



## **CITY COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE MEETING MINUTES CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MAY 27, 2025**

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### **ROUNDTABLE MEETING**

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

**City Council:** Councilmembers Ethan Benson, 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; Fletcher Lacroix, IT Director; and Andrew Jongekryg, IT Support.

**AGENDA APPROVAL** - It was moved by CM Washington; seconded by CM Christensen to approve the agenda which passed unanimously.

### **SPECIAL BUSINESS**

1. Two Executive Sessions 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 6:01 pm, Council went into Executive Session which was expected to last until 6:45 pm. Recording of the meeting paused.

The roundtable meeting ended at 6:55 pm.

### **REGULAR MEETING**

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

**City Council:** Councilmembers Ethan Benson, 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; Jeff Hamlin, Parks & Public Works Director; Drew Bouta, Finance Director; Janna Walker, Budget Manager; Fletcher Lacroix, IT Director; Mike Bailey, Fire Chief; Gary Horejsi, Interim Police Chief; Mona Davis,

Community & Economic Development Director; Andrew Vining, Project Engineer; Jen Hughes, Deputy Finance Director; and Andrew Jongekryg, IT Support.

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

## **AGENDA APPROVAL**

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

**Approve the agenda as amended.**

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

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

**Remove approval of the claims report from the consent agenda.**

It was moved by CM Holloway; seconded by CM Johnson to

**Remove ceremonial oath of office from the agenda.**

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

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND APPOINTMENTS**

### **Appointments**

2. Ceremonial Oath of Office for Police Officers Jaedon Hall and Chase Holmes. This item was removed from the agenda.

### **Proclamations**

3. **25-10: EMS Week.** Proclamation read into the record by Mayor Ross. Chief Bailey addressed Council and thanked the Mayor and Council for recognizing the dedicated professionals of the fire department. Photos followed.
4. **25-11: National Public Works Week.** Proclamation read into the record by Mayor Ross. Parks & Public Works Director Hamlin addressed Council, spoke to the great work of the public works professionals in Snoqualmie, and thanked Council for their support. Photos followed.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

5. Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes dated May 12, 2025.

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

**Approve the consent agenda.**

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

6. This item was removed from the consent agenda during approval of the agenda. Approve the Claims Report dated May 27, 2025. Additional information provided by Finance Director Drew Bouta.

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

**Approve the Claims Report dated May 27, 2025**

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

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

**Substitute the revised claims report dated May 27, 2025.**

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

## ORDINANCES

7. **AB25-035:** Ordinance Amending SMC Titles 17.20 and 17.37. Introduction read into the record by CM Washington. Council comments followed with Community & Economic Director Mona Davis providing additional information.

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

**Adopt Ordinance 1306 amending various sections of Chapter 17.20 and Chapter 17.37 of the Snoqualmie Municipal Code to amend retail use requirements in the downtown historic district retail use overlay.**

PASSED: 5-2 (Wotton, Washington, Cotton, Christensen, Johnson) (Nay: Benson, Holloway)

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Public Safety Committee:

8. Fire Department 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Accreditation Report. This was an informational item only and the report was included in the agenda packet.

Chief Bailey provided an update on the new fire truck.

### Community Development Committee:

9. **AB25-064:** River Trail Property Acquisition (Hailstone Trust) Parcel ID 7849200455. Introduction read into the record by CM Washington. Additional information provided by Community & Economic Development Director Mona Davis and Budget Manager Janna Walker.

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

**Adopt Resolution 1717 authorizing the Mayor to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement to purchase real property associated with the City River Trail.**

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

### Parks & Public Works Committee:

10. **AB25-059:** Selecting RH2 for Construction Management Services for the Reclaimed Water Distribution System Improvements Project. Introduction read into the record by CM Benson. Council questions followed.

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

**Adopt Resolution 1718 selecting and authorizing the execution of a contract amendment for engineering services with RH2 Engineering to provide Construction Management and Inspection Services for the Reclaimed Water Distribution System Improvements Project and authorizing the Mayor to sign.**

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

**Finance & Administration Committee:** There was no report.

**Committee of the Whole:** There was no report.

## REPORTS

11. Mayor's Report. Mayor Ross provided updates on:

- SR18 closure.
- National Community Survey.
- Splashpad grand opening.
- Fire Station 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Engine Push In.
- Visits to local non-profits, Mamma's Hands and Snoqualmie Valley Food Bank.
- AWC Conference in June.

12. Commission/Committee Liaison Reports:

- CM Wotton acknowledged the Boy Scouts in attendance this evening and provided updates on the Economic Development Commission, SnoValleyJobs.com, and SnoValley Innovation Center.
- CM Cotton provided updates on Snoqualmie Valley Health and Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife regarding the public not feeding wildlife.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

13. 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 7:50 pm, Council went into Executive Session which was expected to last until 8:10 pm. Recording of the meeting paused.

At 8:10 pm, Council reconvened and recording of the meeting resumed.

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

**Amend the agenda to add two items: Interim Agreement between Snoqualmie and North Bend regarding police services and the second is ILA between North Bend and Snoqualmie for police services.**

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

Additional information provided by CM Wotton.

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

**Authorize the Mayor to sign the Interim Agreement between Snoqualmie and North Bend regarding police services and the ILA between North Bend and Snoqualmie for police services.**

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

## ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by CM Johnson, seconded by CM Wotton to  
**Adjourn the meeting.**

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 pm.

CITY OF SNOQUALMIE

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Katherine Ross, Mayor

Attest:

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Deana Dean, City Clerk