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I. **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.

II. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

III. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

1. Public Participation

The City Council Meeting was held in person and virtually.

A. **Pledge of Allegiance**

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

IV. **Roll Call**

Councilmembers present: Deputy Mayor Larry Brown, Hanan Amer, Kate Baldwin, Cheryl Rakes, Clinton Taylor, and Tracy Taylor. Councilmember Yolonda Trout-Manuel was excused.

Mayor Nancy Backus and the following staff members present included: Acting City Attorney Doug Ruth, Chief of Police Mark Caillier, Director of Public Works Ingrid Gaub, Utilities Engineering Manager Ryan Vondrak, Acting Director of Community Development Jason Krum, Director of Special Projects Jeff Tate, Director of Human Services Kent Hay, Business Systems Analyst Chrissy Malave, and City Clerk Shawn Campbell.

V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS, MAYOR'S PROCLAMATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS**

A. Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Mayor Backus proclaimed April 2024 as "Sexual Assault Awareness Month" in the City of Auburn.

Legal Advocate Raquel Rodriguez with King County Sexual Assault Resource Center accepted the proclamation. She thanked the Mayor and

Council for their support, provided statics regarding sexual assault, and encouraged survivors to seek help.

B. Sikh Heritage Month

Mayor Backus proclaimed April 2024 as "Sikh Heritage Month" in the City of Auburn.

VI. **AGENDA MODIFICATIONS**

The proclamation for National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week was removed from the agenda.

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

A. **Public Hearings**

1. Public Hearing for Ziply Fiber Pacific, LLC Franchise Agreement No. FRN23-0003

City Council to hold a Public Hearing to Consider Franchise Agreement No. FRN23-0003 for Ziply Fiber Pacific, LLC

Mayor Backus opened the Public Hearing at 7:09 pm.

Virginia Haugen, Auburn WA

Virginia spoke about the importance of fiber optics.

Mayor Backus closed the Public Hearing at 7:10 pm.

B. **Audience Participation**

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

1. The public can participate in-person or submit written comments in advance.

Linda Redman, Auburn

Linda spoke about God and freedom of choice.

Virginia Haugen, Auburn

Virginia spoke about the need for better roads, and the Mayor and Council's attendance to the National League of Cities Conference.

C. **Correspondence**

There was no correspondence for Council to review.

VIII. **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 Baldwin)

Councilmember Baldwin, Chair of the Finance Ad Hoc Committee, reported she and Councilmember Amer reviewed the claims and payroll vouchers described on the agenda this evening and recommended their approval.

IX. 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 March 18, and 22, 2024, Special City Council Meetings

B. Minutes of the March 25, 2024, Study Session Meeting

C. Claims Vouchers (Thomas)

Claims voucher list dated March 27, 2024 which includes voucher number 475363 through 475526, in the amount of \$1,847,661.98, nine electronic fund transfers in the amount of \$5,513.87, and five wire transfers in the amount of \$875,711.94

D. Payroll Voucher (Thomas)

Payroll check numbers 539577 through 539579 in the amount of \$633,698.16, electronic deposit transmissions in the amount of \$2,731,081.81, for a grand total of \$3,364,779.97 for the period covering March 14, 2024 to March 27, 2024

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

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X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

XII. ORDINANCES

A. Ordinance No. 6933 (Krum)

An Ordinance amending Title 2 of the Auburn City Code formalizing the creation of the City of Auburn Department of Innovation and Technology

Councilmember Baldwin moved and Councilmember Amer seconded to approve Ordinance No. 6933.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 6-0

B. Ordinance No. 6934 (Krum)

An Ordinance amending Title 2 of the Auburn City Code formalizing the creation of the City of Auburn Office of Equity

Councilmember Baldwin moved and Councilmember C. Taylor seconded to approve Ordinance No. 6934.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 6-0

C. Ordinance No. 6935 (Krum)

An Ordinance amending Title 2 of the Auburn City Code formalizing the creation of the City of Auburn Department of Human Services

Councilmember Baldwin moved and Councilmember C. Taylor seconded to approve Ordinance No. 6935.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 6-0

XIII. 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

Councilmember Amer reported she attended the Auburn Food Bank Ribbon Cutting event, and the Chaska Bar & Grill Ribbon Cutting event.

Councilmember Rakes reported she attended the Auburn Food Bank Ribbon Cutting event, the Chaska Bar & Grill Ribbon Cutting event, and the Good Eggs Breakfast.

Councilmember C. Taylor reported he attended Auburn Food Bank Ribbon Cutting event, and the Good Eggs Breakfast.

Councilmember T. Taylor reported she attending the Auburn Food Bank Ribbon Cutting event, and the Seattle Animal Shelter Foundation Meeting.

B. From the Mayor

Mayor Backus reported she attended the Auburn Food Bank Ribbon Cutting event, PepsiCo Rolling Remembrance event, Chaska Bar & Grill Ribbon Cutting event, the Good Eggs Breakfast, monthly meeting with Mayor's of Kent & Renton, King County Assessor's meeting to discuss property tax exemptions/reductions for Seniors, and Opening Day of Little League.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

APPROVED this 15th day of April 2024.

NANCY BACKUS, MAYOR

Shawn Campbell, City Clerk

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