

**City Council Meeting
February 1, 2016 - 7:00 PM
Auburn City Hall
MINUTES**

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Pledge of Allegiance

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

B. Roll Call

City Councilmembers present: Deputy Mayor Wales, Bob Baggett, Claude DaCorsi, John Holman, Bill Peloza, Yolanda Trout, and Rich Wagner.

Department Directors and staff members present included: Finance Director Shelley Coleman, Community Development and Public Works Director Kevin Snyder, Director of Administration Dana Hinman, Assistant Director of Engineering Services/City Engineer Ingrid Gaub, Parks, Arts and Recreation Director Daryl Faber, Innovation and Technology Director Paul Haugan, Police Commander Mike Hirman, Assistant City Attorney Doug Ruth and City Clerk Danielle Daskam.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

A. MultiCare Health System Presentation

Bill Robertson, President & CEO and Lois Bernstein, Sr. Vice President of Community Health Services

Mr. Bill Robertson, President of MultiCare Health System, spoke about MultiCare's partnership with the City of Auburn and others to be part of a Blue Ribbon Committee with a goal of Auburn as the healthiest city in the state of Washington.

Mayor Backus reported the kickoff meeting for Auburn-the Healthiest City in Washington Blue Ribbon Committee will take place in the next few weeks. The program will be managed by Pat Bailey on behalf of the City of Auburn. Mayor Backus stated it is not acceptable that the life expectancy for residents of South King County is 10-13 years lower than residents of east and north King County. Mayor Backus thanked MultiCare and other members of the Blue Ribbon Committee for their support in building a healthier Auburn.

B. Goodwill Ambassadors Proclamation

Mayor Backus to proclaim Cami Werden, Miss Auburn 2016 and Jaclyn Seifert, Miss Auburn's Outstanding Teen 2016 as "Goodwill Ambassadors for the City of Auburn" during their year of service to the Auburn community.

Mayor Backus read and presented a proclamation designating Miss Auburn 2016 Cami Werden and Miss Auburn's Outstanding Teen 2016 Jaclyn Seifert as "Goodwill Ambassadors for the City of Auburn."

Mayor Backus congratulated each young lady for their accomplishments. Miss Auburn Cami Werden and Miss Auburn's Outstanding Teen Jaclyn Seifert thanked Mayor Backus, the Council, and the community for their support, and each spoke regarding their platform and their gratitude and anticipation to serve as goodwill ambassadors for the City.

III. APPOINTMENTS

A. Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Mayor and City Council to approve the following Boards and Commission appointments. The appointments are each a three year term and will expire on December 31, 2018:

Airport Board

Sparrow Tang
Gary Gustafson

Auburn Lodging Tax Advisory Board

Andy Cho

Deputy Mayor Wales moved and Councilmember Pelosa seconded to confirm the appointment of Sparrow Tang and Gary Gustafson to the Airport Board and Andy Cho to the Auburn Lodging Tax Advisory Board for a three year term expiring December 31, 2018.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

IV. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There was no change to the agenda.

V. CITIZEN INPUT, PUBLIC HEARINGS & CORRESPONDENCE

A. Public Hearings

B. Audience Participation

This is the place on the agenda where the public is invited to speak to the City Council on any issue. Those wishing to speak are reminded to sign in on the form provided.

Rich Rutkowski, 2554 Forest Ridge Drive SE, Auburn
Mr. Rutkowski introduced himself as a resident of the Forest Ridge neighborhood and presented each Councilmember with a handout labeled "Presentation of Petitions to the Mayor & City Council." Mr. Rutkowski recalled that Ordinance No. 4785 and Resolution No. 2665 provide that access to the two stub streets between the Riverwalk and Forest Ridge neighborhoods shall be gated and barricaded and shall be open for emergencies only. Mr. Rutkowski explained that petitions were circulated in both neighborhoods – one to open the gates and the other to keep the gates locked. Mr. Rutkowski presented the signed petitions from residents of the Forest Ridge neighborhood. According to Mr. Rutkowski, the majority of those signing the petitions in the Forest Ridge neighborhood request the City Council confirm the previous ordinance and resolution and keep the gates between the two neighborhoods locked and barricaded except for emergencies.

