	City Council Meeting August 5, 2024 - 7:00 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

Mayor Backus called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Auburn City Hall, 25 West Main Street.

II. LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. Public Participation

The City Council Meeting was held in person and virtually.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Backus led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Roll Call

Councilmembers present: Hanan Amer, Kate Baldwin, Cheryl Rakes, Clinton Taylor, Tracy Taylor, and Acting Deputy Mayor Yolanda Trout-Manuel. Deputy Mayor Larry Brown was excused.

Mayor Nancy Backus and the following staff members present included: Acting City Attorney Paul Byrne, Chief of Police Mark Caillier, Director of Public Works Ingrid Gaub, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management Candis Martinson, Acting Director of Community Development Jason Krum, Business Systems Analyst Jonathan Barbano, and Deputy City Clerk Hannah Scholl.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS, MAYOR'S PROCLAMATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Executive Session

Mayor Backus adjourned into executive session at 7:02 p.m. per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee for 15 minutes. Mayor Backus, Councilmembers, Acting City Attorney Byrne, and Director of Human Resources and Risk Management Martinson were required to attend. She reconvened the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

B. Confirmation of New City Attorney (Council)

Acting Deputy Mayor Trout-Manuel moved and Councilmember Amer seconded to confirm Jason Whalen as the City Attorney of Auburn, Washington.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 6-0

Jason Whalen attended the meeting virtually via Zoom. He thanked Mayor and Council for the opportunity and expressed his excitement to serve the City of Auburn.

VI. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

Resolution No. 5782 was removed from the agenda and moved to the August 12, 2024, meeting.

VII. CITIZEN INPUT, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND CORRESPONDENCE

A. Audience Participation

This is the place on the agenda where the public is invited to speak to the City Council on any issue.

1. The public can participate in-person or submit written comments in advance.

Virginia Haugen, Auburn WA

Virginia expressed excitement for the new City Attorney and expressed concerns regarding the Council Rules of Procedure.

B. Correspondence

There was no correspondence for Council to review.

VIII. COUNCIL AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Ad Hoc Committee Chairs may report on the status of their ad hoc Council Committees' progress on assigned tasks and may give their recommendation to the City Council, if any.

1. Finance Ad Hoc Committee (Chair Baldwin)

Councilmember Baldwin, Chair of the Finance Ad Hoc Committee, reported she and Councilmember Amer reviewed the claims and payroll vouchers described on the agenda this evening and recommended their approval.

2. Council Rules of Procedure Ad Hoc Committee (Chair Amer)

Councilmember Amer, Chair of the Council Rules of Procedure Ad Hoc Committee, reported they will continue further discussion at the August 12, 2024, Study Session Meeting.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered by the City Council to be routine and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed.

- A. Minutes of the July 15, 2024, City Council Meeting
- B. Minutes of the July 22 and July 29, 2024, Study Session Meetings
- C. Setting the date for Public Hearing for New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC Franchise Agreement (Gaub)
City Council to set the date for the a Public Hearing for Franchise Agreement No. FRN24-0002 for New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC
- D. Claims Vouchers (Thomas)
Claims voucher list dated July 31, 2024 which includes voucher number 476651 through voucher 477022, in the amount of \$4,355,584.66, seven electronic fund transfers in the amount of \$7,172.71, and five wire transfers in the amount of \$1,042,414.54
- E. Payroll Voucher (Thomas)
Payroll check numbers 539600 through 539603 in the amount of \$676,508.87, electronic deposit transmissions in the amount of \$2,753,595.09, for a grand total of \$3,430,103.96 for the period covering July 11, 2024 to July 24, 2024
- F. Public Works Project No. CP2101 (Gaub)
City Council to approve an increase of \$370,000.00 in the total maximum authorized contract amount for Public Works Contract No. 24-05; Construction of Project No. CP2101, 2023 Local Street Preservation Project

Acting Deputy Mayor Trout-Manuel moved and Councilmember Rakes seconded to approve the consent agenda.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 6-0

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

XII. RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution No. 5771 (Byrne/Gaub)

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Airport Land Lease with S50 Hangars, LLC

Councilmember T. Taylor moved and Councilmember C. Taylor seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5771.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 6-0

B. Resolution No. 5776 (Martinson)

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement between the City of Auburn and Office of Public Defense to accept and expend Grant Funds for Public Defense Services

Councilmember Rakes moved and Councilmember C. Taylor seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5776.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 6-0

C. Resolution No. 5777 (Gaub)

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement between the City of Auburn and the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe for the CP2313 Auburn Way S Roundabout Enhancement Project

Councilmember T. Taylor moved and Acting Deputy Mayor Trout-Manuel seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5777.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 6-0

D. Resolution No. 5778 (Caillier)

A Resolution declaring an Auburn Police Department Canine as Surplus Property and approving its transfer to a purchaser by contract

Councilmember Rakes moved and Councilmember Amer seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5778.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 6-0

E. Resolution No. 5779 (Krum)

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement between the City of Auburn and Cascadia Consulting Group to execute Climate Commitment Program – Phase 1 Scope of Work

Councilmember T. Taylor moved and Councilmember C. Taylor seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5779.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 6-0

XIII. MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

At this time the Mayor and City Council may report on significant items associated with their appointed positions on federal, state, regional and local organizations.

A. From the Council

Councilmember Baldwin reported she attended the Racially Equitable, Diverse, and Inclusive (REDI) Coalition meeting.

Councilmember C. Taylor reported he attended the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Municipal Budget and Financial Management Workshop.

Councilmember T. Taylor reported she was appointed to the Green River College (GRC) Hanford Award Committee and the GRC Foundation Board.

Acting Deputy Trout-Manuel reported she attended the Grand Opening of Pacific NW Bio, Auburn Church of the Nazarene Annual One Neighborhood Community Outreach and Information event, and the Auburn Police Department (APD) and Valley Regional Fire Authority (VRFA) Chili Contest at the Farmers Market.

B. From the Mayor

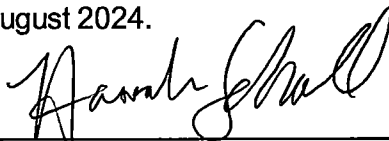
Mayor Backus reported she attended the 35th Annual NHRA Northwest Nationals at Pacific Raceways and thanked the Fiorito family. She reported she was selected to be a part of the Washington Coalition of Elected Leadership Institute (WACELI) to work with other elected officials on complex Public Policy challenges. She addressed juvenile crime, Government Public Safety responsibilities, and the need for all jurisdictions to work together on the issue.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

APPROVED this 19th day of August 2024.


NANCY BACKUS, MAYOR


Hannah Scholl, Deputy City Clerk

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