

MINUTES

DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION
City Council Chambers
21630 11th Avenue S, Des Moines, Washington
Thursday, August 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 led by Mayor Traci Buxton.

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; Director of Community/Administrative Services Bonnie Wilkins; Harbormaster Scott Wilkins; Finance Director Jeff Friend; Acting Police Chief Mark Couey; Assistant Police Chief Kevin Penney; Police Officer Nate Chevallier; Director of Court Administration Melissa Patrick; Communication Director Nicole Nordholm; and City Clerk Taria Keane

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.

- Jenny Russo, Greenspace and wetlands

DISCUSSION ITEMS

EMERGING ISSUES

- 1.) Port of Seattle Part 150 Update
 - Noise Program Manager Tom Fagerstrom gave Council a PowerPoint Presentation update on the SEA Part 150 Noise and Land Use Compatibility Study.
- 2.) City Manager Recruitment Update
 - Assistant City Manager Adrienne Johnson-Newton gave Council an update on the City Manager Recruitment.
- 3.) Police Department Community Update
 - Acting Police Chief Mark Couey gave Council a PowerPoint Presentation on the Semi-Annual Police Department Update.

PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION OF 2025 CITY LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

- Legislative Advocate Anthony Hemstad gave Council a PowerPoint Presentation on the 2025 Legislative Priorities.

NOVEMBER 05, 2024 PUBLIC SAFETY LEVY LID LIFT: PRO AND CON COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Direction/Action

Motion made by Councilmember Jeremy Nutting to confirm the Mayoral appointments of Bettina Carey to the Pro Committee, and the appointment of Susan White to the Con Committee, for the November 5, 2024 Public Safety Levy Lid Lift Ballot Proposition; seconded by Deputy Mayor Harry Steinmetz.

Motion passed 7-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

LABOR NEGOTIATIONS UNDER RCW 42.30.140(4)(a) - 15 Minutes

The Executive Session was called to order by Mayor Traci Buxton at 7:53 p.m.

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.

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Staff Present:

Interim City Manager Tim George; Assistant City Manager Adrienne Johnson-Newton; Interim City Attorney Matthew Hutchins; and Finance Director Jeff Friend.

Purpose:

The purpose of the Executive Session was to discuss Labor Negotiations under RCW 42.30.140(4)(a). The Executive Session was expected to last 15 minutes.

No formal action was taken.

The Executive Session ended at 8:08 p.m.

The Executive Session lasted 15 minutes.

NEXT MEETING DATE

August 08, 2024 City Council Regular Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Direction/Action

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Harry Steinmetz to adjourn; seconded by Councilmember Jeremy Nutting.
Motion passed 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.