

CITY OF SHORELINE

SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL SUMMARY MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

The purpose of these minutes is to capture a high-level summary of Council’s discussion and action. This is not a verbatim transcript. Meeting video and audio is available on the [City’s website](#).

Monday, February 13, 2023
7:00 p.m.

Council Chambers - Shoreline City Hall
17500 Midvale Avenue North

PRESENT: Mayor Scully, Deputy Mayor Robertson, and Councilmembers Mork, McConnell, Pobe and Roberts

ABSENT: Councilmembers Ramsdell

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 7:00 p.m., the meeting was called to order by Mayor Scully who presided.

2. FLAG SALUTE/ROLL CALL

Upon roll call by the City Clerk, all Councilmembers were present except for Councilmember Ramsdell.

Deputy Mayor Robertson moved to excuse Councilmember Ramsdell for personal reasons. The motion was seconded and passed by unanimous consent.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

4. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER

John Norris, Assistant City Manager, reported on various City meetings, projects, and events.

5. COUNCIL REPORTS

Deputy Mayor Robertson reported her attendance to a meeting of the North King County Coalition on Homelessness (KCHRA). She shared that The Oaks is operating at full capacity and is looking for funding opportunities to upgrade their kitchen. KCHRA is looking for youth with lived homeless experience to take a compensated position on the new Youth Action Board.

Mayor Scully said he met with Senator Patty Murray in a small group discussion focused on the topic of affordable housing. The representatives agreed affordable housing at 30% AMI will need to be built by cities with the support of federal funding.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

The Council heard comments from the public from approximately 7:09 p.m. to 7:11 p.m. Written comments were also submitted to Council prior to the meeting and are available on the [City's website](#).

Kathleen Russell, Shoreline resident, expressed concern for the impact on the tree code if Senate Bill 5190 for Middle Housing passes. She asked that a compromise be made between the existing tree code and the proposed code.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Robertson, seconded, and unanimously carried 6-0, the following Consent Calendar items were approved:

- (a) Approval of Workshop Dinner Meeting Minutes of January 23, 2023
- (b) Approval of Expenses and Payroll as of February 3, 2023 in the Amount of \$6,061,633.85

***Payroll and Benefits:**

Payroll Period	Payment Date	EFT Numbers (EF)	Payroll Checks (PR)	Benefit Checks (AP)	Amount Paid
12/25/22 - 1/7/23	1/20/2023			87860-87861	\$568.99
1/8/23 - 1/21/23	1/27/2023	106617-106837	18058-18073		\$583,078.18
Jan 23 AWC	2/1/2023			88005	\$238,799.55
					\$822,446.72

***Wire Transfers:**

Expense Register Dated	Wire Transfer Number	Amount Paid
1/31/2023	WT1312	\$604,601.92
1/31/2023	WT1313	\$747,883.83
2/2/2023	WT1314	\$14,284.22
		\$1,366,769.97

***Accounts Payable Claims:**

Expense Register Dated	Check Number (Begin)	Check Number (End)	Amount Paid
1/18/2023	87792	87814	\$41,292.33
1/18/2023	87815	87839	\$754,401.88
1/18/2023	87840	87858	\$65,989.03
1/18/2023	87859	87859	\$5,641.66
1/25/2023	87862	87893	\$527,185.78
1/25/2023	87894	87906	\$181,812.12
1/25/2023	87907	87923	\$158,305.11
1/25/2023	87924	87930	\$30,660.83
2/1/2023	87931	87931	\$1,470.00
2/1/2023	87932	87949	\$181,741.94
2/1/2023	87950	87951	\$9,109.63
2/1/2023	87759	87759	(\$4,468.22)
2/1/2023	87952	87952	\$4,289.77
2/1/2023	87953	87981	\$708,876.35
2/1/2023	87982	87988	\$58,490.08
2/1/2023	87989	88004	\$1,114,107.05
2/1/2023	88006	88012	\$34,111.82
2/1/2023	85282	85282	(\$600.00)
			<u>\$3,872,417.16</u>

