

**CITY OF SHORELINE**  
**SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL**  
**SUMMARY MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING**

Monday, December 5, 2016  
5:45 p.m.

Conference Room 303 - Shoreline City Hall  
17500 Midvale Avenue North

**PRESENT:** Mayor Roberts, Deputy Mayor Winstead, Councilmembers McGlashan, Scully, Hall, McConnell, and Salomon

**ABSENT:** None

**STAFF:** Debbie Tarry, City Manager; John Norris, Assistant City Manager; Scott MacColl Intergovernmental Program Manager; and Bonita Roznos, Deputy City Clerk

**GUESTS:** 32<sup>nd</sup> District Legislators; Representatives Cindy Ryu and Ruth Kagi

At 5:55 p.m., the meeting was called to order by Mayor Roberts.

Scott MacColl, Intergovernmental Program Manager, shared that the State Legislature is beginning their 2017-2019 Biennial Budget Process and funding education required by the McCleary Decision is of primary importance. He shared that in addition to meeting the funding obligations for the McCleary Decision, that the Governor's Office anticipates a \$750 Million to a \$1Billion deficit. He communicated Governor Inslee's commitment to invest in mental health and homelessness, an initiative to combine children services, integration of physical and behavior services, the Fast Act, and making Washington State Driver's license compliant with federal standards.

He presented the City of Shoreline's 2017 Legislative Priorities:

1. Support Local Government Financial Sustainability and Flexibility:
  - a. Revise 1% Property Tax Limitation
  - b. Increase flexibility on existing revenues
2. Support and enhance actions to increase affordable housing, decrease homeless, and improve a strained mental and behavioral health system
3. Support stable, permanent funding for public health
4. Revised Public Records action to address changing technology, reduce frivolous requests, and allow for cities to charge a reasonable fee for electronic or commercial requests
5. Support increasing state revenue from non-regressive revenue sources to support education and to maintain the human services safety net
6. Restore funding infrastructure programs that support basic local infrastructure.

He also stated that the City is supporting the following Legislative Issues:

1. A levy swap to fund basic education cannot come at the expense of the social safety net or by transferring state responsibility to local government
2. Advocate for city tools, such as funding and regulatory authority to support transit communities
3. Support continued efforts to explore new watershed-based funding authorities to support multiple-benefit projects that address salmon habitat protection and restoration, water, quality, stormwater management, and flood management

Rep. Ryu shared that \$70 Billion in budget “asks” have been received. She spoke about the challenges the State faces in complying with federally mandated identification requirements, and shared that emergency management and her work with the Community Development, Housing, and Tribal Affairs Committee are areas she will be focusing on in the next session. She stated that the Police Use of Force Bill passed with changes, and talked about the benefits of using cross laminated wood as an alternative to wood and concrete for buildings.

Rep. Kagi shared that she was appointed to co-chair a commission to create a new department to provide early intervention services for children and families, and to determine how to best serve the adolescent population. She stated that she is continuing to advocate for safe gun storage, funding education through efforts like the Early Start Act, and suggested that early learning facilities be housed at the Light Rail Stations. She stated that the King County Legislative Agenda include addressing the 1% Property Tax Limits, Public Record Requests, Public Health, and getting cities and counties the tools that allow them to support themselves.

Councilmembers shared that the State will also need to raise new revenues to support the services they offer, and provide cities authority to raise revenue without depending on a levy lid lift every six years. They discussed the Washington State Department of Transportation consideration of a gas tax, and asked if climate change is a more urgent issue. Rep. Ryu responded that the gas tax is not supported by eastern Washington. Councilmembers shared Shoreline affordable housing efforts, and pointed out that the use of cross laminate timber would also require changes to the building code.

A discussion on the State’s mental health challenges ensued and Rep. Kagi pointed out the inefficiencies in the court system, and noted public defense costs are 8% of the budget, and that little is provided for the mandated services.

At 6:43 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.

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Bonita Roznos, Deputy City Clerk