



**City Council
Study Session
PW & CD Special Focus Area
March 24, 2025 - 5:30 PM
City Hall Council Chambers**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Councilmember Tracy Taylor called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Auburn City Hall, 25 West Main Street.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Study Session Meeting was held in person and virtually.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Hanan Amer, Clinton Taylor, Tracy Taylor, and Yolanda Trout-Manuel. Councilmember Kate Baldwin attended the meeting virtually via Zoom and Deputy Mayor Cheryl Rakes was excused.

Mayor Nancy Backus and the following staff members present included: City Attorney Jason Whalen, Director of Public Works Ingrid Gaub, Director of Community Development Jason Krum, Director of Parks, Arts, and Recreation Julie Krueger, Senior Project Engineer Matt Larson, Senior Project Engineer Jeffrey Bender, Planning Services Manager Alexandria Teague, Senior Planner Dinah Reed, and Deputy City Clerk Hannah Scholl.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, REPORTS, AND PRESENTATIONS

There were no announcements, reports or presentations.

PUBLIC WORKS AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Capital Projects Status Report and Feature Capital Project (Gaub) (20 Minutes)

Engineer Larson provided Council with a presentation on the Capital Project Status Report, including the online interactive mapping tool, and the current status of projects: CP2317 2024 Neighborhood Improvements, CP2110 Auburn Avenue Regional Growth Access Improvements, CP2305 2023/2024 Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program, and CP2309 Citywide Uncontrolled Crossing Enhancements.

Engineer Bender provided Council with a presentation on the Featured Capital Project: CP1622 Auburn Way South - Hemlock to Poplar including project area, existing conditions, purpose, and project scope, budget and schedule.

Council discussed Capital Project CP1622 including funding, design, traffic impacts, and project area. They also discussed Capital Project CP2110 including the construction phase, road closures, and project timeline.

- B. Ordinance No. 6972 (Krum) (15 Minutes)

An Ordinance amending Sections 16.06.020, 16.06.055 and 16.06.130 and adding Sections 16.06.085 and 16.06.095 of the Auburn City Code relating to the State Environmental Policy Act

Planner Reed provided Council with a presentation on Ordinance No. 6972 including the background and purpose of the Washington State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), and a summary of the Code changes.

- C. Ordinance No. 6976 (Krum) (5 Minutes)

An Ordinance amending the Comprehensive Zoning Map

Manager Teague provided Council with an overview of Ordinance No. 6976 including the Code corrections.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

APPROVED this 7th day of April 2025.

CHERYL RAKES, DEPUTY MAYOR

Hannah Scholl, Deputy City Clerk