Joe Santamaria, 2309 28th Court SE, Auburn
Mr. Santamaria spoke on behalf of the members of the Riverwalk Homeowners' Association (HOA). Mr. Santamaria presented the signed petitions from residents of the Riverwalk neighborhood. According to Mr. Santamaria, the majority of those signing the petitions in the Riverwalk neighborhood request the City Council confirm the previous ordinance and resolution and keep the gates between the two neighborhoods locked and barricaded except for emergencies to ensure the stability and tranquility of the neighborhoods.

C. Correspondence

There was no correspondence for Council review.

VI. 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 recommendations to the City Council, if any.

Councilmember Trout reported on behalf of the Council ad hoc committee that reviews claims and payroll vouchers. Councilmember Trout reported that she and Councilmember DaCorsi reviewed claims and payroll vouchers as presented and described on this evening's Consent Agenda, and the committee recommends their approval.

Deputy Mayor Wales reported on behalf of the Council ad hoc committee on committees. The committee will be reviewing the committee structure and implementing a reporting form for committee work. Deputy Mayor Wales added that she has requested Mayor Backus designate a staff person to assist the committee in completing its work.

VII. 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 January 19, 2016 City Council Meeting
- B. Claims Vouchers (Coleman)
Claims voucher numbers 437183 through 437348 in the amount of \$1,943,037.32 and four wire transfers in the amount of \$164,685.98 and dated February 1, 2016.
- C. Payroll Vouchers (Coleman)
Payroll check numbers 536193 through 536225 in the amount of \$689,429.77 and electronic deposit transmissions in the amount of \$1,387,256.78 for a grand total of \$2,076,686.55 for the period covering January 14, 2016 to January 27, 2016.
- D. Public Works Project No. CP1412 (Snyder)
City Council approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$94,555.44 to Contract No. 15-12 for work on Project No. CP1412 (Auburn Community and Teen Center).

Deputy Mayor Wales moved and Councilmember Baggett seconded to approve the Consent Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

X. ORDINANCES

A. Ordinance No. 6587, First Reading (Coleman)

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Auburn, Washington, authorizing the issuance of a Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding Bond of the City in the principal amount of not to exceed \$4,000,000 for the purpose of refunding certain outstanding Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds of the City; providing the form of the bond; and authorizing the sale of the bond

Deputy Mayor Wales moved and Councilmember Holman seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 6587.

Deputy Mayor Wales reported the ordinance was discussed in a previous study session.

In response to a question from Councilmember DaCorsi regarding legal investments referenced on page 15 of the ordinance document, Bond Counsel Deanna Gregory of Pacifica Law Group explained the language in Section 9 of the ordinance is controlled by both federal and state law. The bond proceeds will be placed in an escrow account and be used solely to pay debt service to pay off the refunded bonds and not be invested in any cost of issuance.

B. Ordinance No. 6588, First Reading (Coleman)

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Auburn, Washington, establishing the Local Sales and Use Tax rate for Local Revitalization Financing for 2016

Councilmember Holman moved and Deputy Mayor Wales seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 6588.

Councilmember Holman explained the ordinance levies a tax credit against state sales tax for local revitalization financing of public improvements.

XI. RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution No. 5203 (Faber)

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Auburn, Washington, authorizing the Mayor to execute an amendment to the Conservation Futures Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between King County and the City of Auburn for Open Space Acquisition Projects

Deputy Mayor Wales moved and Councilmember Trout seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5203.

Resolution No. 5203 amends the Conservation Futures Interlocal Agreement between the City and King County to allow for allocation of funds for open space acquisition and development beneficial to the campus at Les Gove Park.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

- B. Resolution No. 5204 (Hinman)
A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Auburn, Washington, approving the Lodging Tax Grant disbursements recommended by the Auburn Lodging Tax Advisory Committee and the Auburn Tourism Board

Councilmember Pelosa moved and Councilmember DaCorsi seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5204.

