



# CITY COUNCIL MINUTES SPECIAL VIDEO MEETING JANUARY 4, 2022

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## CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Acting City Manager Ali Spietz called the meeting to order at 5:04 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 9611 SE 36th Street, Mercer Island, Washington.

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

## SPECIAL BUSINESS

### **AB 5997: Councilmember Oaths of Office and Mayor and Deputy Mayor Elections**

Acting City Manager Spietz welcomed the audience and explained that the official oaths were administered to newly elected councilmembers on December 28 and 30, 2021, but that there would be a ceremonial oath taken by Councilmembers Anderl, Nice, and Weinberg with the Mayor and Deputy Mayor elections to follow.

City Clerk Andrea Larson administered the Oaths of Office to re-elected Councilmembers Lisa Anderl and Salim Nice and to newly elected Councilmember Ted Weinberg.

Acting City Manager Spietz explained how the nomination and voting process would work for the Mayor and Deputy Mayor elections. She noted that to be successful a nominee must receive at least 4 votes from the full Council to be declared the successful candidate.

She then called for nominations from the floor for the office of Mayor for 2022-2023. Councilmember Anderl nominated Councilmember Nice. There were no further nominations.

It was moved by Jacobson; seconded by Rosenbaum to:

**Elect Salim Nice to serve as Mayor for 2022 and 2023.**

PASSED: 7-0

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

City Clerk Larson administered the Mayoral Oath of Office to Mayor Nice.

Acting City Manager Spietz then called for nominations from the floor for the office of Deputy Mayor for 2022-2023. Councilmember Jacobson nominated Councilmember Rosenbaum. There were no further nominations.

It was moved by Weinberg; seconded by Jacobson to:

**Elect Dave Rosenbaum to serve as Deputy Mayor for 2022 and 2023.**

PASSED: 7-0

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

City Clerk Larson administered the Deputy Mayoral Oath of Office to Deputy Mayor Rosenbaum.

Acting City Manager Spietz then turned the meeting over to Mayor Nice.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Nice delivered the Pledge of Allegiance.

## AGENDA APPROVAL

It was moved by Reynolds; seconded by Weinberg to:  
**Approve the agenda.**

It was moved by Jacobson; seconded by Anderl to:  
**Amend the agenda to move AB 5999: 2022 Thrift Shop Work Plan to a future meeting.**  
Motion to Amend Passed 6-1  
FOR: 6 (Anderl, Jacobson, Nice, Rosenbaum, Weiker, and Weinberg)  
AGAINST: 1 (Reynolds)

Main Motion as Amended Passed 7-0  
FOR: 7 (Anderl, Jacobson, Nice, Reynolds, Rosenbaum, Weiker, and Weinberg)

## CITY MANAGER REPORT

Acting City Manager Spietz reported on the following items:

- Snowstorm Response
- Upcoming Board and Commission Meetings
- Tree Recycling
- Climate Action Plan – Community Feedback Needed
- Mercerdale Playground Update
- Expanded Recreation Services
- 2021 Illuminate MI was a huge success! Thank you!
- Welcome Police Officer Huy Ngyuen
- Welcome Municipal Court Judge Jeff Gregory
- City Facilities Closed on January 17 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

## APPEARANCES

There were no public appearances.

## CONSENT AGENDA

**Approve the Payroll Certification for the following periods:**

- **AB 5987: December 3, 2021 Payroll Certification in the amount of \$800,924.57**
- **AB 5988: December 17, 2021 Payroll Certification in the amount of \$837,611.94**
- **AB 6000: December 30, 2021 Payroll Certification in the amount of \$828,913.97**

**Recommended Action:** Approve the December 3, 17 and 30, 2021, Payroll Certifications and authorize the Mayor to sign the certifications on behalf of the entire City Council.

**Approval of Certification of Claims for the periods ending:**

- A. December 3, 2021 in the amount of \$424,121.29**
- B. December 10, 2021 in the amount of \$959,551.29**
- C. December 17, 2021 in the amount of \$202,999.37**
- D. December 22, 2021 in the amount of \$406,504.14**

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

**Approval of Claims Reporting for Electronic Funds Transfers for the month ending November 2021, in the amount of \$3,987,736.27.**

**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.

**Approval of Minutes of the for the November 9, 2021 Special Meeting, November 16, 2021 Regular Meeting, and December 7, 2021 Special Meeting**

**Recommended Action:** Adopt minutes of the City Council meetings as presented.

**AB 5971: Comprehensive Plan Amendment – Land Use Map CPA21-001 (Ord. No. 21-26 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)**

**Recommended Action:** Adopt Ordinance No. 21-26 amending the Comprehensive Plan to correct an error in the Land Use Map.

It was moved by Weinberg; seconded by Reynolds to:

**Approve the Consent Agenda and the recommendations contained therein.**

PASSED: 7-0

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

**REGULAR BUSINESS**

**AB 5999: 2022 Thrift Shop Work Plan**

This agenda bill was moved to a future meeting.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**Planning Schedule**

Acting City Manager Spietz noted that the 2022 Planning Session is tentatively scheduled for February 4-5, 2022.

**Councilmember Absences and Reports**

Councilmember Jacobson spoke about the Parks & Recreation Commission's final review of the draft PROS plan.

Deputy Mayor Rosenbaum thanked staff for their work during the recent snowstorm.

Councilmember Reynolds also thanked staff for their response during the recent snowstorm.

Councilmember Weiker congratulated Mayor Nice and Deputy Mayor Rosenbaum on their elections.

Councilmember Reynolds also thanked Public Works crews for their work during the recent snowstorm.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 5:42 pm, Mayor Nice convened an executive session via Microsoft Teams to discuss with legal counsel pending or potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) for approximately 30 minutes.

At 6:14 pm, Mayor Nice extended the executive session for an additional 15 minutes.

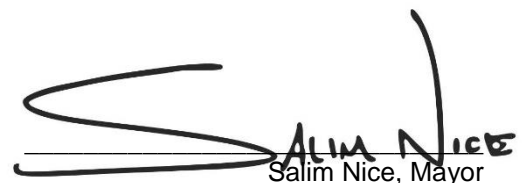
Mayor Nice adjourned the executive session at 6:28 pm

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Council Meeting adjourned at 6:28 pm.

Attest:

  
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Andrea Larson, City Clerk

  
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Salim Nice, Mayor