

PARKS & PUBLIC WORKS COUNCIL COMMITTEE & COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES JULY 16, 2024

This meeting was conducted in person at Snoqualmie City Hall and remotely using Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm.

Committee Members: Councilmembers Ethan Benson, Bryan Holloway, and Catherine Cotton.

Mayor Katherine Ross was also present.

City Staff:

Mike Chambless, City Administrator; Gretchen Garrett, Deputy City Clerk; Drew Bouta, Finance Director; Jeff Hamlin, Parks & Public Works Director; Andrew Vining, Project Engineer; Janna Walker, Budget Manager; and Andrew Jongekryg, IT Support.

AGENDA APPROVAL

The agenda was approved as presented and then amended to change the order of the discussion items.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Alec Anderson from Snoqualmie commented about community interest in a dog park.

MINUTES

1. The minutes from the July 2, 2024, were approved as presented.

AGENDA BILLS

2. AB24-082: Reclaimed Water Reservoir Improvements Project Update.

Discussion, led by Project Engineer Andrew Vining and City Administrator Mike Chambless, included a detailed explanation of why the State requires improvements to the City's reclaimed water distribution system. Committee comments and questions followed. This item will be a discussion item at the July 22, 2024, City Council Roundtable meeting.

DISCUSSION (change in order)

3. Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trails (PROST) Plan.

Presentation by consultant Nick Chen from Kimley Horn who summarized draft findings of community outreach efforts. Marissa Pellegrini and Randall Kopf from Kimley Horn were also present remotely. Chen discussed goals derived from community engagement such as creating an equitable and inclusive park system, enhanced community connections, celebrating natural space, and reinvesting in aging parks. Marissa Pellegrini responded to Snoqualmie resident Alec Anderson about dog parks in the plan.

Committee discussion followed about timing of next steps, including a public hearing, and how the plan impacts economic development in the community.

4. Deliberation and Review of the Utility Rate Study / 2025-2030 Utilities Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Discussion, led by Finance Director Drew Bouta, included an introduction to the cost-of-service analysis and methodology. Committee questions were answered by Finance Director Drew Bouta, Parks & Public Works Director Jeff Hamlin, and City Administrator Mike Chambless.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:49 pm.

Minutes taken by Gretchen Garrett, Deputy City Clerk. Recorded meeting audio is available on the City website after the meeting. Minutes approved at the August 6, 2024, Parks & Public Works Committee Meeting.