Resolution No. 5204 approves allocation of lodging tax dollars as recommended by the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

- C. Resolution No. 5207 (Coleman)
A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Auburn, Washington, authorizing the City of Auburn to impose a Sales and Use Tax as authorized by RCW 82.14.415 as a credit against State Sales and Use Tax, relating to annexations

Deputy Mayor Wales moved and Councilmember Pelosa seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5207.

Resolution No. 5207 levies a 0.1% sales tax credit against the state sales tax for annexation of the Lea Hill area.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

- D. Resolution No. 5208 (Snyder)
A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Auburn, Washington, authorizing the Mayor to accept federal grant funds to be administered through the Washington State Department of Transportation

Deputy Mayor Wales moved and Councilmember Trout seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5208.

Deputy Mayor Wales stated the resolution authorizes the Mayor to accept federal grant funds through the Washington State Department of Transportation for streets. The funds will be used for the Lake Tapps Parkway Preservation Project and the 15th Street NW/NE Preservation Project.

Councilmember Wagner stated the funding is an example of the preservation funding allocated through the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) over the years and which the PSRC is considering to reduce. Councilmember Wagner spoke in favor of continuing to use federal funds for street and road preservation.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

XII. MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

At this time the Mayor and City Council may report on their significant City-related activities since the last regular Council meeting.

A. From the Council

Deputy Mayor Wales reported on the work of the Junior City Council, whose members will travel to Washington, DC, in March and attend the National League of Cities Conference. Deputy Mayor Wales also spoke regarding the County Board of Health efforts relating to the Zika virus and vaping regulations.

Councilmember DaCorsi reported on his attendance at the Regional Transit Committee meeting where the Committee voted on its Strategic Plan and received a briefing on service guidelines for the Regional Transit Committee.

Councilmember Holman reported on his attendance at the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Green River College Mel Lindbloom Student Union Building. The new student union building is named for the first president of Green River College, and its construction was funded by the students through a tax on themselves.

Councilmember Pelosa reminded that the National League of Cities prescription drug discount program is available to residents of the City of Auburn. The prescription drug discount card program began in the city in 2009, and in the past six years has provided \$157,000.00 in savings to 7,600 participants. Councilmember Pelosa also reported on his attendance at the Green Duwamish Watershed Advisory Group meeting.

Councilmember Baggett reported on his attendance at the Association of Washington Cities legislative days at the capitol and where Councilmembers had the opportunity to visit with state legislators and convey the City's legislative agenda.

Councilmember Trout reported on her participation in a Domestic Violence Task Force teleconference, where members of the Task Force discussed upcoming agenda items and pending legislation related to firearms surrender.

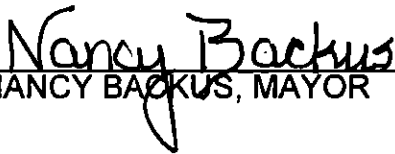
B. From the Mayor

Mayor Backus reported on her attendance at the U.S. Congress of Mayors where she met with aides for Senator Murray and Congressman Reichert to discuss the legislative priorities of the City, participated as a member of the Veterans Affairs Task Force, and visited the White House and met with President Obama. Mayor Backus also reported on her attendance at the Miss Auburn Scholarship Program, a meeting with Congressman Reichert regarding the General Services Administration's project for a replacement building, and the Sound Transit Board meeting where Mayor Backus made the motion that will reinstate funding for the second parking garage in Auburn. Mayor Backus also reported she attended the Sound Cities Association Executive Board retreat where she was elected president of the Board for the Sound Cities Association for the upcoming year.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

APPROVED this 16th day of February, 2016.



NANCY BACKUS, MAYOR



Danielle Daskam, City Clerk