Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council

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Tuesday, October 1, 2024　　　　**6:00 PM**　　**Council Chambers, Online and Via Phone**

Study Session
Attend: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82908773865?
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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

2.　BUSINESS ITEM

2.A　24-0805　　　　Deschutes Estuary Restoration Project Interlocal Agreement Briefing

Mayor Payne opened the meeting and invited everyone to introduce themselves.

City Manager Jay Burney noted that the evening's presentation is a culmination of seven years of work between the Washington State Department of Enterprise Services (DES) the Squaxin Island Tribe, Thurston County, the City of Olympia, the City of Tumwater, the Port of Olympia, and the LOTT Clean Water Alliance to address shared responsibilities for a restored Deschutes Estuary. He noted the proposed Interlocal Agreement (ILA)formalizes the Memorandum of Understanding between the jurisdictions.

Anne Larson, Special Assistant to the Director, Department of Enterprise Services noted the restoration of an estuary of this size in an urban setting has never been done before.

Tessa Gardner-Brown, Principal, Floyd Snider, shared an overview of key components of the restoration project, the benefits that will be unlocked with the ILA and legislative mandates for shared funding.

Sarah Reich, Project Director, ECO Northwest, reviewed the components of the ILA including guiding principles; the approach to shared governance and funding; sediment management; schedule and signature process.

Dave Merchant, Assistant Attorney General was also present at the meeting.

Councilmembers asked clarifying questions.

The study session was completed.

3. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.