



**MINUTES
DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING**

**City Council Chambers
21630 11th Avenue S, Suite C
Des Moines, Washington
Thursday, June 11, 2026 - 6:00 PM**

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 Harry Steinmetz.

ROLL CALL

Council Present:

Mayor Yoshiko Grace Matsui, Deputy Mayor Gene Achziger, Councilmember Pierre Blosse, Councilmember Robyn Desimone, Councilmember JC Harris, Councilmember Jeremy Nutting, and Councilmember Harry Steinmetz.

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; Community Development Director Rebecca Deming; Public Works Director Mike Slevin; IT Manager Chris Pauk; and City Clerk Taria Keane.

CORRESPONDENCE NOT PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED BY COUNCIL

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

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

- Steve Shamblin, Des Moines Pride
- Christie, Flock

- Judy Grande, Flock
- Steve Edmiston, Port of Seattle SAMP (Sustainable Airport Master Plan)

REGIONAL COMMITTEE REPORT

- There were no Regional Committee Reports.

PROCLAMATION (Pulled from the Consent Agenda)

- Item 4: **LGBTQIA+ Pride Month Proclamation**
Motion: “I move to approve the proclamation recognizing June as LGBTQIA+ Pride Month.”

Direction/Action

Motion made by Councilmember Jeremy Nutting to approve the proclamation recognizing June as LGBTQIA+ Pride Month, seconded by Councilmember Harry Steinmetz.

Motion Passed 7-0.

Mayor Yoshiko Grace Matsui read the LGBTQIA+ Pride Month Proclamation into the record.

CITY MANAGER REPORT/PRESENTATIONS/BRIEFINGS

- Item 1. **2027 South King Housing and Homelessness Partners (SKHHP) Work Plan and Budget Presentation** - 15 Minutes
Presentation by: SKHHP Program Manager Dorsol Plants

- SKHHP Program Manager Dorsol Plants gave Council a PowerPoint presentation regarding the 2027 South King Housing and Homelessness Partners Work Plan and Budget.

- Item 2. **Port of Seattle Presentation** - 40 Minutes
Presentation by: Port of Seattle Local Government Relations Manager Dave Kaplan

- Port of Seattle Local Government Relations Manager Dave Kaplan gave Council a PowerPoint presentation regarding Port of Seattle activities and initiatives.

- Item 3. **2026 4th of July Event Update** - 10 Minutes
Staff Presentation by: Assistant City Manager Adrienne Johnson-Newton

- Assistant City Manager Adrienne Johnson-Newton gave Council a PowerPoint presentation on the 2026 4th of July Event.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Item 1. **Approval of Vouchers**
Motion: "I move to approve the payment vouchers through May 28, 2026 and payroll transfers through May 20, 2026 in the attached list and further described as follows:"
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|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| EFT Vendor Payments | #13640 - #13719 | \$ 1,742,501.15 |
| Wires | #3339 - #3345 | \$ 428,098.47 |
| Accounts Payable Checks | #167503 - #167540 | \$ 457,230.15 |
| Payroll Checks - 5/20/2026 | #20070 - #20071 | \$ 6,404.89 |
| Payroll Advice - 5/20/2026 | #17591 - #17746 | \$ 503,485.41 |
- Total Checks and Wires for A/P & Payroll: \$ 3,137,720.07
- Item 2. **Approval of Minutes**
Motion: "I move to approve the minutes from the May 7, 2026 Committee of the Whole and Study Session meetings, as well as the May 14, 2026 and May 21, 2026 City Council Regular Meetings."
- Item 3. **Juneteenth Proclamation**
Motion: "I move to approve the proclamation recognizing June 19th, 2026, as a day to celebrate Juneteenth."
- Item 5. **2027 South King County Housing and Homelessness Partners (SKHHP) Work Plan and Budget**
Motion: "I move to pass Draft Resolution No. 26-040, approving the 2027 South King Housing and Homelessness Partners Budget and the 2027 Work Plan."
- Item 6. **Residential Conversions Ordinance - 2nd Reading**
Motion: "I move to adopt Draft Ordinance No. 26-035 adopting the Residential Conversions Ordinance."
- Item 7. **2026 Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Spending Recommendations**
Motion: "I move to approve the recommendations as submitted by the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee for the expenditure of Lodging Tax funds."

- Item 8. **North Hill Elementary Walkway Improvements Project
Condemnation - 2nd Reading**
Motion: "I move to pass Draft Ordinance No. 26-045 directing the City Attorney to prosecute an eminent domain action in King County Superior Court in a manner provided by law to condemn, take, damage and appropriate real property."

Direction/Action

Motion made by Councilmember Jeremy Nutting to approve the Consent Agenda as read, seconded by Councilmember Harry Steinmetz.

Councilmember JC Harris pulled Consent Agenda Item #5.

The remainder of the Consent Agenda passed 7-0.

Motion made by Councilmember Jeremy Nutting to pass Draft Resolution No. 26-040, approving the 2027 South King Housing and Homelessness Partners Budget and the 2027 Work Plan, seconded by Councilmember Harry Steinmetz.

Motion Passed 6-1.

For: Deputy Mayor Gene Achziger, Councilmember Pierre Blosse, Councilmember Robyn Desimone, Mayor Yoshiko Grace Matsui, Councilmember Jeremy Nutting, and Councilmember Harry Steinmetz

Against: Councilmember JC Harris

Mayor Yoshiko Grace Matsui read the Juneteenth Proclamation into the record.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Item 1. **Review and Confirmation of the Strategic Priorities for Adoption**
Staff Presentation by: City Manager Katherine Caffrey

- City Manager Katherine Caffrey gave Council a PowerPoint presentation on the Review and Confirmation of the Strategic Priorities for Adoption.

Direction/Action

Motion made by Councilmember Jeremy Nutting to direct staff to incorporate any final feedback provided this evening and place the Strategic Plan, Charting Our Course, on the June 25, 2026 Consent Agenda for Council consideration and adoption, seconded by Councilmember Harry Steinmetz.

Motion Passed 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS

- Item 1. **New Agenda Items for Consideration - 10 Minutes**

- There were no new agenda items for consideration.

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

(4 minutes per Councilmember) - 30 minutes

COUNCILMEMBER HARRY STEINMETZ

- No Report

COUNCILMEMBER JC HARRIS

- Thanked Dave Kaplan
- Tour of North Burien

COUNCILMEMBER ROBYN DESIMONE

- No Report

COUNCILMEMBER JEREMY NUTTING

- Men's Mental Health Awareness Month

COUNCILMEMBER PIERRE BLOSSE

- World Cup Event at Des Moines Theater

DEPUTY MAYOR GENE ACHZIGER

- Strategic Plan
- Ribbon Cutting and Dedication of the New Redondo Pier

PRESIDING OFFICER'S REPORT

- State of the County
- Farmers Market Opening Day
- Ribbon Cutting at the Des Moines Marina L-M-N Dock
- Seattle Times opinion piece regarding airport operation and a potential joint response from the Mayors of Des Moines, SeaTac, and Burien

NEXT MEETING DATE

June 25, 2026 City Council Regular Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Direction/Action

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

Motion Passed 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.