

MINUTES

**DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
City Council Chambers
21630 11th Avenue S, Des Moines, Washington
Thursday, April 25, 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 Gene Achziger.

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; Assistant City Manager Adrienne Johnson-Newton; Director of Community/Administrative Services Bonnie Wilkins; Harbormaster Scott Wilkins; City Clerk Taria Keane; Police Chief Tim Gately; Finance Director Jeff Friend; Acting Public Works Director Tommy Owen; Civil Engineer II Tyler Beekley; Civil Engineer I Khai Le; Civil Engineer I Cong Nguyen; Executive Administrative Analyst Rochelle Caton; and Officer Johnny Tyler

CORRESPONDENCE NOT PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED BY COUNCIL

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

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

- Debbie Minniti, Des Moines Yacht Club South Sound Opening Day
- Victoria Andrews, Communication
- Susan White, Communication
- Kay Vann, Community Safety

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT

- Municipal Facilities Committee: Chair Jeremy Nutting
 - Councilmember Jeremy Nutting gave Council an update on the Municipal Facilities Committee Meeting.
- Economic Development Committee: Chair Jeremy Nutting
 - Councilmember Jeremy Nutting gave Council an update on the Economic Development Committee Meeting.

CITY MANAGER REPORT/PRESENTATIONS/BRIEFINGS

- Interim City Manager Tim George gave Council an update on the Redondo Speed Camera's.
- Acting City Engineer Khai Le gave Council a PowerPoint Presentation on Consent Agenda Item #7, Bid Rejection - Redondo Fishing Pier and Restroom Project.

CONSENT AGENDA

Item 1: APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Motion is to approve the payment vouchers through April 11, 2024 in the attached list and further described as follows:

EFT Vendor Payments	#9928-9960	\$207,946.97
Wires	#2537-2558	\$634,753.83
Accounts Payable Checks	#165770-165801	\$ 52,063.27

Total Checks and Wires for A/P: \$894,764.07

Item 2: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion is to approve the February 22, 2024 and March 14, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting and the March 07, 2024 Study Session Minutes.

Item 3: MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION

Motion is to approve the Proclamation recognizing May as Mental Health Awareness Month.

Item 4: 2024 DES MOINES FARMERS MARKET AGREEMENT

Motion is to approve the Agreement with the Des Moines Farmers Market for the 2024 Des Moines Waterfront Farmers Market to be held at the Des Moines Marina, and authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement substantially in the form as attached.

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- Item 5: DES MOINES MEMORIAL DRIVE PIPE PROJECT - INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH HIGHLINE WATER DISTRICT
Motion is to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Highline Water District for the Des Moines Memorial Drive Pipe Project, and further authorize the City Manager to sign said Interlocal Agreement substantially in the form as submitted.
- Item 6: MIDWAY DESIGN - CONSULTANT CONTRACT
Motion is to approve the Consultant Services Contract with KPG Psomas Inc. for the Midway Park Open Space Project in the amount of \$450,202.60, and authorize the City Manager to sign the consultant contract substantially in the form as submitted.
- Item 7: BID REJECTION - REDONDO FISHING PIER AND RESTROOM PROJECT
Motion is to reject the bid received for the Redondo Fishing Pier and Restroom Replacement Project.
- Item 8: SOUTH SOUND OPENING BOATING DAY PROCLAMATION
Motion is to approve the Proclamation recognizing the official opening of the South Sound Boating Season on May 11, 2024.

Direction/Action

Motion made by Councilmember Jeremy Nutting to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Councilmember Matt Mahoney. Motion passed 7-0.

Mayor Traci Buxton read the Mental Health Awareness Month Proclamation into the record.

Mayor Traci Buxton read the South Sound Opening Boating Day Proclamation into the record.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CITY MANAGER RECRUITMENT

- Assistant City Manager Adrienne Newton-Johnson gave Council a PowerPoint Presentation on the City Manager Recruitment.

PROPERTY TAX LEVY LID LIFT

- Finance Director Jeff Friend gave Council a PowerPoint Presentation on the Property Tax Levy Lid Lift.

Direction/Action

Motion made by Councilmember Jeremy Nutting to adopt Draft Ordinance No. 24-020 to place a ballot measure for a property tax levy

lid lift on the ballot for the August Primary Election; seconded by Deputy Mayor Harry Steinmetz.
Motion passed 4-3.

For: Mayor Traci Buxton; Deputy Mayor Harry Steinmetz;
Councilmember Matt Mahoney, and Councilmember Jeremy Nutting.

Against: Councilmember Gene Achziger, Councilmember Yoshiko Grace Matsui, and Councilmember JC Harris.

Direction/Action

Motion made by Councilmember Jeremy Nutting to adopt Draft Ordinance No. 24-028 to place a ballot measure for a property tax levy lid lift on the ballot for the November General Election; seconded by Deputy Mayor Harry Steinmetz.
Motion passed 4-3.

For: Mayor Traci Buxton; Deputy Mayor Harry Steinmetz;
Councilmember Matt Mahoney, and Councilmember Jeremy Nutting.

Against: Councilmember Gene Achziger, Councilmember Yoshiko Grace Matsui, and Councilmember JC Harris.

NEW BUSINESS

- Item 1: PUBLIC SAFETY LEVY LID LIFT PRO AND CON COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS
- Finance Director Jeff Friend gave Council a PowerPoint Presentation on the Public Safety Levy Lid Lift Pro and Con Committee Appointments.

Direction/Action

Motion made by Councilmember Jeremy Nutting to confirm the Mayoral appointments of Martha Hamilton and Bettina Carey to the Pro Committee, and the appointment of Susan White to the Con Committee, for the August 2024 Public Safety Levy Lid Lift Ballot Proposition; seconded by Deputy Mayor Harry Steinmetz.
Motion passed 7-0.

- Item 2: NEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION – 10 Minutes
- There were no new items for future consideration.

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

(4 minutes per Councilmember) - 30 minutes

COUNCILMEMBER GENE ACHGIZER

- No Report

COUNCILMEMBER JC HARRIS

- Arbor Day
- Highline School Directors

COUNCILMEMBER MATT MAHONEY

- Redondo Speed Cameras

COUNCILMEMBER YOSHIKO GRACE MATSUI

- Seattle Southside Chamber of Commerce's 2024 Pacific Northwest Education Workforce Summit
- Rummage and Plant Sale at the North Hill Community Center

Direction/Action

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Harry Steinmetz to extend the meeting until 9:10 p.m.; seconded by Councilmember Yoshiko Grace Matsui. Motion passed 7-0.

COUNCILMEMBER JEREMY NUTTING

- Mental Health Awareness

DEPUTY MAYOR HARRY STEINMETZ

- Mental Health Awareness
- Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting
- Alina's Cafe Ribbon Cutting
- Candace's Vietnamese Kitchen Grand Opening
- City Manager Recruiting Firm Listening Session
- Redondo Community Meeting
- Destination Des Moines Art and Wine Walk
- Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee Meeting
- Met with Representatives from the King County Executives Office
- Met with South King Fire and Rescue Chief Van Valkenburg
- Met with Rotary
- NIMS Training
- Communications
- Community Meetings

PRESIDING OFFICER'S REPORT

- Keeping Des Moines Safe
- Park Run
- Working Together

NEXT MEETING DATE

May 2, 2024 City Council Study Session

ADJOURNMENT

Direction/Action

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.