

## **CALL TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the Redmond City Council was called to order by Mayor Angela Birney at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Redmond City Hall Council Chambers.

## **ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM**

Present: Councilmembers Anderson, Carson, Fields, Forsythe, Khan, Kritzer and Stuart

Absent: None

## **ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

Mayor Birney opened Items from the Audience at this time. The following persons spoke:

- Hari Sandanagobalane, Meghan Kap, William Kap, Gina DeBlanes, Andy Raffman, Rahul Kashikar, Elisabeth Sorensen, Sribala Magesh, Abha Kumar, Amber Dattoli, Noam Topaz, Shai Guday, Arthur Weiner, Steve Harris, Tanveer Faliner, Chopin - in opposition to the opening of the fire gate on 172<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NE.
- Linda Seltzer - in opposition to AM No. 23-086 on the agenda tonight;
- David Morton - sustainable and innovative approaches to economic development while addressing climate change;
- Michele Drovdaahl and Mary Comstock - library use and programs, summer reading, talk time, partnership with the City, story time, study zone, and geocache; and
- Bob Yoder - EvergreenHealth presentation at the last Council meeting and understanding the needs of the voters.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

VOTE: The motion to approve the Consent Agenda passed without objection. (7 - 0)

1. Approval of the Minutes: June 6, 2023, Regular Meeting
2. Approval of Payroll/Direct Deposit and Claims Checks

PAYROLL/DIRECT DEPOSITS AND WIRE TRANSFERS:

#187790 through #187804  
#149289 through #150061  
#1585 through #1589

\$4,127,601.32

CLAIMS CHECKS:

#445824 through #446125

\$7,746,454.66

3. AM No. 23-071<sup>1</sup>: Approval of On Call Agreements with Intertek PSI, Krazan and MTC for Material Testing and Special Inspection Services, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$300,000 per Firm
4. AM No. 23-072: Approval of the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) Federal Grant, in the Amount of \$865,000, for the Adaptive Signals Downtown Project and to Add the Project to the 2023-2024 CIP
5. AM No. 23-073<sup>2</sup>: Approval of a Supplemental Agreement to Existing On Call Agreements with OTAK for Engineering and Inspection Services for Wastewater Lift Stations and Other CIP Projects
6. AM No. 23-074: Approval of the Final Contract with Lakeside Industries, in the Amount of \$1,728,760, and Acceptance of Construction for the 90th Street Preservation Project
7. AM No. 23-075: Approval of the 2021-23 Pollution Prevention Assistance Interagency Agreement Amendment with the Washington State Department of Ecology
8. AM No. 23-076: Approval of a Consultant Agreement with Matrix Consulting Group, in the Amount of \$170,300, for the 2023 Fleet Study
9. AM No. 23-077: Acceptance of the Sound Transit System Access Grant for 156th Ave Cycle Track Project

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<sup>1</sup> Councilmembers Fields and Forsythe spoke to this item.

<sup>2</sup> This item was removed from the Consent Agenda and addressed separately.

10. AM No. 23-078: Award of Bid to Active Construction Inc. of Tacoma, WA, in the Amount of \$3,259,259, for the 156th Cycle Track Project
11. AM No. 23-079: Approve Mayor to Sign King County Re+ Pledge
12. AM No. 23-080: Acceptance of the Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) Grant, for \$650,000, for the Bel-Red Road Buffered Bike Lanes, 30th Street to West Lake Sammamish Parkway
13. AM No. 23-081: Approval of the King County Memorandum of Understanding for the Opioid Abatement Council
14. AM No. 23-082: Approval of the NW Restaurants, Inc. 2023 Lease Amendment
15. AM No. 23-083: Approval of Telecommunications Lease with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC at Novelty Hill Water Storage Tank No. 2., Amendment 2
16. AM No. 23-084: Approval of the King County Lake Hills Sewer Upgrade Project Utility Easement

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:**

5. AM No. 23-073<sup>3</sup>: Approval of a Supplemental Agreement to Existing On Call Agreements with OTAK for Engineering and Inspection Services for Wastewater Lift Stations and Other CIP Projects

MOTION: Councilmember Carson moved to approve AM No. 23-073. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kritzer.

Recusal: Councilmember Anderson was recused from voting on this item due to a conflict of interest.

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

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<sup>3</sup>Councilmember Anderson left the Council Chambers for the discussion and vote on this item.

## HEARINGS AND REPORTS

Public Hearing: None

Staff Report:

- a. AM No. 23-085: Annual Update of 2024-2029 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Carol Helland, Director of Planning and Community Development, introduced this item. Staff provided a presentation and responded to Councilmember inquiries.

