

**CITY OF LAKE STEVENS
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

October 25, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

Hybrid Meeting - By Remote Participation via Zoom & in Person at The Mill Building

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Gailey

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mayor Brett Gailey, Councilmembers Kim Daughtry, Gary Petershagen, Mary Dickinson, Anji Jorstad, Marcus Tageant, Shawn Frederick and Steve Ewing

Call to Order

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

All Councilmembers were present.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION. Councilmember Jorstad made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Frederick, to continue the Short Term Rental Public Hearing to a special meeting on November 15, 2022 for a public hearing. The motion passed 5-2-0-0 with Councilmember Petershagen and Councilmember Dickinson opposed.

MOTION. Councilmember Jorstad made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Frederick, to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed 5-2-0-0 with Councilmember Petershagen and Councilmember Dickinson opposed.

Guest Business

City's Legislative Agenda

The City's Lobbyist, Doug Levy, presented a City legislative agenda for the Council's review. This agenda will come back for approval at a future meeting.

Snohomish Health District Update

Katie Curtis, with the Snohomish Health District, presented to the Council.

Citizen Comments

Sue Fernald, Lake Stevens. Sue spoke about the budget and concerns with the sales tax increase.

Hari Kishore Guntur, Lake Stevens. Hari thanked the Mayor and Council for reading the Hindu proclamation tonight.

Pavan Nookala, Lake Stevens. Pavan also thanked the Council for the proclamation and the Diwali event.

Katie Psillos, Lake Stevens. Katie spoke regarding her concerns with short-term rentals.

Aileen Spradlin, Lake Stevens. Aileen asked the Council to create a short-term rentals task force.

John Spencer, Lake Stevens. John stated that the latest short-term ordinance is an improvement but needs more work.

Kim Shipman, Lake Stevens. Kim spoke about the increased speed of traffic on Grade Road.

Janice Huxford, Lake Stevens. Janice asked the Council to remand the short-term rental ordinance back to the Council.

Council Business

Councilmember Jorstad thanked staff for all of their continued work.

Councilmember Dickinson reported that she attended the Library Board meeting. She also thanked staff for their work.

Councilmember Frederick reported that he attended the Webtec conference. He also spoke about the Grant Writer position requested in the budget.

Councilmember Petershagen reported that he has been attending meetings regarding the Grimm house and thanked staff for their work.

Councilmember Daughtry reported that he attended the last SCITT meeting.

Councilmember Ewing reported that he attended the Library Board meeting.

Mayor's Business

Proclamation for Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month - October, 2022

Proclamation for Hindu American Awareness and Appreciation Month - October, 2022

City Department Report

New Police Corporal Chris Schedler

Director Wright and Director Warrington also gave updates in their departments.

Consent Agenda

MOTION. Councilmember Frederick made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Jorstad, to pass the consent agenda as presented. The motion passed 7-0-0-0.

The consent agenda included the following:

- 2022 Vouchers
- City Council Meeting Minutes of October 4, 2022
- Appointment to Salary Commission

Moved to November 15, 2022:

Public Hearing

Short-Term Rentals – LUA2022-0046

Action Item

Resolution 2022-14 - Updated City Fee Schedule

MOTION. Councilmember Jorstad made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Frederick, to move Resolution 2022-14 to November 15, 2022, after the short-term rental discussion. The motion passed 7-0-0-0.

Discussion Items**2023 Budget**

Director Stevens explained the proposed 2023 Capital Project budget is based on the 6-Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and includes street, park, stormwater, walkway, and facility projects. These projects are mostly funded through capital project funds and grants, but may include some operating expenditures (general and street funds). The CIP is created based on a scoring matrix previously presented to the Council that prioritizes projects based on safety and other factors. Once that scoring is complete and the projects are prioritized, consideration is taken for available resources and potential funding sources. Some projects may be on the CIP list, but not be included in the budget due to limited resources. Those will remain on the list while new sources of funding are solicited.

If the Lake Stevens voters approve the Transportation Benefit District funding, an updated capital project budget will be presented to Council in 2023 as an amendment to the budget to include the previously reviewed list of projects.

A draft line-item budget was provided to the Council via email that included a list of capital projects for the upcoming year. That capital list has been updated to include projects currently underway that will be rolled forward from the 2022 budget and includes the forecasted project costs for 2024.

A revised summary of positions and items requested has been provided to the Council with the addition of the council directed "Grant Writer" position and the removal of the request to make a part-time Office Assistant full-time.

Council and staff engaged in a discussion.

Draft Agenda for November 1, 2022 (Will be handed out at the meeting)

Executive Session

The meeting recessed to executive session to discuss potential litigation for 20 minutes with no action after the session.


Note: Councilmember Jorstad left the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

Reconvene to Regular Session

The meeting reconvened to regular session at 8:52 p.m.

Adjournment

MOTION. Councilmember Frederick made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Dickinson, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 6-0-0-1. The meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.


Brett Gailey, Mayor
Kelly M. Chelin, City Clerk