

City Council Meeting May 21, 2018 - 7:00 PM City Hall Council Chambers MINUTES

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I. CALL TO ORDER

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 in Auburn and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Roll Call

Councilmembers present: Deputy Mayor Bob Baggett, Larry Brown, Claude DaCorsi, John Holman, Bill Peloza, Yolanda Trout-Manuel, and Largo Wales.

Mayor Backus and the following department directors and staff members were present: Finance Director Shelley Coleman, Police Commander Dan O'Neil, City Attorney Daniel B. Heid, Director of Administration Dana Hinman, Innovation and Technology Director Paul Haugan, Human Resources and Risk Management Director Rob Roscoe, Assistant Director of Engineering Services/City Engineer Ingrid Gaub, Parks, Arts and Recreation Director Daryl Faber, Economic Development Manager Doug Lein, and City Clerk Danielle Daskam.

II. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

A. Human Resources and Risk Management Director Rob Roscoe

Mayor Backus announced Human Resources and Risk Management Director Rob Roscoe will be leaving the City June 1st to take the position of Deputy Director with the Washington Cities Insurance Authority. Mayor Backus read several testimonials regarding Mr. Roscoe and his career at the City and poked a little fun as well. Mayor Backus expressed regret at Director Roscoe's departure and thanked him for his service to the City.

III. CITIZEN INPUT, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND CORRESPONDENCE

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

No public hearing was 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. Those wishing to speak are reminded to sign in on the form provided.

Bob Darrigan, 104 S 325th Place, Federal Way

On behalf of Lions Club Zone C3, Mr. Darrigan thanked Mayor Backus, the Council, and Parks Department staff for their efforts and facilitation of the annual special needs fishing derby at Mill Pond Park. Special needs children with their families and their friends participated in the event. Mr. Darrigan thanked the businesses and organizations that helped organize the event, and Mr. Darrigan thanked the City for its continued support.

Bob Zimmerman, 33029 46th Place South, Auburn Mr. Zimmerman spoke regarding seismic safety, job safety, and code enforcement.

C. Correspondence

There was no correspondence for City Council review.

IV. 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.

Councilmember Brown, chair of the Finance ad hoc committee, reported he and Councilmember Holman reviewed claims voucher numbers 448715 through 448920 and wire transfers totaling approximately \$5,195,000.00 and payroll check numbers 537895 through 537921 and electronic deposit transmissions totaling approximately \$2.2 million. Councilmember Brown reported all items were in order, and the ad hoc committee recommends approval.

Councilmember DaCorsi, chair of the Roads Projects ad hoc committee, reported the committee, consisting of Deputy Mayor Baggett and Councilmember Trout-Manuel and himself, met May 14, 2018, with Assistant Director of Engineering Services/City Engineer Gaub and Traffic Engineer James Webb to review Transportation Improvement Plan projects. The ad hoc committee plans to meet again next week.

V. 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 May 7, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting
- B. Claims Vouchers (Coleman)

Claims vouchers 448715 through 448920 in the amount of \$4,611,953.69 and two wire transfers in the amount of \$583,828.14 and dated May 21, 2018.

C. Payroll Vouchers (Coleman)

Payroll check numbers 537895 through 537921 in the amount of \$228,912.24 and electronic deposit transmissions in the amount of \$2,001,636.22 for a grand total of \$2,230,548.46 for the period covering May 3, 2018 to May 16, 2018.

Deputy Mayor Baggett moved and Councilmember Trout-Manuel seconded to approve the Consent Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

VIII. ORDINANCES

A. Ordinance No. 6683 (Heid)

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Auburn, Washington, repealing Section 2.30.040 of the Auburn City Code relating to the limitation on serving on more than one board or commission

Deputy Mayor Baggett moved and Councilmember Holman seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 6683.

Councilmember Wales spoke against the ordinance. She spoke in favor of limiting the ability to appoint any individual to more than one board or commission. Councilmember Wales stated limiting the membership on multiple boards or commissions will provide opportunity to other members of the community to serve.

Councilmember Holman agreed with Councilmember Wales' comments about providing opportunity for members of the community to serve. Councilmember Holman spoke in favor of the proposed ordinance stating it will allow more flexibility for appointments to boards and commissions, particularly when insufficient volunteers are available..

Councilmember Trout-Manuel agreed with Councilmember Wales comments and spoke against the ordinance.

Councilmember DaCorsi spoke against the proposed ordinance.

Councilmember Peloza spoke in favor of the ordinance and recalled prior to being elected to the City Council he served on the White River Valley Historical Society Board while also serving on the Airport Advisory Board.

MOTION CARRIED. 4-3 Councilmembers DaCorsi, Trout-Manuel, and Wales voted no.

