



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

May 28, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

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

City Council: Councilmembers Ethan Benson, Robert Wotton, Louis Washington, Catherine Cotton, and Jo Johnson.

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

Excuse CM Holloway and Christensen from this evening's meeting.

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

Mayor Katherine Ross was also present.

City Staff:

David Linehan, Interim City Attorney; Mike Chambless City Administrator (remote); Deana Dean, City Clerk; Gretchen Garrett, Deputy City Clerk (remote); Dana McCall, Communications Coordinator; Brian Lynch, Police Chief; Gary Horejsi, Police Captain; Fletcher Lacroix, Information Technology Director; Michael Liebetrau, Police Evidence and Records Technician; Emily Arteché, Community Development Director; Jeff Hamlin, Parks & Public Works Director; Mike Bailey, Fire Chief; Patrick Fry, Project Engineer; Dylan Gamble, CIP Manager; Drew Bouta, Finance Director; Tami Wood, Revenue Manager; Janna Walker, Budget Manager; and Andy Latham, IT Support.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

Approve the agenda.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND APPOINTMENTS

Proclamations

2. **Proclamation 24-12:** Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week. Proclamation 24-12 read into the record. Mayor proclaims the week of May 19-25, 2024, as Emergency Medical Services Week. Mayor Ross thanked the emergency personnel who were present at this evening's meeting.

3. **Proclamation 24-13:** Public Works Week. Proclamation 24-13 read into the record. Mayor proclaims May 19-25, 2024, as National Public Works Week. Mayor Ross thanked the public works staff who were present at this evening's meeting.

Presentations

4. Community Center Update and CIP Funding Strategy. Presentation by Jeff Hamlin, Parks & Public Works Director and Drew Bouta, Finance Director. Handout provided of Absher Full & Reduced Program Construction Cost Estimates dated April 19, 2024. Topics included progress of the project, recent activities including fundraising and price reduction measures, phased approaches, Phase I and Phase 2 Developments, estimated cost summary for full program and phased approach, CIP and the Community Center background, the four financial buckets, community survey results, planning efforts, 2023-2028 CIP Worksheet, 2025-2030 CIP Worksheet, one-time sales tax and real estate excise tax, interim financing, bonding, and debt service, capital program and debt service sustainability, other options, amount spent and construction cost inflation, and community center benefits. Council comments and questions answered by Director Bouta throughout the presentation.
5. Public Financing and Municipal Bonds. Presentation by Thomas Toepfer, Managing Director, of PFM Financial Advisors. Topics included an introduction to debt financing, types of general obligation debt, debt rating, how credit quality affects borrowing costs, debt capacity, interim financing, line of credit considerations, local government rating calculator, comparable cities, market updates including recent AAA BVAL yield curve movement, municipal market supply & demand, and historical and forecasted interest rates. Council questions answered throughout the presentation.

Council was instructed to direct any questions they may have regarding tonight's presentations to City Administrator Mike Chambless.

Thursday June 6th CIP Open House, here in Council Chambers from 6:30pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA – No comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

6. Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes dated May 13, 2024.
7. Approve the Claims Report dated May 28, 2024.
8. **AB24-067:** Climate Change Task Order.
9. **AB24-057:** FEMA Repetitive Loss Analysis Final Report Resolution

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

Approve the consent agenda.

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

ORDINANCES

10. **AB24-054:** Emergency Housing Code Amendment. This is the second reading of Ordinance No. 1291. Councilmember Washington read the introduction into the record.

It was moved by CM Washington; seconded by CM Wotton to:
Adopt Ordinance 1291 amending various sections of Ch. 17.10 and 17.55 of the Snoqualmie Municipal Code to satisfy the requirements of HB 1220.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety Committee: No report.

Community Development Committee:

11. **AB24-064:** Motion on Environmental Element of Comprehensive Plan. Councilmember Washington read the introduction into the record.

It was moved by CM Washington; seconded by CM Johnson to:
Accept the Council Roundtable edits on the Environmental Element Goal and Policies shown in Exhibit 1 as part of an on-going review of the City Comprehensive Plan Periodic Review Update, 2044, subject to integration and harmonization with the other Comprehensive Plan elements under review.

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

Discussion followed.

It was moved by CM Johnson, seconded by CM Washington to:
Establish and maintain relations with Native American tribes to identify and preserve archaeological site and traditional cultural properties.

PASSED: 5-0 (Washington, Cotton, Johnson)(Benson and Wotton Abstained)

Legal perspective provided by City Attorney Linehan. Comment made by City Administrator Chambless regarding Gateway Park. Additional input provided by Counsel Linehan and Council.

Parks & Public Works Committee:

12. **AB24-063 and AB24-068:** 384th Sewer and Sidewalk Project. Councilmember Benson read the introductions and motions into the record. Presentation provided by Project Engineer Patrick Fry. Questions and comments followed.

It was moved by CM Benson; seconded by CM Wotton to:
Adopt a resolution awarding a Public Works Contract to Rodarte Construction, Inc. for the work described in Schedules A & B of the 384th Avenue SE Sewer and Sidewalk Project, and authorizing the mayor to sign the contract.

And

Adopt a resolution awarding a Public Works Contract to Rodarte Construction, Inc. for the work described in Schedules A, B, & C of the 384th Avenue SE Sewer and Sidewalk Project, and authorizing the mayor to sign the contract.

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

Discussion followed. CM Benson withdrew the first motion, concurred by CM Wotton.

Finance & Administration Committee: No report.

Committee of the Whole: No report.

REPORTS

13. Mayor's Report:

- Congratulations were made to City Clerk Dean who recognized on the Municipal Clerk National Honor Roll.
- Congratulations were made to our fire department who have been recommended for the reaccreditation process.
- Congratulations to the Mt Si High School Boys Soccer Team who won the 4A state title.

14. Commission/Committee Liaison Reports:

- CM Cotton provided an update on the EMS Advisory Task Force.
- CM Johnson noted the Planning Commission has made recommendations for amendment to the mixed-use final plan with regard to retail on Center.
- CM Wotton provided updates on the Snoqualmie Valley Government's Association and Regional Law Safety and Justice Committee.

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION

15. Closed Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) for the planning or adoption of a strategy or position to be taken during the course of any collective bargaining proceedings, or reviewing the proposals made in the negotiations or proceedings; lasting approximately 10 minutes.

At 9:22 pm, Council took a 5-minute break and will reconvene in Executive Session which is expected to last until 9:37 pm. No action is anticipated following the Closed Session.

Council reconvened at 9:37 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Adjourn the meeting.

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

Meeting was adjourned at 9:37 pm.

CITY OF SNOQUALMIE



Katherine Ross, Mayor

Attest:



Deana Dean, City Clerk