

	<p><b>City Council Meeting</b>  <b>May 3, 2021 - 7:00 PM</b>  <b>City Hall Council Chambers</b>  <b>MINUTES</b>  <b>Watch the meeting LIVE!</b></p> <p><b>Watch the meeting video</b>  Meeting videos are not available until 72 hours after the meeting has concluded.</p>
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## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. VIRTUAL PARTICIPATION LINK

### 1. Virtual Participation

The City Council Meeting was held virtually.

### A. Pledge of Allegiance

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

### B. Roll Call

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

Mayor Nancy Backus, Innovation and Technical Support Specialist Danika Olson, Police Chief Dan O'Neil and City Clerk Shawn Campbell were in Chambers.

The following department directors and staff members attended the meeting virtually: City Attorney Kendra Comeau, Director of Community Development Jeff Tate, Director of Public Works Ingrid Gaub, Director of Finance Jamie Thomas, Director of Administration Dana Hinman, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management Candis Martinson, Director of Innovation and Technology David Travis and Assistant Director of Innovation and Technology Ashley Riggs.

## III. ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

### A. National Police Week & Peace Officers Memorial Day

Mayor Backus read and proclaimed May 9-15, 2021 as National Police Week and May 13, 2021 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day.

B. **Mental Health Awareness Month**

Mayor Backus read and proclaimed May 2021 as Mental Health Awareness Month.

C. **Older Americans Month**

Mayor Backus read and proclaimed May 2021 as Older Americans Month.

IV. **AGENDA MODIFICATIONS**

Proclamations for National Police Week & Peace Officers Memorial Day, Mental Health Awareness Month and Older Americans Month were added to the agenda.

V. **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

VI. **CITIZEN INPUT, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

A. **Public Hearings - (No public hearing is scheduled for this evening.)**

B. **Audience Participation**

*This is the place on the agenda where the public is invited to speak to the City Council on any issue.*

Bob Zimmerman

Mr. Zimmerman provided comments about propane safety.

Christina Harris

Ms. Harris provided comments in support of grocery workers hazard pay.

Greg Saar

Mr. Saar provided comments in opposition of grocery workers hazard pay.

Mayor Backus discussed her characterization of Zanita Reed's public comment regarding Ordinance No. 6817 during the April 19, 2021 Council Meeting.

C. **Correspondence**

There was no correspondence for Council to review.

## **VII. 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 recommendation to the City Council, if any.**

### **1. Finance Ad Hoc Committee (Chair Baggett)**

Councilmember Baggett, Chair of the Finance ad hoc committee, reported he and Councilmember Jeyaraj have reviewed the claims and payroll vouchers described on the agenda this evening and recommended their approval.

### **2. Grocery Worker Hazard Pay (Chair Brown)**

Councilmember Brown, Chair of the Grocery Worker Hazard Pay ad hoc committee, reported he, Deputy Mayor DaCorsi and Councilmember Jeyaraj have not meet since the last report.

## **VIII. 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 April 19, 2021 Regular City Council Meeting**

### **B. Minutes of the April 26, 2021 Study Session**

### **C. Claim Vouchers (Thomas)**

Claim voucher list dated May 3, 2021 which includes voucher numbers 463158 through 463295 in the amount of \$2,603,005.18 and three wire transfers in the amount of \$192,821.49

### **D. Payroll Vouchers (Thomas)**

Payroll check numbers 539137 through 539140 in the amount of \$530,513.44 and electronic deposit transmissions in the amount of \$2,114,763.17, for a grand total of \$2,645,276.61 for the period covering April 14, 2021 to April 28, 2021

Deputy Mayor DaCorsi moved and Councilmember Baggett seconded to approve the consent agenda.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0**

## **IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

## **X. ORDINANCES**

### **A. Ordinance No. 6818 (Council)**

An Ordinance Protecting the Health, Safety, and Prosperity of Grocery Workers and the General Public during the existing State of Emergency

Deputy Mayor DaCorsi moved and Councilmember Brown seconded to table Ordinance No. 6818 to the May 17, 2021 Council Meeting.

Council discussed staff providing a presentation regarding impacts to the community, equity to grocery workers, impact to communities of color, impact to the grocery stores, profitability of grocery stores, a presentation from UFCW-21 and the Grocers at the next study session.

MOTION CARRIED 6-1. Councilmember Stearns voted no.

Councilmember Stearns moved to hear a presentation from the UFCW-21 and the Grocers at the Council Study Session on May 10, 2021.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

## **XI. RESOLUTIONS**

### **A. Resolution No. 5595 (Gaub)**

A Resolution authorizing the adoption of the Facilities Master Plan

Councilmember Brown moved and Councilmember Trout-Manuel seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5595.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

### **B. Resolution 5589 (Tate)**

A Resolution amending the lease agreement between the City of Auburn and Sound Transit for a property located within the Auburn Sound Transit Parking Garage

Councilmember Stearns moved and Councilmember Baggett seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5589.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

## **XII. MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS**

*At this time the Mayor and City Council may report on significant items associated with their appointed positions on federal, state, regional and local organizations.*

### **A. From the Council**

Deputy Mayor DaCorsi reported he attended the Sound Cities Association Affordable Housing Caucus meeting.

Councilmember Trout-Manuel reported she attended the National League of Cities Hispanic Elected Local Officials (HELO) meeting.

Councilmember Stearns reported he attended the Watershed and Ecosystem Management meeting and the Indigenous Municipal Officials meeting with the National League of Cities. He also thanked the Kiwanis club for their work during Clean Sweep.

Councilmember Jeyaraj reported he and Councilmember Baggett participated in Clean Sweep.

**B. From the Mayor**

Mayor Backus thanked the participants of Clean Sweep. She reported she met with participants at the Ray of Hope, attended a quarterly meeting with the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, monthly interfaith roundtable, Puget Sound Regional Council's General Assembly meeting and a retirement party for Brian Petty.

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

APPROVED this 17th day of May, 2021.

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NANCY BACKUS, MAYOR

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Shawn Campbell, City Clerk

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