

CITY COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE MEETING MINUTES CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES JUNE 23, 2025

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 (remote), Bryan Holloway, Catherine Cotton, and Jo Johnson.

It was moved by CM Johnson, seconded by CM Cotton to Excuse Councilmembers Washington and Christensen from tonight's meeting. PASSED: 5-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Cotton, Johnson)

Mayor Katherine Ross was also present.

City Staff: Dena Burke, City Attorney; Deana Dean, City Clerk; Drew Bouta, Acting City Administrator/Finance Director; Danna McCall, Communications Coordinator; Mike Bailey, Fire Chief; Gary Horejsi, Interim Police Chief/Police Captain; Mona Davis, Community and Economic Development Director; Kim Johnson, HR Manager; Jeff Hamlin, Parks & Public Works Director; Fletcher Lacroix, IT Director; and Brian Mainstone, IT Systems Engineer.

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

SPECIAL BUSINESS

 Strategic Plan Update – BERK Consulting. Presentation by Brian Murphy and Maddie Immel. Topics included introduction, project context, contents including today's objectives, population, community location, housing capacity challenges, housing goals and affordability, economic development and employment, economic development and retail, pending development and tourism, fiscal position and city services, governmental operating forecast, role of the city and its partners, capital facilities and utilities, parks, human services, public communications and engagement, takeaways, and next steps. Discussion followed.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by CM Holloway; seconded by CM Johnson to: Adjourn the Roundtable Meeting. PASSED: 5-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Cotton, Johnson)

The Roundtable Meeting was adjourned at 6:46 pm.

REGULAR MEETING

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

City Council: Councilmembers Ethan Benson, Rob Wotton (remote), Bryan Holloway, Catherine Cotton, and Jo Johnson.

Mayor Katherine Ross was also present.

City Staff: Mike Chambless, City Administrator (remote); Dena Burke, City Attorney; Deana Dean, City Clerk; Drew Bouta, Acting City Administrator/Finance Director; 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; Kim Johnson, HR Manager; Dylan Gamble, CIP Manager; and Brian Mainstone, IT Systems Engineer.

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

AGENDA APPROVAL

It was moved by CM Holloway; seconded by CM Johnson to: **Approve the agenda.** PASSED: 5-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Cotton, Johnson)

PUBLIC HEARINGS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND APPOINTMENTS

Public Hearing

2. AB25-068: Six Year Transportation Improvement Program. Introduction by Mayor Ross.

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:02 pm. There being no members of the public wishing to speak, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:02 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA – There were no public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 3. Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes dated May 30, 2025, and June 9, 2025.
- 4. Approve the Claims Report dated June 23, 2025.

It was moved by CM Cotton; seconded by CM Holloway to: **Approve the consent agenda.** PASSED: 5-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Cotton, Johnson)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety Committee:

- 5. Fire Department Annual Report. This item was introduced and reviewed by Fire Chief Bailey. Council comments and questions followed.
- 6. Public Safety Committee Work Plan Update. This item was introduced and reviewed by CM Cotton. Council questions followed with Interim Chief Horejsi providing additional information.

Community Development Committee: There was no report.

Parks & Public Works Committee:

7. **AB25-068:** Six Year Transportation Improvement Program. Introduction read into the record by CM Benson. Council questions followed with additional information provided by CIP Manager Dylan Gamble and Parks & Public Works Director Jeff Hamlin.

It was moved by CM Benson; seconded by CM Holloway to: Approve Resolution 1720 adopting a Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the period 2026 through 2031.

PASSED: 5-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Cotton, Johnson)

Finance & Administration Committee: There was no report.

Committee of the Whole: There was no report.

REPORTS

- 8. Mayor's Report. Mayor Ross provided updates on:
 - Congratulations to Carol Peterson. Her home has been designated as a local historic landmark by King County.
 - Thank you to Sergeant Craig Miller of the Police Department for his dedication and service. He will be retiring on June 30, 2025. Reception on that date at the police station.
 - Thank you also to Lieutenant Robert Lasswell of the Fire Department for his dedication and service. He will be retiring on June 26, 2025. An open house will be held on that date at the fire station.
 - Outdoor Adventure Jamboree on June 25, 2025, at Meadowbrook Interpretive Center.
 - Big Truck Day on June 26, 2025, at Centennial Park.
 - Green Snoqualmie event on June 27, 2025, at the corner of Silent Creek and McCullough.
 - Snoqualmie Valley Health has received their clearing and grading permits and work will begin there soon.
- 9. Commission/Committee Liaison Reports:
 - CM Cotton provided an update on SCA Public Health briefing, June 25, 2025 conference on substance abuse disorder at Green River Community College, King County regional gun violence, and federal cuts to Medicaid for Washington residents.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

10. 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. The first one to last approximately 10 minutes. The second one to last approximately 30 minutes.

At 7:41 pm, Council went into Executive Session which was expected to last until 8:30 pm. No action was anticipated following the Executive Sessions and recording of the meeting ceased.

At 8:30 pm, it was announced outside Council Chambers that Executive Session was extended to 8:45 pm.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.

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Deana Dean, City Clerk