	City Council Study Session Finance, Technology and Economic Development Special Focus Area June 14, 2021 - 5:30 PM Virtual 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 DaCorsi called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. Virtual Participation Link

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The City Council Meeting was held virtually.

B. Roll Call

Councilmembers virtually present: Deputy Mayor Claude DaCorsi, Bob Baggett, Larry Brown, James Jeyaraj, Robyn Mulenga, Chris Stearns and Yolanda Trout-Manuel.

Mayor Nancy Backus, Innovation and Technical Support Specialist Danika Olson, Assistant Police Chief Mark Caillier and Deputy City Clerk Teresa Mattingly were in Chambers.

The following department directors and staff members attended the meeting virtually: City Attorney Kendra Comeau, Senior City Staff Attorney Harry Boesche, Director of Administration Dana Hinman, Director of Public Works Ingrid Gaub, Director of Innovation and Technology David Travis, Director of Parks, Arts, and Recreation Daryl Faber, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management Candis Martinson, Right-of-Way Specialist Amber Olds, Project Manager Brian Nguyen and Assistant Director of Innovation and Technology Ashley Riggs.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS, REPORTS, AND PRESENTATIONS

There were no announcements, reports or presentations.

IV. AGENDA ITEMS FOR COUNCIL DISCUSSION

A. Legislative Update (Hinman)(45 minutes)

An update to the Auburn City Council on the final outcomes of the 2021 Washington State Legislative Session

Director Hinman and Thompson Consulting Group Senior Vice President, Mike Welch, provided Council with an update on the 2021 Washington State Legislative Session. Director Hinman reviewed the State and Auburn voting districts and which State Representatives represent Auburn. She also discussed the House and State bills that were introduced and passed and how they impact the City of Auburn.

Mr. Welch reviewed the State Legislative budget agreement and discussed the various funds related to pandemic recovery, low carbon fuel standards, the transportation package, wildfire funds and the Public Works Trust Fund.

Council discussed (House Bill) HB1220 and confirmed with Director Hinman that the City is in compliance with the zoning codes related to emergency shelters to be sited or built, if the bill will go for funding in the next legislative session and if there is any funding for Salmon recovery in the State budget.

B. Ordinance No. 6823 (Gaub)(15 Minutes)

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 6759, deadline to complete conditions associated with vacating right-of-way of a portion of the alley north of 3rd Street NE between B Street NE and Auburn Avenue

Specialist Olds reviewed Davis Development Services request to extend the deadline to complete conditions associated with vacating right-of-way previously approved under Ordinance No. 6759 to September 16, 2022.

Council discussed why the right-of-way was not completed on time and why the applicant needs an extension.

C. Ordinance No. 6824 (Gaub)(5 Minutes)

An Ordinance providing a temporary waiver of Right-of-Way Use Permit Fees, set forth in Auburn City Code 12.60.020 and 12.60.025 for outside restaurant seating, in response to the phased opening of commercial businesses following the COVID-19 Declared Public Health Emergency

Director Gaub reviewed extending the temporary waiver of Right-of-Way Use Permit fees for outdoor restaurant seating until the Governor declares that the emergency related to COVID-19 has ended.

Council discussed how long the extension will last, permit fees and how businesses can reapply once the extension expires.

D. Ordinance No. 6825 (Comeau)(15 Minutes)

An Ordinance relating to controlled substances and repealing Chapter 9.22 of the Auburn City Code and amending ACC 9.24.010 to conform with ESB 5476

Deputy City Attorney Boesche provided Council with an update on the State's drug possession law and the reasons for repealing Chapter 9.22 and amending Auburn City Code 9.24.010 to conform with (Engrossed

State Bill) ESB 5476.

Council discussed the bill addressing drug paraphernalia for personal use only and how the filing guidelines and changes could impact the City of Auburn and Community Court.

V. FINANCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. IT Update (Travis)(30 Minutes)

Councilmember Baggett presided over this section of the meeting.

Director Travis, Assistant Director Riggs and Project Manager Nguyen provided Council with an update on the Innovation and Technology Department. Director Travis reviewed what the IT Department does and the divisions of IT.

Project Manager Nguyen discussed the IT Project Management process and key projects for 2020 and 2021.

Assistant Director Riggs reviewed available technical services and their functions. He also discussed how IT provides customer service, daily operations and measuring success.

Council discussed cyber and security threats, backing up data and broadband access in Auburn for underserved residents. Council thanked the IT Department for all their hard work.

VI. OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no other discussion items.

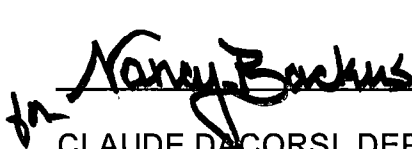
VII. NEW BUSINESS

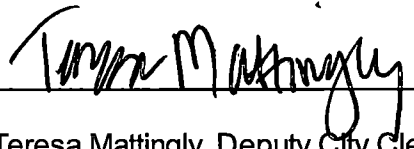
There was no new business.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

APPROVED this 21th day of June, 2021.





CLAUDE DACORSI, DEPUTY MAYOR Teresa Mattingly, Deputy City Clerk

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