



CITY COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE & REGULAR MEETING MEETING MINUTES

Monday, May 11, 2026, 6:00 PM

Snoqualmie City Hall, 38624 SE River Street & Zoom

ROUNDTABLE AGENDA, 6 PM

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL: Mayor Mayhew called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

City Council: Councilmembers Bryan Holloway, Catherine Cotton, Daniel Murphy, Robert Wotton, and Louis Washington.

Executive: Mayor Mayhew.

City Staff: City Attorney Dena Burke, City Clerk Kim Agfalvi, and IT Systems Specialist Andrew Jongekryg.

Motion: Councilmember Wotton made a motion to excuse Councilmember Johnson. Seconded by Councilmember Washington.

Motion passed: 5-0.

Councilmember Johnson entered the meeting at 6:10pm.

AGENDA APPROVAL.

Motion: Councilmember Washington made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Councilmember Wotton.

Motion to amend the agenda and add an executive session: Councilmember Washington made a motion to add an executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(h) To evaluate the qualifications of a candidate for appointment to elective office. However, any interview of such candidate and final action appointing a candidate to elective office shall be in a meeting open to the public. Seconded by Councilmember Wotton.

Motion to amend the agenda and add an executive session passed: 5-0.

Motion to amend the agenda and remove executive session: Councilmember Wotton made a motion to remove the 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 to, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency. Seconded by Councilmember Murphy.

Motion to amend the agenda and remove executive session passed: 5-0

Motion: Councilmember Washington made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilmember Wotton.

Motion passed: 5-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Mayhew stated that Council would be entering into an executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(h) To evaluate the qualifications of a candidate for appointment to elective office. However, any interview of such candidate and final action appointing a candidate to elective office shall be in a meeting open to the public. Mayor Mayhew stated the executive session would end at 6:45pm.

In attendance at the executive session were Councilmembers Bryan Holloway, Catherine Cotton, Daniel Murphy, Robert Wotton, Louis Washington, Mayor James Mayhew and City Attorney Dena Burke.

6:08pm: Executive session began.

6:45pm: Executive session extended for 10 minutes.

6:55pm: Executive session ended for 3 minutes.

6:58pm: Executive session ended, and Council returned to normal session.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Councilmember Washington made a motion to adjourn the roundtable meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Johnson.

Motion passed: 6-0.

REGULAR AGENDA, 7 PM

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL: Mayor Mayhew called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

City Council: Councilmembers Daniel Murphy, Robert Wotton, Bryan Holloway, Louis Washington, Catherine Cotton, and Mayor Pro Tem Jolyon Johnson.

City Staff: Legal Assistant Robert Thrall, Parks and Public Works Director Jeff Hamlin, Finance Director Drew Bouta, City Clerk Kim Agfalvi, Community Development Director Mona Davis, Engineer Patrick Fry, Fire Chief Mike Bailey, and IT Systems Specialist Jimmie Betts.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Councilmember Wotton.

AGENDA APPROVAL.

Motion: Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Councilmember Holloway.

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Motion to amend the agenda and add an executive session passed: 6-0

Motion to amend the agenda to allow public comment for items on the agenda: Councilmember Johnson made a motion to allow comments for Item 18, Discussion of Potential Land Use in Unincorporated Urban Growth Area during the public comment section. Seconded by Councilmember Wotton.

Motion to amend the agenda to allow public comment for items on the agenda passed: 6-0.

Motion to amend the agenda: Councilmember Cotton made a motion to amend the agenda to move Item 18, Discussion of Potential Land Use in Unincorporated Urban Growth Area to after the public comment period. Seconded by Councilmember Johnson.

Motion to amend the agenda passed: 6-0

Motion: To approve agenda as amended.

Motion passed: 6-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND APPOINTMENTS

Appointments.

2. Firefighter Berni.

Fire Chief Bailey welcomed Firefighter Berni to the City of Snoqualmie and presented him with a pin and a firefighter helmet.

3. Chief of Police.

Mayor Mayhew stated that he had conditionally offered Scott Miller the position of Chief of Police.

Presentations.

4. Waste Management.

Kevin Kelly from Waste Management presented updates on the waste management contract with the City of Snoqualmie. Council discussion followed.

5. Chamber of Commerce 15-Year Plan.

The Chamber of Commerce presented on their 15-year plan. Council discussion followed.

Proclamations.

6. National Police Week.

Mayor Mayhew read a proclamation and declared May 10th – May 16th, 2026, as National Police Week.

7. National Emergency Services Week.

Mayor Mayhew read a proclamation and declared May 17th – May 23rd, 2026, as National Emergency Services Week.

8. Affordable Housing Week.

Mayor Mayhew read a proclamation and declared May 18th – May 22nd, 2026, as Affordable Housing Week.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

The following people made a public comment:

- Nivi T. commented on BESS.
- Jimi S. commented on BESS.
- Jon S. commented on BESS.

DISCUSSION.

9. Discussion of Potential Land Use in Unincorporated Urban Growth Area.

Councilmember Johnson requested that Mayor Mayhew speak on Potential Land Use in Unincorporated Urban Growth Area. Mayor Mayhew stated he was presenting Council with Ordinance 1322, an ordinance establishing a temporary moratorium to allow evaluation and potential development of standards for Battery Energy Storage Systems and requested that Council suspend their rules of a first and second reading of the ordinance and adopt the ordinance tonight. Council discussion followed.

8:05pm: Mayor Mayhew stated that the meeting would be recessed for 5 minutes.