Ombudsperson Reports:

Councilmember Stuart reported receiving resident contacts regarding: gate on 172<sup>nd</sup>; Homeless Outreach Coordinator referral; blocked pathway during construction; maintenance schedule; Multi-Family Tax Exemption; public comment rules; help with Puget Sound Energy; electric vehicles; and support for alternatives to the proposed sales tax increase.

Councilmember Carson reported receiving resident contacts regarding: acronyms; gate on 172<sup>nd</sup>; and outreach to a person in distress.

Councilmember Forsythe reported receiving resident contacts regarding: heat pumps; Salary Commission; and high cost of living.

Councilmember Kritzer reported receiving resident contacts regarding: 172<sup>nd</sup> gate; LGBTQIA support; and non-English speakers.

Councilmember Fields reported receiving resident contact regarding: Chinese-American history.

Committee Reports:

Councilmember Forsythe provided committee reports:

- Eastrail walking tour; and
- Sound Cities Association Deputy Mayors and Council Presidents.

Councilmember Stuart provided a committee report:

- Eastside Transportation Partnership.

Councilmember Kritzer provided committee reports:

- Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee;
- King Conservation District Advisory Committee; and
- Artificial light at night abatement workshop.

Councilmember Anderson provided committee reports:

- Committee of the Whole - Public Safety and Human Services; and
- King County Board of Health.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. AM No. 23-086: Adoption of an Ordinance Establishing an Optional Pilot Program for the 12-Year Multifamily Housing Property Tax Exemption (MFTE) Program

1. Ordinance No. 3125: An Ordinance of the City of Redmond, Washington, Amending RMC 3.38, Multifamily Housing Property Tax Exemption, Relating to Establishment of a Pilot Program for the 12 Year Exemption, Providing for Severability, and Establishing an Effective Date

Carol Helland, Director of Planning and Community Development, introduced this item and responded to Councilmember inquiries.

MOTION: Councilmember Anderson moved to approve AM No. 23-086/Ordinance No. 3125. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Carson.

MOTION: Councilmember Carson moved to amend to change the second 10 percent from 115% to 90%. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Anderson.

VOTE: The motion to amend passed (6 - 1) with Councilmembers Anderson, Carson, Fields, Khan, Kritzer and Stuart in support and Councilmember Forsythe in opposition.

MOTION: Councilmember Kritzer moved to refer to the Planning and Public Works Committee of the Whole. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Forsythe.

VOTE: The motion to refer to committee failed (2 - 5) with Councilmembers Khan and Kritzer in support and Councilmembers Anderson, Carson, Fields, Forsythe and Stuart in opposition.

VOTE: The main motion as amended passed (4 - 3) with Councilmembers Anderson, Carson, Kritzer and Stuart in support and Councilmembers Fields, Forsythe and Khan in opposition.

B. AM No. 23-087: Adoption of an Ordinance Imposing 0.1% Sales Tax for Transportation Benefit District (TBD)

2. Ordinance No. 3126: An Ordinance of the City of Redmond, Washington, Adding a New Section 3.93.055 to the Redmond Municipal Code Imposing an Additional Sales and Use Tax of One-Tenth of One Percent Within the Boundaries of the Redmond Transportation Benefit District for the Purpose of Financing the Costs Associated with Transportation Improvements in the District as Authorized by RCW 36.73.065 and RCW 82.14.0455; Providing for Severability and Establishing an Effective Date

MOTION: Councilmember Anderson moved to approve AM No. 23-087/Ordinance No. 3126. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Forsythe.

VOTE: The motion passed (6 - 1) with Councilmembers Anderson, Carson, Fields, Forsythe, Khan and Kritzer in support and Councilmember Stuart in opposition.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- A. To Consider the Selection of a Site or the Acquisition of Real Estate by Lease or Purchase RCW 42.30.110(1)(b) - 20 minutes

Mayor Birney announced the Council will now leave the business meeting and go into Executive Session to consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase RCW 42.30.110(1)(b) for 20 minutes. Following the end of the Executive Session, the Council will reconvene in open session.

*The Executive Session began at 9:58 pm and ended at 10:12 pm.*

MOTION: Councilmember Forsythe moved to authorize the Parks Director, or her designee, to negotiate a purchase price and sale agreement for the McCall property on the terms as discussed in Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Carson.

VOTE: The motion passed without objection. (7 - 0)

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council the regular meeting adjourned at 10:13 p.m.

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ANGELA BIRNEY, MAYOR

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CITY CLERK

*Minutes Approved: July 5, 2023*