



Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council

City Hall
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Information: 360.753.8244

Tuesday, August 13, 2024

6:00 PM

Council Chambers, Online and Via
Phone

Register to Attend:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_s8dELpqRShmrxBnU89e0IA

1. ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Mayor Dontae Payne, Mayor Pro Tem Yến Huỳnh, Councilmember Jim Cooper, Councilmember Clark Gilman, Councilmember Dani Madrone, Councilmember Lisa Parshley and Councilmember Robert Vanderpool

1.A ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager Jay Burney introduced the City's State Legislative Lobbyist Nick Federici.

1.B APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Payne noted Item 6.D will be moved to the September 17 City Council agenda.

The agenda was approved as amended.

2. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

2.A [24-0650](#) Special Recognition - Proclamation Recognizing Festival of the Steh Chass

Councilmembers read a proclamation recognizing the Festival of the Steh-Chass.

Squaxin Island Tribe Chairman Kris Peters discussed honoring the past to carry on for future generations and moving forward together. Deschutes Estuary Restoration Team Representative Jean Patnude discussed the Festival of the Steh-Chass happening on August 17.

The recognition was received.

2.B [24-0640](#) Special Recognition - Proclamation Recognizing Women's Equality Day

Councilmembers read a proclamation recognizing Women's Equality Day.

YWCA Co-Executive Director Alli Ewing discussed the significance of Women's Equality Day.

The recognition was received.

- 2.C** [24-0658](#) Special Recognition - Proclamation Recognizing the 50th Anniversary of West Olympia Rotary

Councilmember Vanderpool read a proclamation recognizing the 50th Anniversary of the West Olympia Rotary.

West Olympia Rotary President Katya Miltimore discussed the work of the Rotary in the community and discussed the donation of \$50,000 for the installation of "Life is Water" art piece by Taylor Krise. The art will be installed at Rotary Point.

The recognition was received.**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following people spoke: Mark Fleming, Joanne Defoer, Jay Burnberg, Colton Rose, Paul Staments and Kody Zalewski.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 4.A** [24-0661](#) Approval of August 5, 20204 Special City Council Meeting Minutes

Mayor Payne noted the minutes were amended to remove the announcement related to the introduction of the City's new State Legislative contactor.

The minutes were adopted as amended.

- 4.B** [24-0651](#) Approval of a Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with the City of Tumwater for the Design and Construction of the Mottman Road Pedestrian and Street Improvements Project

The resolution was adopted.

- 4.C** [24-0652](#) Approval of a Resolution Accepting State Grant Funds for the Mottman Road Pedestrian and Street Improvements Project

The resolution was adopted.**4. SECOND READINGS (Ordinances)**

- 4.D** [24-0610](#) Approval of an Ordinance Amending Olympia Municipal Code Title 4 To Add A New Chapter OMC 4.39 Relating To Recovery Of Certain Costs Of Providing Basic Life Support Emergency Medical Services Transport

The ordinance was adopted on second reading.**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

Councilmember Parshley moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Huynh, to adopt the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Payne, Mayor Pro Tem Huynh, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Gilman, Councilmember Madrone, Councilmember Parshley and Councilmember Vanderpool

4. FIRST READINGS (Ordinances) - None

5. PUBLIC HEARING - None

6. OTHER BUSINESS

- 6.A** [24-0664](#) Approval of a Resolution Declaring the Investigation, Arrest, and Prosecution of Anyone Engaging in Entheogen-Related Activities Should Be Among the City of Olympia's Lowest Law Enforcement Priorities and Stating the City Council's Support for Full Decriminalization of these Activities

City Manager Burney shared data regarding arrests associated with entheogen related substances.

Councilmembers discussed the resolution.

Councilmember Gilman moved, seconded by Councilmember Parshley, to approve a resolution declaring the investigation, arrest, and prosecution of anyone engaging in entheogen-related activities should be among the City of Olympia's lowest law enforcement priorities and stating the City Council's support for full decriminalization of these activities. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Payne, Mayor Pro Tem Huynh, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Gilman, Councilmember Madrone, Councilmember Parshley and Councilmember Vanderpool

- 6.B** [24-0665](#) Joint Animal Services Update

Joint Animal Services Executive Director Sarah Hock shared an update on the work and programming of Joint Animal Services.

Councilmembers asked clarifying questions.

The report was received.

- 6.C** [24-0657](#) Approval of Bid Award and Resolutions Required for the Fones Road Improvement Project

Public Works Engineering Project Manager Jim Rioux shared an overview of the Fones Road Corridor Project, it's elements, funding, schedule and public outreach.

Councilmembers asked clarifying questions.

Councilmember Cooper moved, seconded by Councilmember Madrone, to award the construction contract for the Fones Road Improvement Project to Pivetta Brothers Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$13,469,491.12. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Payne, Mayor Pro Tem Huynh, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Gilman, Councilmember Madrone, Councilmember Parshley and Councilmember Vanderpool

Councilmember Cooper moved, seconded by Councilmember Gilman, to approve a resolution authorizing a supplement to the existing consultant services agreement with KPG PSOMAS, Inc. in the amount of \$2,685,896.00. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Payne, Mayor Pro Tem Huynh, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Gilman, Councilmember Madrone, Councilmember Parshley and Councilmember Vanderpool

Councilmember Cooper moved, seconded by Councilmember Vanderpool, to approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents necessary to obligate additional grant funding from the Federal Highway Administration. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Payne, Mayor Pro Tem Huynh, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Gilman, Councilmember Madrone, Councilmember Parshley and Councilmember Vanderpool

- 6.D** [24-0659](#) A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Olympia, Washington, Approving the Purchase of Twelve Patrol Vehicles Through the Washington State Department of Enterprise Services Purchase Program and Obligating Funds for Such Purchase

The resolution was postponed.

7. CONTINUED PUBLIC COMMENT - None

8. COUNCIL INTERGOVERNMENTAL/COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REFERRALS

Councilmembers reported on meetings and events attended.

- 8.A** [24-0668](#) Consider a Referral Regarding the Study of Reparations for the Descendants of Enslaved African People

Mayor Payne presented the referral requesting the following:

- Staff to draft a resolution calling on the state Legislature, Governor, Congress, and the Office of the President of the United States to create state and federal

taskforces/commissions to study reparations for the descendants of enslaved African people. The resolution should also encourage other Washington municipalities to join the City of Olympia in making a similar request of our state and federal governments.

- Staff to research possible city-scale actions and continue to explore ways city government can support efforts to petition our state and federal governments to study this issue and implement findings.

- Staff to connect Olympia Strong initiatives, Affordable Homeownership Study findings, Comprehensive Plan, Fair Housing Assessment, Capital Facilities, and non-government and governmental partnerships to our city's actions.

- Research other cities that have taken similar actions.

Mayor Payne noted there will be a Study Session scheduled regarding this topic in the near future. Councilmembers discussed the referral.

The referral was approved.

9. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT AND REFERRALS

Assistant City Manager Debbie Sullivan introduced Deputy City Attorney Jake Stillwell.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.