IX. RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution No. 5365 (Roscoe)

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Auburn, Washington, confirming the appointment of Steven L. Gross as City Attorney for the City of Auburn, Washington

Councilmember Holman moved and Councilmember Brown seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5365.

Councilmember Holman spoke in favor of appointing Steve Gross as the City's new City Attorney citing Mr. Gross's past service with the City as Assistant City Attorney, his previous municipal law experience, and his experience with the United States Army. Mr. Gross left the City of Auburn to become City Attorney for the City of Port Townsend approximately four years ago.

Councilmember Peloza spoke in favor of the appointment of Steve Gross as the City's new City Attorney.

Councilmember Wales stated that, while City Attorney Heid is irreplaceable, she was happy to learn Steve Gross would be returning to the City of Auburn as City Attorney.

Mayor Backus thanked Human Resources and Risk Management Director Roscoe and City Attorney Heid for their efforts in recruiting Steve Gross to return to the City of Auburn.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

B. Resolution No. 5368 (Hinman)

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Auburn, Washington, authorizing the Mayor to execute an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Auburn and Green River College for the purpose of providing small-business education and training

Councilmember Brown moved and Deputy Mayor Baggett seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5368.

Councilmember Brown spoke in favor of the resolution and the benefits of the City's business incubator.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, 7-0

C. Resolution No. 5369 (Gaub)

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Auburn, Washington, authorizing the Mayor to accept federal grant funds to be administered through the Washington State Department of Transportation for the A Street SE Preservation Project

Councilmember DaCorsi moved and Councilmember Trout-Manuel seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5369.

Councilmember DaCorsi explained Resolution No. 5369 authorizes the acceptance of a federal grant in the amount of \$881,800.00 to finance the design, environmental permitting, and construction phases of the A Street SE Preservation Project. The grant requires a fifty percent local funding match, which is included in proposed budget amendment number 6. The project will grind and overlay A Street SE from East Main to 17th Street SE.

In response to questions from Council, Assistant Director of Engineering Services/City Engineer Gaub explained the project is already included in the Capital Facilities Plan for 2019 and 2020, but Washington State Department of Transportation had grant funds available this year. The total project cost is approximately \$1.7 million.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0

X. 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 Baggett reported on his attendance at the annual State Law Enforcement Officers and Fire Fighters (LEOFF) Education Association's conference for LEOFF Board members, where he attended education sessions on community para medicine, Medicare and veterans benefits, and stem cell therapy. Deputy Mayor Baggett also reported on his attendance at the ribbon cutting ceremony for McDonald's at 1531 Auburn Way North and the Medic 1/EMS Levy Task Force Finance Subcommittee meeting.

Councilmember Peloza reported on his attendance at the Metropolitan Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee meeting where the committee discussed tipping fees, implications of China Sword and plastics recycling markets, the Cedar Hills Landfill, and the Green Schools recycling program.

Councilmember Trout-Manuel reported on her attendance at the Senior Center Coffee Hour along with Councilmember Peloza.

Councilmember Wales reported on her attendance at the Auburn Art Walk. She thanked the Parks Department staff for their assistance during the event.

Councilmember Holman reported on his attendance at the Washington State Forensic Investigations Council meeting and noted several

employment opportunities at the Washington State Crime Lab.

Councilmember Brown thanked Councilmember Peloza for his work on the Solid Waste Advisory Committee. Councilmember Brown reported he has visited a landfill near Goldendale, the Roosevelt facility, which processes all solid waste from Snohomish County and produces electricity from the waste.

Councilmember DaCorsi reported he attended the State Affordable Housing Advisory Board meeting where Board members discussed Opportunity Zone designation and opportunities for development of affordable housing and a report from the Department of Ecology updating the Board on Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6095 which provides a toxic cleanup program similar to the Brownfields Program. Councilmember DaCorsi also reported on his attendance at the Regional Transit Committee meeting.

B. From the Mayor

Mayor Backus reported she was in Washington, D.C. May 7-9, 2018 with the Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber of Commerce as part of the Washington to Washington annual conference. At the conference, Mayor Backus participated on a panel for 2018 federal health care with special focus on mental health. Other panels at the conference related to Joint Base Lewis-McChord; transportation and infrastructure; commerce, cultural and maritime ties that bind Washington and Alaska; and small business in Tacoma and Pierce County. Mayor Backus also reported on her attendance at the Lions Zone C3 Fishing Derby, the Skills Inc. Run for Abilities held at Roegner Park, Petpalooza, and the Master Builders Association ramp-a-thon. Mayor Backus announced an upcoming Mental Health Town Hall on Thursday, May 31st at 5:30 p.m. at the Auburn Community and Events Center, where a panel of experts will be on hand to provide information on mental health services available in the area.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned 8:09 p.m.

APPROVED this 4th day of June, 2018.	
NANCY BACKUS, MAYOR	Danielle Daskam, City Clerk

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