

MINUTES

DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION
City Council Chambers
21630 11th Avenue S, Des Moines, Washington
Thursday, February 1, 2024 - 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Traci Buxton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The flag salute was lead by Councilmember Yoshiko Grace Matsui.

ROLL CALL

Council Present:

Mayor Traci Buxton; Deputy Mayor Harry Steinmetz; Councilmember Gene Achziger; Councilmember Yoshiko Grace Matsui; Councilmember JC Harris; Councilmember Matt Mahoney; and Councilmember Jeremy Nutting

Staff Present:

Interim City Manager Tim George; Interim City Attorney Matt Hutchins; Assistant City Manager Adrienne Johnson-Newton; Assistant Police Chief Patti Richards; Community Development Director Denise Lathrop; Building Official Dan Hopp; Planning & Development Services Manager Laura Techico; Senior Planner Jason Woycke; Land Use Planner II Peyton Murphy; City Clerk Taria Keane; and Deputy City Clerk Sara Lee

CORRESPONDENCE

- There was no additional correspondence outside of the emails already received by Council.

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.

- Martha Hamilton, Middle Housing
- Bill Linscott, Sound Proof Ordinance Priority
- Paulette Aggen, Multi-Family Rezoning
- Barbara McMichael, Community Development "Laundry List"

DISCUSSION ITEMS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT 2024 WORK PROGRAM

- Staff Presentation by Community Development Director Denise Lathrop, Building Official Dan Hopp, Planning and Development Services Manager Laura Techico, and Senior Planner Jason Woycke.
- Council and City Staff from Community Development Department discussed the Community Development 2024 Work Program.
- Councilmember Jeremy Nutting Supports discussing Downtown Development on Economic Development Workplan

HEARTS AND MINDS FUND POLICY DISCUSSION

Council discussed the Hearts and Minds Fund

Direction/Action

Motion made by Councilmember Yoshiko Grace Matsui to direct staff to prepare a draft Hearts and Minds Fund Policy consistent with the Council's general consensus, for consideration and approval at a future meeting; seconded by Councilmember Gene Achziger.

Amended Motion made by Councilmember Jeremy Nutting to amend the original motion to disband the fund of Hearts and Minds and the remainder of the funds to be brought to council to be distributed to local organizations within the community; seconded by Matt Mahoney.

Amended Motion 2 made by Councilmember JC Harris to amend the amended motion and retain the fund and limit each contribution to one hundred dollars and Council to distribute the remaining balance of the funds at the end of each calendar year to mutually agreed upon charities.

Motion died for a lack of second.

Amended Motion passed 4-3.

For: Mayor Traci Buxton, Councilmember Gene Achziger;
Councilmember Matt Mahoney, and Councilmember Jeremy Nutting.

Against: Deputy Mayor Harry Steinmetz, Councilmember Yoshiko Grace Matsui, Councilmember JC Harris.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Study Session Minutes
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~~POTENTIAL LITIGATION UNDER RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) — 30 Minutes~~

NEXT MEETING DATE

February 08, 2024 City Council Regular Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Direction/Action

Motion made by Councilmember Yoshiko Grace Matsui to adjourn;
seconded by Deputy Mayor Harry Steinmetz.
Motion passed 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.