

CITY OF SHORELINE
SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL
SUMMARY MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, December 4, 2017
5:45 p.m.

Conference Room 303 - Shoreline City Hall
17500 Midvale Avenue North

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

ABSENT: Councilmember McConnell

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

GUESTS: 32nd District Legislators: Senator Maralyn Chase; Representatives Ruth Kagi and Cindy Ryu

At 5:51 p.m., the meeting was called to order by Mayor Roberts.

Mayor Roberts welcomed the 32nd District Legislative Representatives and thanked them for attending the Workshop Dinner Meeting.

Scott MacColl, Intergovernmental Program Manager, asked what needs to be addressed for Washington State's Supplemental Budget.

Rep. Ryu shared that the Legislature agreed on the passage of a Supplemental Budget, but expressed that there may not be enough votes to approve the Capital Projects Bond Bill. She said she anticipates a short 60-Day Legislative Session and advised getting proposed Bills in early. She talked about Washington State's problematic water rights history and how the ecological rule, depicted in the Hirst Decision, was shifted to the counties, and requires a larger legislative fix. Rep. Kagi added that counties do not have the money or expertise to address the issue, and without viable solutions the Bill will not receive the required 60% vote. Rep. Ryu stated that the Growth Management Act is being revised and advised Councilmembers to take a look at it, and that she is also working on getting tax adjustments for Senior and Veterans to help them qualify for affordable housing.

Senator Chase shared that she does not anticipate passage of the Capital Bond portion of the State's Capital Budget. She talked about the importance of rebuilding the economic development policy to increase the standard of living for all. She explained that the Sound Transit 3 (ST3) tax will have a negative impact on lower income homeowners. She distributed documents on tax regressivity and pointed out the decline in people living in non-metro Eastern and Western Washington areas, and that she anticipates their economies to collapse. She shared that the

capital gains tax does not solve the problem and that the intangible property tax needs to be reinstated. She said 63% of working people bear the burden of taxes and that it is not fair.

Rep. Kagi complemented Councilmembers on the Subarea Station Planning to prepare for the Light Rail Stations and increased density. She shared that the 60-Day Legislative Session created a huge demand and Bill proposal screening process. She stated that she is sponsoring House Bill 1280 for referred and diverted youth and working on narrowing auto decline to heinous and violence crimes. She shared that she is working to change juvenile sentencing in Adult Court in Juvenile Rehabilitation Facilities to age 25; increase funding for foster care providers; and change tolling liability to protect consumers and increase owner occupied units in the area. She shared that manufactured homes parks are being shut down and park owners are asked to assist with relocating tenants. She talked about the lapse in the Apple Health Care for All Kids Program putting kids from poor families at risk, and working on a legislation to provide fund matching incentives to people building early childcare facilities. She expressed concern about budget cuts negatively impacting funding for human services, Medicaid, substance abuse, and mental health and behavioral services.

Mr. MacColl asked what the difference between the 2017-19 Biennium Budget and the 2018 Supplemental Budget will be, and about addressing the McCleary Decision. Rep. Kagi responded that it is a challenging budget, and a clearer picture will be provided once the Governor's Budget is known. She said the Legislature is not happy with the McCleary Decision, that rainy day funds are being used to fund salary gaps, and that the budget must address shortfalls in special education.

Councilmembers noted the impact of the Supreme Court's Hirst Decision on small municipalities and associated environmental issues for the protection of ground water, and said the resolution undermines water right principles, and stressed that salmon and clean water have to be protected. They spoke about the zoning process the City undertook to accommodate greater density over the next hundred years, and said it prevents urban sprawl and that growth can work. Councilmembers shared that they will be focusing economic development discussions on providing income opportunities to Shoreline residents in their upcoming goal setting workshop. They shared that the City has set aside property for affordable housing and is working with the King County Housing Authority to bring it to fruition, and asked about reducing the cost of affordable housing development. Rep. Kagi commented that the rising cost of land is making it more difficult to purchase land for affordable housing, and talked about the repeal of tax exemptions to build affordable housing. Senator Chase asked if there is an increase in the City's housing vacancy. Ms. Tarry replied that she will find out that information and let her know.

Mayor Roberts asked about voter legislation and if cities will be forced to form voting districts. Rep. Ryu replied that it is a high priority to help ensure that high minority populations are represented.

At 6:49 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Bonita Roznos, Deputy City Clerk

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