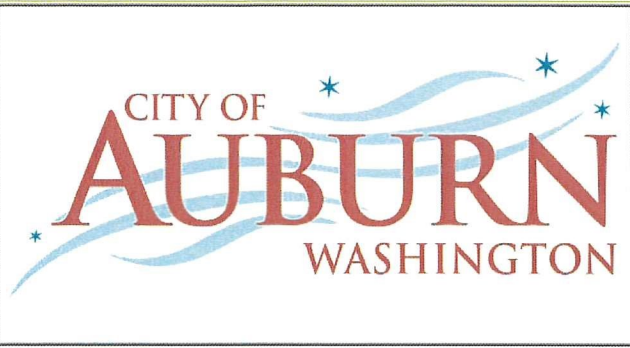


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I. CALL TO ORDER

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 virtually present: Deputy Mayor James Jeyaraj, Larry Brown, Kate Baldwin, Bob Baggett, Robyn Mulenga, and Yolanda Trout-Manuel. Councilmember Stearns was excused.

Mayor Nancy Backus, City Attorney Kendra Comeau, Chief of Police Mark Caillier, Director of Innovation and Technology David Travis, Innovation and Technical Support Specialist Danika Olson and Deputy City Clerk Teresa Mattingly were in Chambers.

The following department directors and staff members attended the meeting virtually: Director of Public Works Ingrid Gaub, Director of Community Development Jeff Tate, Director of Parks, Arts, and Recreation Daryl Faber, Director of Finance Jamie Thomas, Director of Administration Dana Hinman, and Outreach Program Administrator Kent Hay.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Homelessness Update

Director Hinman and Director Tate provided Council with an update on the City of Auburn's response to homelessness from 2011-2021 and reviewed

the 2020 Human Services Funding by Priority Area, 2020-2021 Awarded CDBG-CV Funding and the demographics for unsheltered Auburn residents served in 2021 by race/ethnicity.

Outreach Coordinator Hay reviewed the Auburn Homeless Person Demographics for 2021 and discussed challenges to get people into housing and or treatment.

Council discussed ways to hold homeless individuals accountable, numbers of people who are being helped, the amount of help available, how giving homeless individuals money is adding to the homeless problem, services that are provided once individuals are placed into housing, homelessness in the downtown area, job training programs, funding for the eviction protection program and the hotel purchased by King County.

IV. APPOINTMENTS

A. Boards and Commissions Appointments

City Council to approve the following appointments to Boards and Commissions for three year terms expiring December 31, 2024:

Arts Commission

Christopher Olds

Auburn Municipal Airport Advisory Board

Justin Heater

Jay Miner

Councilmember Brown moved and Councilmember Trout-Manuel seconded to approve the Board and Commission members to a three year term to expire on December 31, 2024.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 6-0

V. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

VI. CITIZEN INPUT, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND CORRESPONDENCE

A. Public Hearings - (No public hearing is scheduled for this evening.)

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.

Hiram Silva

Mr. Silva expressed his concern with homelessness and the impact it has on local businesses.

Barbara Schwend-Setzer

Ms. Schwend-Setzer expressed her concerns regarding noise and safety related to homelessness near the Ames Apartments.

Garrett Haynes

Mr. Haynes expressed his concerns regarding the level of homelessness in Auburn.

Mikky Taylor Tallman

Mr. Tallman discussed working to help those in the community before concerns become problems.

Michael Christenson

Mr. Christenson expressed his concerns that homelessness is having on him as a property owner and his Buds & Blooms tenants.

Brian Brewster

Mr. Brewster expressed his frustration and concerns over the litter problem in Auburn.

Cheryl Rakes

Ms. Rakes expressed her concerns for the safety of businesses in Auburn due to homelessness.

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.

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 February 7, 2022 Regular City Council Meeting

B. Minutes of the January 24, 2022 and February 14, 2022 Study Sessions

C. Claims Vouchers (Thomas)

Claims Voucher list dated February 22, 2022 which included voucher numbers 466830 through 466989, in the amount of \$6,441,077.44, and three wire transfers in the amount of \$462,867.02

D. Payroll Vouchers (Thomas)

Payroll check numbers 539324 through 539330 in the amount of \$ 75,297.42, electronic deposit transmissions in the amount of \$2,403,922.43 also a special payroll for Commissioned Police Retention Bonuses with electronic deposit transmissions in the amount of \$527,476.48, for a grand total of \$3,006,696.33 for the period covering February 03, 2022 to February 16, 2022

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

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 6-0

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

X. ORDINANCES

A. Ordinance No. 6849 (Thomas)

An Ordinance establishing the Local Sales and Use Tax Rate for Local Revitalization Financing for 2022

Councilmember Baggett moved and Deputy Mayor Jeyaraj seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 6849.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 6-0

XI. 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 reported he attended the Sound Cities Association Public Relations Committee

Councilmember Baggett reported he attended the King County Regional Transit Committee Meeting

B. From the Mayor

Mayor Backus reported attending the Regional Policy Committee meeting and she participated on the hiring committee for a SHAPE manager.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

A. Executive Session

Mayor Backus called for Executive Session at 8:35 for 20 minutes per RCW 42.30.110(1)(I). City Attorney Comeau and Police Chief Caillier were required to attend. Mayor Backus extended the session for an additional 10 minutes. The meeting reconvened at 9:08 p.m.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

APPROVED this 7th day of March, 2022.



NANCY BACKUS, MAYOR



Shawn Campbell, City Clerk

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