

	City Council Meeting May 2, 2022 - 7:00 PM City Hall Council Chambers and 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

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. Public Participation

The City Council Meeting was held in person and virtually.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Nancy Backus called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Auburn City Hall, 25 West Main Street, and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Roll Call

Councilmembers present: Deputy Mayor Jeyaraj, Bob Baggett, Kate Baldwin, Larry Brown, Robyn Mulenga, Chris Stearns, and Yolanda Trout-Manuel.

Mayor Backus, and the following Department Directors and staff members attended the meeting: City Attorney Kendra Comeau, Police Chief Mark Caillier, Innovation and Technical Support Specialist Chrissy Malave, Director of Innovation and Technology David Travis, Director of Public Works Ingrid Gaub, Director of Parks, Arts, and Recreation Daryl Faber, Director of Finance Jamie Thomas, and City Clerk Shawn Campbell.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Mayor Backus made a Land acknowledgment to the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe

B. Goodwill Ambassadors – Miss Auburn Scholarship Program

Mayor Backus read and proclaimed Carrie Everett, Miss Auburn 2022 and Alexis Douglas, Miss Auburn's Outstanding Teen 2022, as Goodwill Ambassadors in the City of Auburn.

Ms. Douglas and Ms. Everett thanked the Mayor and Council for their

support.

C. Proclamation - Mental Health Awareness Month

Mayor Backus to proclaim May 2022 as "Mental Health Awareness Month" in the City of Auburn

Mayor Backus read and proclaimed May as Mental Health Awareness Month in the City of Auburn.

D. Proclamation - National Peace Officers Memorial Day

Mayor Backus to proclaim May 15, 2022 as "National Peace Officers Memorial Day" in the City of Auburn

Mayor Backus read and proclaimed May 11-17 as National Police Week and May 15, 2022 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day in the City of Auburn.

E. Proclamation - Affordable Housing Week

Mayor Backus to proclaim May 8-14, 2022 as "Affordable Housing Week" in the City of Auburn

Mayor Backus read and proclaimed the week of May 8-14, 2022 as Affordable Housing Week in the City of Auburn.

F. Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month

Mayor Backus read and proclaimed May as Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Heritage month.

IV. APPOINTMENTS

There were no appointments.

V. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

The Council was provided updated dates for the payroll vouchers prior to the meeting.

VI. CITIZEN INPUT, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence for Council to review.

A. Public Hearings

1. Public Hearing for MCI Communications Services, LLC Franchise Agreement No. FRN21-0005 (Gaub)

A Public Hearing to consider Franchise Agreement No. FRN21-0005 for MCI Communications Services, LLC

Mayor Backus opened the Public Hearing at 7:20 pm. No one came forward to speak and the hearing was closed.

B. 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.

Victoria Pacho, 12 B Street, Auburn

Ms. Pacho expressed concerns about police violence and racial equity in the City of Auburn.

Bob Zimmerman, 3029 46th Place South, Auburn

Mr. Zimmerman expressed concerns regarding group think in the City of Auburn.

C. Correspondence

There was no correspondence for Council to review.

VII. 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 Baggett)

Councilmember Baggett, Chair of the Finance ad hoc committee, reported he and Councilmember Baldwin have reviewed the claims and payroll vouchers described on the agenda this evening and recommended their approval.

2. Preservation Funding (Chair Stearns)

Councilmember Stearns reported this committee has completed their work.

VIII. 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 April 11, 2022 Study Session Meeting

- B. Minutes of the April 18, 2022 Regular City Council Meeting

- C. Claims Vouchers (Thomas)

Claims voucher list dated May 2, 2022 which includes voucher numbers 467652 through 467796, in the amount of \$1,365,795.50 and five wire transfers in the amount of \$704,788.44

D. Payroll Voucher (Thomas)

Payroll check numbers 539357 through 539361 in the amount of \$559,930.95, electronic deposit transmissions in the amount of \$2,237,148.28 for a grand total of \$2,797,079.23 for the period covering April 14, 2022 to April 17, 2022

E. Increase Contract Amount for American West-Arts and Culture Center (Faber)

City Council to approve an increase of \$100,000.00 in the total maximum authorized contract amount for Public Works Contract No. 21-17; Construction of Project No. CP1612 Auburn Arts and Culture Center

Deputy Mayor Jeyaraj moved and Councilmember Baggett seconded to approve the consent agenda.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

X. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

XI. RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution No. 5655 (Gaub)

A Resolution setting a Public Hearing to consider the Vacation of Right-of-Way of a portion of M Street NW, north of 15th Street NW, together with a portion of 29th Street NW, east of M Street NW, within the City of Auburn

Deputy Mayor Jeyaraj moved and Councilmember Stearns seconded to approve Resolution No. 5655.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

B. Resolution No. 5664 (Gaub)

A Resolution authorizing the City to apply for and if awarded, execute, and administer two grant agreements between the City of Auburn and the Washington State Department of Transportation relating to Project No. CP2213, Runway and Taxiway Improvements and RSA Grading

Councilmember Stearns moved and Councilmember Trout-Manuel seconded to approve Resolution No. 5664.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

XII. 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

Deputy Mayor Jeyaraj noted other jurisdictions are adopting the City of Auburn's philosophy on homelessness.

Councilmember Stearns reported he attended the opening of the new channels in the Green River and a memorial ceremony for the Fall of Saigon.

Councilmember Baggett reported he will be attending the Pierce County Cities Law Enforcement memorial

Councilmember Trout-Manuel reported she attended the HELO Board Meeting and the Children and Youth Advisory Board Meeting.

Councilmember Brown noted President Biden used the City of Auburn Municipal airport for his visit to Auburn.

B. From the Mayor

Mayor Backus reported she participated in Arbor Day activities, a ground breaking for Divine Court, an anti-homelessness summit, President Biden's visit to Green River College, Washington to Washington DC Conference, Empty Bowls fundraiser and a tour at the White River Valley Museum. She thanked retired Fire Deputy Chief Dave Larberg for his service to the Community.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

APPROVED this 16th day of May, 2022.


NANCY BACKUS, MAYOR


Shawn Campbell, City Clerk

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