

Special City Council Meeting March 23, 2020 - 5:00 PM Virtual and City Hall Council Chambers MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Nancy Backus called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Auburn City Hall, 25 West Main Street in Auburn.

A. Roll Call

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

Mayor Nancy Backus and the following department directors and staff members were present: Director of Innovation and Technology David Travis, Innovation and Technical Support Specialist Danika Olson, Network Analyst Brian Nguyen, Chief of Police Dan O'Neil and Deputy City Clerk Teresa Mattingly.

The following department directors and staff members virtually present: City Attorney Kendra Comeau, Assistant Information and Technology Director Ashley Riggs, Director of Administration Dana Hinman, Director of Finance Jamie Thomas and Director of Community Development Jeff Tate.

II. Virtual Participation

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The Special City Council Meeting was held virtually and in person in the Council Chambers.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Mayor Backus to proclaim an emergency related to COVID-19 and the City's commitment to provide a continuing response

Mayor Backus read and proclaimed an Emergency and Temporary Moratorium on Residential Late Payment Fees, an Emergency and Temporary Moratorium on Commercial Evictions and directed City staff to identify opportunities to assist Auburn residents, small businesses, tenants, and other people in Auburn affected by COVID-19.

IV. ORDINANCES

A. Ordinance No. 6767 (Thomas)

An Ordinance temporarily waiving late fees for utility accounts and airport fees, superseding certain sections of Auburn City Code requiring payment of such late fees as set forth in ACC 12.56.045; 13.06.300; 13.06.511; 13.20.390; and 13.48.120, in light of a declared Public Health Emergency Related To COVID-19

Deputy Mayor DaCorsi motioned and Councilmember Trout-Manuel seconded to suspend City Council Procedure Rule 3.1(N)(2) requiring any Ordinance to be included on a Study Session agenda prior to being included in a Council Meeting agenda for consideration.

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Deputy Mayor DaCorsi moved and Councilmember Baggett seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 6767.

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V. RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution No. 5506 (Thomas)

A Resolution ratifying Emergency Proclamation 2020-03 establishing a temporary moratorium on residential tenant late fees related to late payments

Deputy Mayor DaCorsi moved and Councilmember Mulenga seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5506.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 5-0

Council discussed extending the moratorium if necessary.

B. Resolution No. 5507 (Martinson)

A Resolution confirming the Appointment of Kendra Comeau as the City Attorney for the City of Auburn

Deputy Mayor DaCorsi moved and Councilmember Trout-Manuel seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5507.

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C. Resolution No. 5508 (Thomas)

A Resolution ratifying Emergency Proclamation 2020-04 establishing a temporary moratorium on commercial evictions

Deputy Mayor DaCorsi moved and Councilmember Baggett seconded to adopt Resolution No. 5508.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 5-0

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

APPROVED this 6th day of April, 2020.

NANCY BACKUS, MAYOR Teresa Mattingly, Deputy City Clerk

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