



# **CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL ROUNDTABLE MEETING MINUTES**

## **CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

### **August 28, 2023**

---

#### **SPECIAL ROUNDTABLE MEETING**

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

Council recessed at 6:02 pm as there was no quorum.

Council reconvened at 6:07 pm.

**City Council:** Councilmembers Ethan Benson, Rob Wotton, Bryan Holloway, James Mayhew, and Jo Johnson (remote).

Mayor Ross was also present.

It was moved by CM Holloway, seconded by CM Mayhew to excuse CM's Christensen and Washington's absence which was unanimously approved.

**City Staff Present:** Mike Chambless, Interim City Administrator; Deana Dean, City Clerk; Jen Ferguson, Finance & HR Director; and Jimmie Betts, IT Support.

#### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

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

**Approve the agenda.**

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

#### **CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1. 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 last approximately 40 minutes.

Mayor Ross stated no action is anticipated to occur following conclusion of the closed session which was expected to end at 6:50 pm.

CM Christensen arrived at 6:41 pm.

Closed Session commenced at 6:10 pm.

At 6:54 pm, Council resumed open session.

CM Johnson was not present.

CM Mayhew moved to adjourn the Special Roundtable Meeting, seconded by CM Holloway and unanimously approved.

Special Roundtable meeting ended at 6:54 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, James Mayhew, Cara Christensen, and Jolyon Johnson (remote) were present.

Mayor Katherine Ross was also present.

### **City Staff:**

Mike Chambless, Interim City Administrator; Jen Ferguson, Finance and HR Director; Deana Dean, City Clerk; Brian Lynch, Interim Police Chief; Michael Liebetrau, Police Records and Evidence Technician; Danna McCall, Communication Coordinator; Nicole Wiebe, Community Liaison (remote); Patrick Fry, Project Engineer; Hind Ahmed, Project Engineer; Carson Hornsby, Management Analyst (remote); and Jimmie Betts, IT Support.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **AGENDA APPROVAL**

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

**Approve the agenda as amended.**

PASSED: 6-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Mayhew, Christensen, Johnson)

CM Holloway; seconded by CM Christensen to:

**Remove swearing in ceremony until a later date.**

PASSED: 6-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Mayhew, Christensen, Johnson)

CM Holloway; seconded by CM Wotton to:

**Add waiver of noise ordinance for Snoqualmie Parkway to Parks & Public Works Committee Report.**

PASSED: 6-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Mayhew, Christensen, Johnson)

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

2. Swearing In Ceremony – Police Officer David Doucette. Removed from the agenda.

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

- Michelle Drovda, Regional Manager for King County Library System, announced the Snoqualmie Library would be open 7 days per week beginning September 10, 2023. Summer

reading program, which ends on August 31, 2023, has been a success and story time will begin August 29, 2023.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

3. Approve the City Council Meeting Minutes dated August 14, 2023.
4. Approve the Claims Approval Report dated August 28, 2023.
5. **AB23-094:** Fourth Amendment to the Comprehensive Garbage, Recyclables, and Compostables Collection Agreement with Waste Management
6. **AB23-107:** Resolution of Intention to Designate a Residential Targeted Area for the Multi-Family Housing Property Tax Exemption (MFTE) Program and Setting a Public Hearing Date.
7. **AB23-108:** Awarding contract for Phase 1 of the Sandy Cove Bank Park Riverbank Restore, and Outfall Project.

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

**Approve the consent agenda.**

PASSED: 6-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Mayhew, Christensen, Johnson)

## **ORDINANCES**

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Finance & Administration Committee:**

8. **AB23-097:** Pacific West Rail Model Train Museum. This item was read into the record by CM Holloway.
  - Carolyn Villanova, a resident of Seattle, spoke to this item.
  - Shauna Shipp-Martinez, from Snoqualmie Tribe, spoke to this item.
  - Angela Young, from Snoqualmie Tribe, spoke to this item.
  - Chieko Phillips, a resident of Seattle, spoke to this item.
  - Chrissie Sparling, from Snoqualmie Tribe, spoke to this item.
  - Jim Sweet, from Snoqualmie Tribe, spoke to this item.

Council discussion followed.

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

**Approve the Development Agreement and Ground Lease for the Pacific West Rail Model Train Museum, to be located on the “public use” parcel known as Gateway Park, with the agreements to be substantially in the form provided herewith, and authorize the Mayor to sign.**

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

**Return to committee for further consideration.**

PASSED: 6-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Mayhew, Christensen, Johnson)

It was moved by CM Mayhew; seconded by CM Wotton:  
Authorize Mayor to extend the existing MOU for up to six additional months (as modified).  
PASSED: 6-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Mayhew, Christensen, Johnson)

Discussion.

It was moved by CM Mayhew; seconded by CM Christensen to:  
Modify the motion to authorize the Mayor to do that.

Discussion.

It was moved by CM Holloway; seconded by CM Benson to:  
Modify the motion for the extension to be three months.  
PASSED: 6-0 (Benson, Wotton, Holloway, Mayhew, Christensen, Johnson)

**Community Development Committee:** No report.

**Public Safety Committee:** No report.

**Parks & Public Works Committee:**

9. **AB23-101:** Purchase of Community Park Splash Pad Equipment and Installation from Aquatix by Landscape Structures, Inc. This item was read into the record by CM Benson.
- Emily Anderson, resident of Snoqualmie, spoke to this item.
  - The Mayor noted the City received six letters of support for this item.

It was moved by CM Benson; seconded by CM Wotton to:  
**Adopt Resolution No. 1661 approving a purchase order with Aquatix by Landscape Structures, Inc. for Splash Pad Equipment and Installation.**  
PASSED: 4-2 (Wotton, Holloway, Christensen, Johnson)

**Add-on:**  
Exemption to SMC Chapter 9.36 for early start of construction on Snoqualmie Parkway was introduced by CM Holloway. Hind Ahmed, Project Engineer, answered Council questions.

It was moved by CM Holloway; seconded by CM Benson to:  
**Waive the noise ordinance.**  
FAILED: 4-2 (Wotton, Holloway, Mayhew, Christensen)

**Committee of the Whole:** No report.

## REPORTS

### 10. Mayor's Report:

- Successful Snoqualmie Days including the fire department pancake breakfast. Special thanks to the Snoqualmie Days planning team and city staff.

- Meeting with legislators coming up to discuss 2024 legislative priorities. This will be on the F&A agenda next week.

**11. Commission/Committee Liaison Reports:**

- CM Wotton provided updates on the Meadowbrook Farm Preservation Association, Affordable Housing Task Force, and Law Safety and Justice Committee.
- CM Johnson provided an update on the Snoqualmie Planning Commission.

**12. Councilmember Regional Liaison Updates:** None.

**CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION** – None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

**Adjourn the meeting.**

PASSED: 5-1 (Wotton, Holloway, Mayhew, Christensen, Johnson)

Meeting was adjourned at 8:36 pm.

**CITY OF SNOQUALMIE**



---

Katherine Ross, Mayor

Attest:



---

Deana Dean, City Clerk