

**CALL TO ORDER**

A Special Meeting of the Redmond City Council was held on January 13, 2026, at 6 p.m. The meeting was held in the Council Chambers.

**ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM**

Present: Councilmembers Forsythe, Kritzer, Nuevacamina, Prakriya, Soni and Stuart.

Absent: None

**COUNCIL VACANCY INTERVIEWS**

Mayor Birney overviewed the process. Council President Stuart spoke regarding being involved with the city and the review of the applications. The Council proceeded with interviews for the open Council Position No. 1 seat.

Candidates interviewed:

- Kochukoshy (CK) Cheruvettolil
- Afnan Dallashah
- Zahra Eslami
- Joanna Ziemian Kim
- Martha Jane (MJ) Krieps
- Dayle (Hank) Margeson
- Laura Mousseau
- Sayna Parsi
- Adam Powell
- Cari Pangelinan Scotkin
- Antoinette Smith

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

To Evaluate the Qualifications of Applicants for Public Employment (RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)) - 30 minutes

Mayor Birney announced the Council will now leave the meeting and go into Executive Session to Evaluate the Qualifications of Applicants for Public Employment (RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)) for 30 minutes. Per state law, public attendance is not allowed during the Executive Session.

*Executive Session convened at 9:15 p.m. The executive session time was increased by 10 minutes and ended at 9:58 p.m.*

**DELIBERATION AND DECISION ON TOP CANDIDATES**

Following the Executive Session, the Council returned to open session for nominations for the top candidates to advance to the second round of interviews.

MOTION: Councilmember Stuart moved to nominate Kochukoshy (CK) Cheruvettolil, Sayna Parsi and Antoinette Smith to advance to the second round of interviews. This nomination was seconded by Councilmember Forsythe.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection (6-0).

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:06 p.m.

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ANGELA BIRNEY, MAYOR

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