



**City Council
Regular Meeting
August 18, 2025 - 7:00 PM
City Hall Council Chambers**

MINUTES

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.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mayor Backus acknowledged the Federally Recognized Muckleshoot Indian Tribe as the ancestral keepers of the land we are gathered on today.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The City Council Meeting was held in person and virtually.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Deputy Mayor Cheryl Rakes, Hanan Amer, Lisa Stirgus, Tracy Taylor, and Yolanda Trout-Manuel. Councilmember Clinton Taylor arrived at 7:02 p.m. and Councilmember Kate Baldwin attended the meeting virtually via Zoom.

Mayor Nancy Backus and the following staff members present included: Chief of Police Mark Caillier, Director of Finance Jamie Thomas, Director of Public Works Ingrid Gaub, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management Candis Martinson, and Deputy City Clerk Hannah Scholl.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, MAYOR'S PROCLAMATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

A. International Overdose Awareness Day

Mayor Backus proclaimed August 31, 2025, as "International Overdose Awareness Day" in the City of Auburn.

Chief Caillier accepted the proclamation and thanked all first responders.

APPOINTMENTS

- A. Urban Tree Board
City Council to approve the appointment of Benjamin Woodhouse to the Urban Tree Board for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2027

Councilmember T. Taylor moved and Councilmember Amer seconded to approve the appointment of Benjamin Woodhouse to the Urban Tree Board for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2027.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Public Hearing for Right-of-Way Vacation No. VAC25-0002 (Gaub)
A Public Hearing to consider Right-of-Way Vacation No. VAC25-0002

Mayor Backus opened the Public Hearing at 7:06 p.m.

Virginia Haugen provided comments.

Mayor Backus closed the Public Hearing at 7:07 p.m.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Written Comments:

The City Clerk's Office received written comments from Yuval Fleming, which were forwarded to the Mayor and Council for review prior to the meeting.

In-Person Comments:

Shannon Snyder and Virginia Haugen provided comments.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence for Council to review.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes from the August 4, 2025, City Council Meeting
- B. Minutes from the August 11, 2025, Study Session Meeting
- C. Setting the date for a Public Hearing for Resolution No. 5851, approving the surplus of Vehicle 6903C, 2010 Vactor Truck (Gaub)

- D. Setting the date for a Public Hearing for Resolution No. 5853, the surplus of City-Owned Utility Real Property (Whalen)
- E. Claims Vouchers (Thomas)
Claims voucher list dated August 13, 2025 which includes voucher numbers 480754 through voucher 481051, in the amount of \$6,292,597.10, thirteen electronic fund transfers in the amount of \$2,068.65 and four wire transfers in the amount of \$713,147.05
- F. Payroll Voucher (Thomas)
Payroll check numbers 539716 through 539720 in the amount of \$81,991.00, electronic deposit transmissions in the amount of \$2,964,422.54, also a special payroll for our Commissioned Police contract retro with an electronic deposit transmission in the amount of \$776,412.28, for a grand total of \$3,822,825.82 for the period covering July 31, 2025 to August 13, 2025
- G. Public Works Project No. CP2335 (Gaub)
City Council to approve Contract No. 25-02, to Colvico, Inc. in the amount of \$1,476,572.86 for Project No. CP2335 Auburn AWOS, Beacon and Generator Installation

Deputy Mayor Rakes moved and Councilmember C. Taylor seconded to approve the consent agenda.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

ORDINANCES

- A. Ordinance No. 6984 (Gaub)
An Ordinance vacating City Right-of-Way located within a portion of the Northwest corner of 1st Street NW and B Street NW within the City of Auburn, Washington

Councilmember T. Taylor moved and Deputy Mayor Rakes seconded to approve Ordinance No. 6984.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

RESOLUTIONS

- A. Resolution No. 5848 (Whalen)
A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement on behalf of the City of Auburn, to sell vacant property to Industrial Works, LLC

Councilmember C. Taylor moved and Councilmember T. Taylor seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5848.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

- B. Resolution No. 5850 (Martinson)
A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement for the provision of District Court Services between King County and the City of Auburn

Deputy Mayor Rakes moved and Councilmember Stirgus seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5850.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

- C. Resolution No. 5852 (Gaub)
A Resolution authorizing an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Auburn and King County for services and construction relating to improvements on 124th Avenue SE and the intersection of 124th Avenue SE And SE 320th Street

Councilmember T. Taylor moved and Deputy Mayor Rakes seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5852.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

- A. From the Council
Councilmembers provided reports on the events they attended.
- B. From the Mayor
Mayor Backus provided a report on the events she attended.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

APPROVED this 2nd day of September 2025.

NANCY BACKUS, MAYOR

Hannah Scholl, Deputy City Clerk