8:12pm: The meeting resumed.

Motion: Councilmember Wotton made a motion to enter into an executive session for ten minutes 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 to, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency. Seconded by Councilmember Washington.

Motion to amend: Councilmember Holloway made a motion to enter into an executive session for twenty minutes 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 to, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency. Seconded by Councilmember Washington.

Motion to amend passed: 6-0.

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Motion passed: 6-0.

8:15pm: Executive session began.

8:35pm: Executive session was extended for 10 minutes.

8:45pm: Executive session ended.

Motion: Councilmember Johnson made a motion to suspend the rules to allow for a first reading of Ordinance 1322, waiving the 72-hour notice period. Seconded by Councilmember Murphy. Council discussion followed.

Motion passed: 6-0.

Councilmember Johnson read the introduction of Ordinance 1322 into the record. Council discussion followed.

Motion: Councilmember Washington made a motion to add to July 13, 2026, Council Meeting agenda a presentation from Leon Richardson, King County Department of Local Services Director, on the proposed Battery Energy Storage System in King County with Question and Answer to follow. Seconded by Councilmember Johnson.

Point of Order: Councilmember Johnson made a point of order regarding moving the town hall item to the Finance and Administration Committee and it was upheld.

Motion to amend: Councilmember Holloway made a motion to refer this matter to the Finance and Administration Committee. Seconded by Councilmember Johnson.

Motion to amend passed: 5-1. Nay – CM Washington.

Amended Motion: Councilmember Johnson made a motion to move item 17, Puget Sound Energy Letter Regarding Potential Land Use in Unincorporated Urban Growth Area to the next item. Seconded by Councilmember Johnson.

Amended Motion passed: 6-0.

10. Puget Sound Energy Letter Regarding Potential Land Use in Unincorporated Urban Growth Area.

Council discussed the letter received from Puget Sound Energy on Potential Land Use in Unincorporated Urban Growth Area. Council discussion followed. Councilmember Holloway asked that this item be moved to the next Finance and Administration Committee Meeting for committee discussion.

CONSENT AGENDA.

- 11. Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes: April 27, 2026.
- 12. Claims Report dated May 11, 2026.
- 13. **AB26-013: Microsoft Office Renewal.**

Motion: Councilmember Washington made a motion to approve the consent agenda as prepared. Seconded by Councilmember Holloway. Council discussion followed.

Councilmember Wotton recused himself from voting on AB26-12 as a potential appearance of conflict of interest.

Point of Order: Councilmember Holloway stated that consent agenda it voted on its totality and asked if that item needs to be taken out so he can recuse himself. Mayor Mayhew stated that was the choice of Councilmember Wotton.

Councilmember Johnson stated that any Councilmember can remove an item from the consent agenda and requested that item AB26-012 be removed from the consent agenda.

Motion: To approve the amended consent agenda.

Motion approved: 6-0.

14. **AB26-012: Award Construction Contract for BP Lift Station Expansion Project.**

Motion: Councilmember Cotton made a motion to approve Resolution No. 1745 awarding a construction contract with CR Construction for the BP Lift Station Project. Seconded by Councilmember Holloway. Councilmember Wotton recused himself from consideration of AB26-012.

Motion passed: 5-0.

ORDINANCES.

15. **AB26-21: 2025-2026 Budget Amendment to provide the City with the appropriation necessary to fund an Economic Development Coordinator position.**

Councilmember Washington read in the introduction of the ordinance into the record. Council discussion followed. Council requested the item be added as a discussion item on the next Finance and Administration Committee meeting agenda.

Proposed Action: This was the first reading of the ordinance.

COMMITTEE REPORTS**Public Safety Committee:**16. **School Zone Enforcement Update.**

Councilmember Wotton presented an update on school zone enforcement efforts.

17. **Covered Load Enforcement Update**

Councilmember Wotton presented an update on covered load enforcement efforts.

18. **Fire Department 1st Quarter Accreditation Report.**

The Fire Department 1st quarter accreditation report was included in the packet for council review.

Community Development Committee: No report.

Parks & Public Works Committee: No report.

Finance & Administration Committee:19. **Council Rules of Procedure Regarding Video Streaming of Comments Not on the Agenda.**

Councilmember Johnson briefed on the timeline of the item.

Motion: Councilmember Murphy requested that the item be moved to the next full council meeting on May 26th, 2026. Seconded by Councilmember Cotton. The item was deemed moot, as it was referred to committee.

Motion: Councilmember Murphy made an amended motion to move the item to the F&A committee. Seconded by Councilmember Cotton.

Motion passed: 6-0.

20. Flood Event Update.

Councilmember Johnson briefed on documents that were submitted to FEMA timely.

Committee of the Whole: No report.

REPORTS

21. Commission/Committee Liaison Reports: No reports were made.

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9:45pm: Executive session began.

9:55pm: Executive session ended, and the meeting returned to normal session.

DISCUSSION

23. Potential Candidates for Vacant City Council Position #6.

Motion: Councilmember Johnson made a motion to appoint Andre Testman to vacant City Position 6. Seconded by Councilmember Cotton.

Motion passed: 6-0.

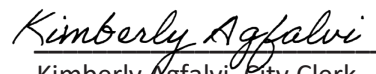
ADJOURNMENT.

Motion: Councilmember Holloway made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Murphy.

Motion passed: 6-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58pm.

CITY OF SNOQUALMIE


Kimberly Agfalvi, City Clerk