



MINUTES
DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION
City Council Chambers
21630 11th Avenue S, Suite C
Des Moines, Washington
Thursday, February 5, 2026 - 5:00 PM

CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

5:00 p.m. - 5:50 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Yoshiko Grace Matsui called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

Council Present:

Mayor Yoshiko Grace Matsui, Councilmember Pierre Blossé, Councilmember Robyn Desimone, Councilmember JC Harris, Councilmember Jeremy Nutting, Councilmember Harry Steinmetz

Council via Zoom:

Deputy Mayor Gene Achziger

Staff Present:

City Manager Katherine Caffrey; Assistant City Manager Adrienne Johnson-Newton; City Attorney Tim George; Police Chief Ted Boe; Director of Administrative Services Bonnie Wilkins; Finance Director Jeff Friend; Assistant City Attorney Matthew Hutchins; City Prosecutor Tara Vaughn; Public Works Director Mike Slevin; Community Enrichment Services Program Supervisor II Cortney Wilt; IT Manager Chris Pauk; and City Clerk Taria Keane

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ITEMS

- Item 1. **Discussion on City Sponsored Events**
Staff Presentation By:
Assistant City Manager Adrienne Johnson-Newton

Assistant City Manager Adrienne Johnson-Newton gave a PowerPoint presentation on the discussion of City-sponsored events.

Council provided recommendations to staff.

- Item 2. **Parks Projects & King County Parks Levy Update**
Staff Presentation by:
Public Works Director Mike Slevin

Public Works Director Mike Slevin gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Parks Projects and King County Parks Levy Update.

CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION

6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Yoshiko Grace Matsui called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The flag salute was led by Councilmember JC Harris.

ROLL CALL

Council Present:

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Staff Present:

City Manager Katherine Caffrey; Assistant City Manager Adrienne Johnson-Newton; City Attorney Tim George; Police Chief Ted Boe; Director of Administrative Services Bonnie Wilkins; Harbormaster Scott Wilkins; Finance Director Jeff Friend; Assistant City Attorney Matthew Hutchins; City Prosecutor Tara Vaughn; Public Works Director Mike Slevin; Community Enrichment Services Program Supervisor II Cortney Wilt; IT Manager Chris Pauk; and City Clerk Taria Keane

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Comments from the public must be limited to the items of business on the Study Session Agenda. Please sign in prior to the meeting and limit your comments to three (3) minutes.

There were no public comments.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Item 1. **Parks Projects & King County Parks Levy Update**
Staff Presentation by:
Public Works Director Mike Slevin

Public Works Director Mike Slevin continued the PowerPoint Presentation on the Parks Projects and King County Parks Levy Update.

- Item 2. **Seahawks Blue Friday Proclamation**
Staff Presentation by:
City Attorney Tim George

Motion: "I move to pass the proclamation declaring Friday, February 6, 2026, as "Blue Friday" in the City of Des Moines in recognition of the Seattle Seahawks advancing to the Superbowl."

Direction/Action

Motion made by Councilmember Jeremy Nutting to pass the proclamation declaring Friday, February 6, 2026, as "Blue Friday" in the City of Des Moines in recognition of the Seattle Seahawks advancing to the Superbowl, seconded by Councilmember Harry Steinmetz.

Motion passed 7-0.

Mayor Yoshiko Grace Matsui read the Seahawks Blue Friday Proclamation into the record.

- Item 3. **Long-Range Budget Forecast Analysis Presentation**
Staff Presentation by:
City Manager Katherine Caffrey

LEED Principal Todd Chase, Senior Analyst Luke Nelson, and City Manager Katherine Caffrey gave Council a PowerPoint Presentation on the Long-Range Budget Forecast.

- Item 4. **Revenue Enhancement Options Update**
Staff Presentation by:
Finance Director Jeff Friend

Finance Director Jeff Friend gave Council a PowerPoint Presentation Update on the Revenue Enhancement Options.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

NEXT MEETING DATE

February 12, 2026 Regular Council Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Direction/Action

Motion made by Councilmember Jeremy Nutting to adjourn; seconded by Councilmember Harry Steinmetz.

Motion passed 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.