



Meeting Minutes

City Council

City Hall
601 4th Avenue E
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Information: 360.753.8244

Tuesday, January 17, 2023

7:00 PM

Council Chambers, Online and Via
Phone

Register to

Attend:https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_IJFflbAyRsG-n6Zhf7c_AQ

1. ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Mayor Cheryl Selby, Mayor Pro Tem Clark Gilman, Councilmember Jim Cooper, Councilmember Dani Madrone, Councilmember Lisa Parshley and Councilmember Dontae Payne

Excused: 1 - Councilmember Yén Huỳnh

1.A ANNOUNCEMENTS - NONE

1.B APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

1.C PUBLIC HEARING TO PROVIDE AN APPROXIMATELY EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR PERSONS TO EXPRESS SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION FOR THE OLYMPIA TUMWATER FIRE AUTHORITY BALLOT PROPOSITION NO. 1 AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION ON APRIL 25, 2023

******THE PUBLIC WILL BE GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK AT THIS TIME FOR OR AGAINST THIS LEVY******

- 1.C [23-0067](#) Public Hearing to Provide an Approximately Equal Opportunity for Persons to Express Support or Opposition for the Olympia Tumwater Fire Authority Ballot Proposition No. 1 at the Special Election on April 25, 2023

Mayor Selby opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m. The following people spoke: Larry Dzieza, Jim Lazar, Karen Messmer, Steven Buscz, Larry Dibble, and Bob Jacobs. The public hearing was closed at 7:19 p.m.

The public hearing was held and closed.

2. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

- 2.A [23-0078](#) Special Recognition - Proclamation Recognizing National Day of Racial Healing

Councilmembers read a proclamation recognizing January 17 as the National Day of Racial Healing.

YMCA Senior Branch Director Michelle Gipson accepted the proclamation.

The recognition was received.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following people spoke: Jim Lazar, Esther Kronenberg, Whitney Bowerman and Ken Ringer.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

4.A [23-0069](#) Approval of the January 10, 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes

The minutes were adopted.

4.B [23-0075](#) Approval of 2023 Council Meeting Calendar and Committee Assignments

The decision was adopted.

4. SECOND READINGS (Ordinances) - NONE

4. FIRST READINGS (Ordinances)

4.C [23-0071](#) Approval of an Ordinance Adopting the City of Olympia Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan

The ordinance was approved on first reading and moved to second reading.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Councilmember Parshley moved, seconded by Councilmember Cooper, to adopt the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Selby, Mayor Pro Tem Gilman, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Madrone, Councilmember Parshley and Councilmember Payne

Excused: 1 - Councilmember Huynh

5. PUBLIC HEARING - NONE

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.A [23-0055](#) Consideration of a Resolution Expressing City Council Support for the

Olympia Tumwater Fire Authority Ballot Proposition No. 1 at the Special Election on April 25, 2023, Following a Public Hearing to Afford Persons an Approximately Equal Opportunity to Express Their Views In Support Or Opposition To the Ballot Measure

Councilmembers discussed their perspectives on the Regional Fire Authority process.

Councilmember Parshley moved, seconded by Councilmember Cooper, to adopt the resolution expressing City Council support for the Olympia Tumwater Fire Authority Ballot Proposition No. 1 at the special election on April 25, 2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Selby, Mayor Pro Tem Gilman, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Madrone, Councilmember Parshley and Councilmember Payne

Excused: 1 - Councilmember Huynh

6.B [23-0070](#) LOTT Clean Water Alliance Update - Planning for the Future

LOTT Clean Water Alliance Executive Director Matt Kennelly gave an overview of the LOTT organization and planning into the future.

Councilmembers asked clarifying questions.

The information was received.

6.C [23-0036](#) Approval of Ordinance Amending Olympia Municipal Code Regarding Regulations of Fencing

Senior Planner Cari Hornbein gave an overview of an ordinance adopting amendments to Chapter 18.40 of the Olympia Municipal Code to allow the use of electric security fencing around storage yards within commercial and industrial zone districts.

Councilmembers asked clarifying questions. Amarak Director of Government Affairs Michael Pate answered questions from Councilmembers.

Councilmember Madrone moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gilman, to approve an ordinance adopting amendments to Chapter 18.40 of the Olympia Municipal Code to allow the use of electric security fencing around storage yards within commercial and industrial zone districts. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Selby, Mayor Pro Tem Gilman, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Madrone, Councilmember Parshley and Councilmember Payne

Excused: 1 - Councilmember Huynh

6.D [23-0043](#) Approval of Lodging Tax Advisory Committee 2023 Lodging Tax Funding Recommendations

Economic Development Director Mike Reid gave an overview of the function of Lodging Tax and the associated Committee. Mr. Reid shared the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee recommendations for 2023 tourism funding. Councilmembers asked clarifying questions.

Councilmembers discussed the funding allocation recommendation related to Lakefair in light of recent concerns regarding the Lakefair Royalty and Scholarship Program.

At the request of the City Council, the topic will be forwarded to the Social Justice and Equity Commission to provide advice and recommendations on how to incorporate equity and social justice into the application process and review criteria for Lodging Tax. The topic will also be added to the Community Livability and Public Safety Work plan.

City Manager Jay Burney; Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Manager and Liaison to the Social Justice and Equity Commission Tobi Hill-Meyer; a member of the Social Justice and Equity Commission; and a Councilmember will meet with the Lakefair Board to gauge their interest, willingness, and commitment to create an event that preserves what is loved about Lakefair and reflects the values of our community of being welcoming and inclusive.

Councilmember Cooper moved, seconded by Councilmember Parshley, to approve the 2023 Lodging Tax Advisory Committee recommendation except for the proposed Lakefair funding. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Selby, Mayor Pro Tem Gilman, Councilmember Cooper, Councilmember Madrone, Councilmember Parshley and Councilmember Payne

Excused: 1 - Councilmember Huynh

7. CONTINUED PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

8. COUNCIL INTERGOVERNMENTAL/COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REFERRALS

Councilmembers reported on meeting and events attended.

9. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT AND REFERRALS

City Manager Burney reported that a five year old in the community who wanted to meet a garbage truck driver was visited by Waste Resources Staff.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:54 p.m.