



City Council Study Session PWCD SFA
June 8, 2020 - 5:30 PM
Virtual
MINUTES

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I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. Virtual Participation Link

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The City Council Meeting was held virtually in the Council Chambers.

B. Roll Call

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

Mayor Nancy Backus and the following department directors and staff members were present: Innovation and Technical Support Specialist Danika Olson, Director of Innovation and Technology David Travis, Chief of Police Dan O'Neil and City Clerk Shawn Campbell.

The following department directors and staff members attended the meeting virtually: Police Commander Steve Stocker, Director of Community Development Jeff Tate, Director of Finance Jamie Thomas, Senior Transportation Planner Cecile Malik, Capital and Construction Engineering Manager Ryan Vondrak, Senior Traffic Engineer James Webb, Director of Public Works Ingrid Gaub, Economic Development Manager Doug Lein, Director of Administration Dana Hinman and Director of Human Resources and Risk Management Candis Martinson.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS, REPORTS, AND PRESENTATIONS

There were no announcements, reports or presentations.

IV. AGENDA ITEMS FOR COUNCIL DISCUSSION

A. Use of Force and Commendations, Inquiries, Allegations (CIA) Update (O'Neil)(30 Minutes)

Commander Stocker presented Council with the Use of Force and Commendations, Inquiries, Allegations (CIA) Update. The Police Department received 93 accommodations in 2019, conducted 18 internal investigations with 11 findings of misconduct and 11 supervisory inquiries with 7 findings of unacceptable performance. He reviewed types of allegations, number of collision and use of force reports and allegations. There were 19 collisions with 14 of those being deemed preventable, there were 214 Use of Force Reports completed with 3 allegations of excessive force, all three were deemed acceptable use of force. He also reviewed the force types, effectiveness of force, force used resulting in injury, the time of day for use of force and reason for use of force.

Council discussed the Vascular Neck Restraint (VNR) training, the "Other" category for use of force, what macular tension pulled away means, lethal use of force, types of employee misconduct, use of force types and escalation of force, policy for use of force regarding gender, who reviews allegations, how complaints are made and the possibility of having an independent review board.

B. SKHHP Progress Update and Draft 2020-2021 Work Plan (Tate)(25 Minutes)

South King Housing and Homelessness Partners (SKHHP) 2019 End of the Year Report and draft 2020-2021 Work Plan and overview of proposed 2021 and 2022 jurisdiction contributions to SKHHP

Director Tate provided a brief overview on the South King Housing and Homelessness Partners (SKHHP) 2019 End of Year Report, the draft 2020-2021 Work Plan and the proposed 2021 and 2022 contributions to SKHHP.

SKHHP Executive Manager Angela San Filippo provided Council with an update on the 2019 End of Year Report, the draft 2020-2021 Work Plan and the 2021-2022 Budget, and how the COVID-19 pandemic affected the cost-burdened households in King County.

Council discussed the challenges tenants will have making up their back rent after the eviction moratorium ends, contractors building affordable housing and what safe and affordable housing means.

C. Ordinance No. 6777 (Thomas)(10 Minutes)

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 6767 extending the temporary waiver of late fees for utility accounts and airport fees in light of a declared Public Health Emergency related to COVID- 19

Director Thomas explained this ordinance is an extension through August

31, 2020 of Ordinance No. 6767 temporarily waiving late fees for utility accounts and airport fees.

V. PUBLIC WORKS AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Pierce Transit Long Range Plan Presentation (Gaub)(20 Minutes)

Councilmember Stearns presided over the Public Works section of the meeting.

Senior Planner Malik introduced Principal Planner Darin Stavish from Pierce Transit who provided Council with an update on Destination 2040 Pierce Transit Long Range Plan (LRP) and discussed the purpose, goals, and objectives of the LRP. He also reviewed projects that have moved forward, expected expansion of ridership, proposed routes and frequencies of future routes, web-based engagement and next steps including; adoption of the long range plan and requested a formal comment letter from the City of Auburn.

B. Lea Hill Road Corridor Study (Gaub)(20 Minutes)

Manager Vondrak provided Council with an update on the Lea Hill Corridor Study. He reviewed the project background, corridor challenges, study objectives, public involvement and existing pedestrian and transit facilities. He also discussed crash data for the corridor, the level of service at intersections, the level of service if no updates are made, performance metrics for the study, corridor recommendations, plan implementation and next steps.

Council discussed the order of projects, data on pedestrian injuries, the intersection grading review process and the options for bus lanes or pull outs.

C. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan and Resolution No. 5514 to adopt ADA policies (Gaub)(20 Minutes)

Senior Planner Malik provided Council with a presentation on the draft Americans with Disability Act (ADA) transition plan for facilities in the Public Right-of-Way. She reviewed the elements of the plan and the types of public outreach completed. She also discussed the legal background of the plan, a self-evaluation for the requirements and compliance, the existing and new policies in the transition plan, the plan for transitioning to full ADA compliance and next steps.

Council requested an annual update on the status of the ADA projects.

Deputy Mayor DaCorsi called for a 5 minute recess at 7:42 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 7:47 p.m.

D. Ordinance No. 6778 (Gaub)(10 Minutes)

An Ordinance 6778 providing a temporary waiver of Right-of-Way Use Permit fees, for outside restaurant seating in the public right-of-way, in response to the phased opening of commercial businesses following the COVID-19 declared Public Health Emergency

Director Gaub presented Council with information on Ordinance No. 6778 and discussed a temporary waiver of the non-refundable permit application fee for Right-of-Way Use permits applied for by restaurants to temporarily allow outdoor seating.

E. CARES Small Business Assistance (Hinman)(10 Minutes)

Overview of a draft approach for distributing Small Business Assistance Grants using the City's allocation of CARES funding

Manager Lein provided Council with an update on the CARES Small Business Assistance Program. He reviewed the purpose of the CARES funding and the criteria that defines the types of businesses that are eligible to receive grant funds.

Council discussed the criteria for CARES funding.

F. Resolution No. 5525 (Tate)(10 Minutes)

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract for professional services with the eCityGov Alliance for the purposes interfacing the City's permit system with MyBuildingPermit.com

Director Tate provided Council with an update on Resolution No. 5525 and discussed the purpose of creating a common online permitting software interface.

VI. OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS

Councilmember Stearns stated he attended the Educator and Students march and rally at City Hall last week and was very impressed with the organizers, the Muckleshoot Tribe and their performance and Mayor Backus and her speech.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

APPROVED this 6th day of July, 2020.

CLAUDE DACORSI, DEPUTY MAYOR Shawn Campbell, City Clerk

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