

## **CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

A Regular Meeting of the Redmond City Council was called to order by Mayor Angela Birney at 7 p.m. The meeting was held in-person and remote. Councilmembers present and establishing a quorum were: Anderson, Carson, Fields, Forsythe, Kritzer and Stuart.

MOTION: Councilmember Forsythe moved to excuse Councilmember Khan from attendance at the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Fields.

VOTE: The motion to excuse Councilmember Khan from attendance at the meeting passed, (5-1), with Councilmembers Anderson, Fields, Forsythe, Kritzer, and Stuart in support and Councilmember Carson in opposition.

## **ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

Mayor Birney opened Items from the Audience at this time.

The following persons spoke:

- Davin Alsin - firefighters effected by the vaccine mandate and providing accommodations;
- Josh Frei - following safety rules to limit the spread of COVID, negotiated with the City in good faith, Council revoking the Mayor's executive order;
- Artem Teterrin - vaccine accommodations for religious objection, termination; and
- David Morton - reducing the carbon footprint through reusing items instead of buying new, using less disposable items, digital clutter, reducing electricity usage, having fewer children, and eliminate dependance on fossil fuels.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

MOTION: Councilmember Kritzer moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Anderson.

1. Approval of the Minutes: March 1, 2022, Business Meeting, and March 8, 2022, Special Meeting
2. Approval of Payroll/Direct Deposit and Claims Checks

PAYROLL/DIRECT DEPOSITS AND WIRE TRANSFERS:

#187091 through #187091  
#127050 through #127055  
#1419 through #1419

\$9,039.02

#187093 through #187109  
#127056 through #127776  
#1420 through #1424

\$3,706,475.74

CLAIMS CHECKS:

#438167 through #438420

\$4,511,403.97

3. AM No. 22-031: Approval of Final Construction Contract in the Amount of \$4,070,470, with T Bailey, Inc. of Anacortes, Washington, and Acceptance of Construction for the SE Redmond Tank Painting and Seismic Upgrade Project No. 20021801
4. AM No. 22-032: Ratification of 2021 King County Countywide Planning Policies
  - a. Resolution No. 1554: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Redmond, Washington, Ratifying 2021 Amendments to the King County Countywide Planning Policies
5. AM No. 22-033: Acceptance of the 2021-23 Stormwater Capacity Grant
6. AM No. 22-034: Approval of the NE 60th Street Full Closure
7. AM No. 22-035: Approval of the Redmond Way/ELSP/180th Ave NE Intersection Improvements Award of Bid and Supplemental Consultant Agreement to Westwater Construction Company of Renton, WA in the Amount of \$1,286,260

8. AM No. 22-036: Approval of the 2023-2024 Budget Calendar
9. AM No. 22-037: Adoption of a Resolution Approving the Allocation of \$572,700 to A Regional Coalition for Housing (ARCH) for the Development of Affordable Housing
  - a. Resolution No. 1555: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Redmond, Washington, Authorizing the Duly Appointed Administering Agency for A Regional Coalition For Housing (ARCH) to Execute All Documents Necessary to Enter Into Agreements for the Funding of Affordable Housing Projects, as Recommended by the ARCH Executive Board, Utilizing Funds from the City's Housing Trust Fund
10. AM No. 22-038<sup>1</sup>: Confirmation of Appointment of Board and Commission Members

VOTE: The motion to approve the Consent Agenda passed without objection. (6 - 0)

#### **ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

5. AM No. 22-038: Confirmation of Appointment of Board and Commission Members

MOTION: Councilmember Kritzer moved to approve AM No. 22-038. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Carson.

Mayor Birney responded to Councilmember inquiries.

VOTE: The motion to approve AM No. 22-038 passed, (5-1), with Councilmembers Anderson, Carson, Forsythe, Kritzer, and Stuart in support and Councilmember Fields in opposition.

#### **HEARINGS AND REPORTS**

##### STAFF REPORT

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<sup>1</sup> This item was removed from the Consent Agenda and addressed separately.

- A. AM No. 22-039: Update on the Plan for and Status of the NE 40th Street Corridor Improvements from 156th Avenue NE to West Lake Sammamish Parkway

Jason Lynch, Assistant Director of Development Services, introduced this item and Peter Dane, Senior Planner, provided a presentation to the Council and responded to Councilmember inquiries.

#### OMBUDSPERSON REPORT

Councilmember Forsythe reported receiving resident contacts regarding: volunteering; pride events; and accessing Council.

Councilmember Carson reported receiving resident contacts regarding: cancellation of the recycling events and getting involved in Redmond.

Councilmember Fields reported receiving a resident contact regarding: a letter from a firefighter's wife.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Anderson provided the following committee report:

- Committee of the Whole - Public Safety and Human Services.

Councilmember Kritzer provided the following committee reports:

- Sound Cities Association - Public Issues Committee; and
- Eastside Transportation Partnership.

Councilmember Forsythe provided the following committee report:

- Growth Management Policy Board.

Councilmember Stuart provided the following committee reports:

- Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works;
- Eastside Transportation Partnership

MOTION: Councilmember Carson moved to schedule a Special Meeting on Tuesday March 22nd at 6 p.m. to discuss the current policy of the City of Redmond for unvaccinated individuals in the city's employ with regard to delivery of health care services (specifically Firefighter/EMT roles). This shall be constituted by a Special Meeting to discuss the current policy (Mayor's Executive Order on Mandatory Vaccination of City Firefighters and Paramedics) including an Executive Session to

discuss potential litigation related to the current policy and returning to the Special Meeting with a goal toward Council determining the permanent policy regarding unvaccinated employees of the city in a health care role. The Special Meeting currently scheduled for 6:30 p.m. (a board or commission interview) would be rescheduled by the Mayor and Council Leadership to another day/time. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Fields.

Following Councilmember discussion,

MOTION: Councilmember Anderson moved to amend to remove the wording "and returning to the Special Meeting with a goal toward Council determining the permanent policy regarding unvaccinated employees of the city in a health care role." The motion was seconded by Councilmember Forsythe.

VOTE: The motion to amend passed, (4-2), with Councilmembers Anderson, Forsythe, Kritzer and Stuart in support and Councilmembers Carson and Fields in opposition.

MOTION: Councilmember Carson moved to amend to change the start time to 5:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Fields.

VOTE: The motion to amend passed, (5-1), with Councilmembers Anderson, Carson, Fields, Forsythe and Stuart in support and Councilmember Kritzer in opposition.

MOTION: Councilmember Anderson moved to amend to strike the wording "The Special Meeting currently scheduled for 6:30 p.m. (a board or commission interview) would be rescheduled by the Mayor and Council Leadership to another day/time." The motion was seconded by Councilmember Forsythe

VOTE: The motion to amend passed, (4-2), with Councilmembers Anderson, Forsythe, Kritzer and Stuart in support and Councilmembers Carson and Fields in opposition.

VOTE: The main motion as amended passed (6-0).

March 15, 2022

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council the regular meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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ANGELA BIRNEY, MAYOR

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CITY CLERK

*Minutes Approved: April 5, 2022*

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