and recording of the meeting ceased.

ADJOURNMENT – Council returned to open session at 6:50pm and the Roundtable Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

REGULAR MEETING

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

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

Mayor Katherine Ross was also present.

City Staff: Mike Chambless, City Administrator; Dena Burke, City Attorney; Deana Dean, City Clerk; Danna McCall, Communications Coordinator; Jeff Hamlin, Parks & Public Works Director; Janna Walker, Budget Manager; Jen Hughes, Deputy Finance Director; Fletcher Lacroix, IT Director; Mike Bailey, Fire Chief; Gary Horejsi, Interim Police Chief/Police Captain; Mona Davis, Community & Economic Development Director; Nicole Wiebe, Community Liaison; and Jimmie Betts, IT Support.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The pledge of allegiance was led by CM Wotton.

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

Approve the agenda.

PASSED: 6-0 (Wotton, Holloway, Washington, Cotton, Christensen, Johnson)

PUBLIC HEARINGS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND APPOINTMENTS

Presentations

2. Best Starts for Kids. Presentation by Best Starts for Kids Co-Leads Jessica Tollenaar Cafferty and Jamalia Jones. Also present were Kerry Wade and Catherine Hinrichsen (remote). Others were present but not identified. Council comments followed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

- Jacqueline Pfeiffer, of Snoqualmie, spoke regarding motorized bikes.

CONSENT AGENDA

3. Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes dated June 23, 2025.
4. Approve the Claims Report dated July 14, 2025.

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

Approve the consent agenda.

PASSED: 6-0 (Wotton, Holloway, Washington, Cotton, Christensen, Johnson)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety Committee:

5. Fire Department 4th of July Activity Report. This item was introduced and reviewed by Fire Chief Bailey. Council questions followed.

CM Wotton noted the next Public Safety Committee meeting is Monday July 21, 2025, at 5:00 pm and will include e-bikes, e-motorcycles, and speed. Public testimony is welcome.

Community Development Committee:

6. **AB25-069:** Historic Downtown Color Palettes Resolution. Introduction read into the record by CM Washington. Presentation by Community and Economic Development Director Mona Davis. Council comments and questions followed.

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

Approve Resolution 1721 adopting a new exterior color palette for buildings that lie within the Historic District Overlay or Historic Landmark Overlay.

PASSED: 6-0 (Wotton, Holloway, Washington, Cotton, Christensen, Johnson)

Parks & Public Works Committee: There was no report.

Finance & Administration Committee:

7. **2025 Q2 Financial Update.** Presentation by Budget Manager Janna Walker. Council questions followed. Council questions followed.
8. **Flag Policy Discussion** led by City Attorney Dena Burke. Council questions and comments followed.

Committee of the Whole: There was no report.

REPORTS

9. Mayor's Report. Mayor Ross provided updates on:
 - The 8-day closure of SR18 under the I90 bridges starts Thursday July 17, 2025, at 9pm until Friday July 25, 2025, at 5pm. There will be no northbound or southbound traffic under I90 during that time.
 - Summary of upcoming events including King County Library System presentation, Movies in the Park, Plein Air Paint Out, Thomas the Train, and other fun events.
10. Commission/Committee Liaison Reports:
 - CM Christensen provided updates on the June PIC meeting and an upcoming AWC training.
 - CM Wotton spoke regarding the SR18/I90 diverging diamond and provided an update on the SnoValleyJobs.com website.
11. Department Reports. City Administrator Chambless reviewed department reports for the month of June 2025.

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At 8:40 pm, Council went into Executive Session which was expected to last until 9:10 pm. No action was anticipated following the Executive Sessions and recording of the meeting ceased.

At 9:10 pm, it was announced outside Council Chambers that Executive Session was extended to 9:25 pm.

At 9:25 pm, it was announced outside Council Chambers that Executive Session was extended to 9:35 pm.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 pm.

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Katherine Ross, Mayor

Attest:

Deana Dean, City Clerk