



**City Council
Study Session
Finance and Internal Services SFA
May 12, 2025 - 5:30 PM
City Hall Council Chambers**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Cheryl Rakes 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: Deputy Mayor Cheryl Rakes, Lisa Stirgus, Clinton Taylor, Tracy Taylor, and Yolanda Trout-Manuel. Councilmember Kate Baldwin arrived at 5:32 p.m. and Councilmember Hanan Amer attended the meeting virtually via Zoom.

Mayor Nancy Backus and the following staff members present included: Deputy City Attorney Paul Byrne, Assistant Chief of Police Samuel Betz, Director of Finance Jamie Thomas, Utility Billing Services Manager Joan Nelson, Director of Public Works Ingrid Gaub, Director of Parks, Arts, and Recreation Julie Krueger, Director of Human Services Kent Hay, and City Clerk Shawn Campbell.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were no modifications to the agenda.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, REPORTS, AND PRESENTATIONS

There were no announcements, reports, or presentations.

FINANCE AND INTERNAL SERVICES DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Waste Management's 2024 Annual Report (Thomas) (30 Minutes)

Manager Nelson introduced Laura Moser, Jason Shea, and Hon Kirkland from Waste Management. They provided the Council with an overview of the Waste Management 2024 Annual Report, including Waste Management commitments and value to the City of Auburn, the operations provided by Waste

Management, and the Litter Crew. They also discussed the Waste Stream summary, including the garbage, recycling and yard waste tonnage, and Recycle Right Events.

Council discussed recycling internship programs, incentivizing businesses, route times, Laura Moser's upcoming retirement and replacement, innovation for multifamily customers, kudos to the drivers, capital improvements for Waste Management, bulk item pickup, and cost savings with recycling and composting for businesses.

B. Ordinance No. 6975 (Thomas) (30 Minutes)
An Ordinance amending the City's 2025-2026 Biennial Budgets

Director Thomas provided the Council with an overview of Ordinance No. 6975. She reviewed the types of amendments being proposed, including beginning fund balance true-up, carry forwards of unspent 2024 budget items, new programs with offsetting revenue, and Capital Project Adjustments. She reviewed the summary of changes to the General Fund, ARPA Fund Carry Forwards, a summary of all other Fund Carry Forwards, and new funding requests.

Council discussed the Emergency Housing Vouchers Program and the process of allocating funds from one fund to another.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

APPROVED this 19th day of May 2025.

CHERYL RAKES, DEPUTY MAYOR

Shawn Campbell, City Clerk