

	City Council Study Session Community Wellness Special Focus Area August 28, 2023 - 5:30 PM City Hall Council Chambers MINUTES Watch the meeting LIVE! Watch the meeting video Meeting videos are not available until 72 hours after the meeting has concluded.
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I. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Jeyaraj called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Auburn City Hall, 25 West Main Street.

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A. Public Participation

The City Council Meeting was held in person and virtually.

B. Roll Call

Councilmembers present: Deputy Mayor James Jeyaraj, Bob Baggett, Larry Brown, Robyn Mulenga, Cheryl Rakes, and Yolonda Trout-Manuel. Councilmember Kate Baldwin was excused.

Department directors and staff members present included: Acting City Attorney Harry Boesche, Outside Counsel Bob Sterbank, Assistant Chief of Police Samuel Betz, Director of Community Development Jeff Tate, Director of Public Works Ingrid Gaub, Assistant Director of Engineering Services Jacob Sweeting, Business Systems Analyst Chrissy Malave, and Deputy City Clerk Hannah Scholl.

III. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

No announcements, reports, or presentations.

V. AGENDA ITEMS FOR COUNCIL DISCUSSION

A. Pacific Annexation, Property Purchase, and Potential RCN Grant Application (Gaub) (15 Minutes)

Assistant Director Sweeting provided Council with an overview of the Potential Partnerships and Annexation of City of Pacific and City of Auburn including annexation area, preservation project summaries, estimated

costs, safety concerns, potential funding options including the Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods (NCR) Grant. He discussed the reason for annexation, and next steps.

Council discussed infrastructure, timeline, safety concerns, and the annexation area. Council thanked staff for their hard work.

B. Resolution No. 5735 (Council)

A Resolution amending the City Council Rules of Procedure

Councilmember Rakes, Chair of the Council Rules of Procedure Ad Hoc Committee, provided Council with an overview of creation and purpose of the Committee, and the drafting process.

Council discussed revisions in Section 13.1. Council thanked Chair Rakes for her hard work.

VI. COMMUNITY WELLNESS DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Community Needs Assessment Presentation (Tate) (15 Minutes)

A presentation on the upcoming effort to conduct/update the Auburn Community Needs Assessment

Councilmember Trout-Manuel Chaired this portion of the meeting.

Director Tate provided Council with an overview of the 2023 Community Needs Assessment including eligibility, purpose of assessment, consultants, and next steps.

Council discussed types of service needs within the community, domestic violence, data gathering, and policy updates.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

APPROVED this 5th day of September, 2023.



JAMES JEYARAJ, DEPUTY MAYOR



Hannah Scholl, Deputy City Clerk

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