(c) Adoption of Ordinance No. 977 - Amending Shoreline Municipal Code Chapter 9.05 Noise Control to Exempt Parks and Recreation Noise During Regular Hours of Operation

(d) Authorize the City Manager to Execute an Interagency Agreement with the Washington State Transportation Improvement Board Accepting a Grant in the Amount of \$5,000,000 for the SR-523 (N/NE 145th Street) Aurora Avenue to Interstate-5 (Phase 1) Project

8. STUDY ITEMS

(a) Discussion of the 2023 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Docket

Steve Szafran, Senior Planner, explained the Growth Management Act limits review of Comprehensive Plan amendments to no more than once per year and stated the RCW mandates a list be created of potential amendments for the year. The 2023 Docket compiles a list of amendments collected in 2022. The proposed amendments have not been evaluated but, if approved by Council, will be studied through the Planning Commission and brought to Council for action.

Mr. Szafran discussed the following proposed amendments:

1. Amend the Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Arts Element and Plan which includes updated goals and policies.
2. Add a new policy “Birds and wildlife are sustained by a diversity of native trees and vegetation.”
3. Add a new policy “City Planners and Developers should consider the short- and long-term effects of impervious and hardscape surfaces.”
4. Add a new policy “Projected sea level rise should be considered in determining the shoreline buffer areas or setbacks.”
5. Amend and add a new policy for zones which allow 70-foot buildings, provide in development regulations meaningful horizontal setbacks with height restrictions.
6. Add a new policy “Citizen participation is critical at the initial design phase of capital and major development projects.”
7. Implement and promote best management practices under current conditions.

Mr. Szafran said Planning Commission reviewed the proposed amendments and recommended including Amendment #1 on the final docket. The Planning Commission also recommended incorporating Amendments #2 through #7 in the study for the 2024 Major Update to the Comprehensive Plan. The updates and proposed amendments together would help to develop a more complete Comprehensive Plan draft and allow all elements to be considered at once.

Deputy Mayor Robertson expressed support for adding Amendment #1 to the Docket and stated that Amendments #2 through #7 do not transfer as policy statements with an exception for #5 because it has specific details. Councilmember Roberts and Mayor Scully agreed Amendments #2 through #7 would be better studied within the Comprehensive Plan Major Update. It was asked how staff handle the amendments that read better as development regulations than policy statements. Mr. Szafran said the recommendation is to include the amendments in the public participation plan for the Major Update. Staff will look at existing goals and policies to see if the amendments are already reflected in the Plan, or if the policies could be reworked. If a fit is found, staff will work with the amendment makers to translate the language into a policy statement.

Councilmember Roberts requested the language regarding base density in LU1, LU2, and LU3 be clarified and refined to avoid contradiction and misinterpretation. He expressed his opinion that adding Amendment #6 to the public participation plan is not necessary as the City is already doing work to improve this area. Margaret King, City Attorney, stated the interpretation is that density is set at the level that is considered the base.

Councilmember McConnell stated it seemed like Amendment #5 was discussed when the MUR-70 code was recently amended and she asked why it was back for discussion. She also said she believes Amendment #4 belongs in the Shoreline Master Program. Mr. Szafran responded Amendment #5 is distinct due to the proposed setback requirements, and explained if Amendment #4 were to be studied the outcome could result in an amendment in the Shoreline Master Program. Councilmember McConnell advised that staff only include amendments in the Docket the City may seriously pursue.

It was asked if there is anything the City needs to do to get ahead of what might come down from the legislature. Ms. King said staff are working on the language and any further changes made necessary by legislature would depend on how laws are passed.

A Councilmember asked what the deadline is to offer amendments for the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Szafran explained the public participation plan will lay out the phases of public outreach and opportunities for public comment. He stated public participation will remain open until adoption of the Plan. Ms. King added that the participation plan will come to Council for input and approval on February 27.

Mayor Scully asked if there were any objections to the Docket returning on the Consent Calendar, and after hearing none, he stated it would come back on Consent.

9. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:45 p.m., Mayor Scully declared the meeting adjourned.

Jessica Simulcik Smith, City Clerk