



City Council Meeting Minutes

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July 15, 2024

WORKSHOPS: 5:00-5:30 p.m.

Vancouver City Hall - Council Chambers - 415 W 6th Street, Vancouver WA

Workshops were conducted in person in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Members of the public were invited to view the meeting in person, via the live broadcast on www.cvtv.org and CVTV cable channels 23 or HD 323, or on the City's Facebook page, or www.facebook.com/VancouverUS.

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2024 Housing Code Changes

(Approximately 30 minutes)

Rebecca Kennedy, Deputy Community Development Director, 360-487-7896; Brian Snodgrass, Principal Planner, 360-487-7946

Summary

Staff led Council through a discussion of the 2024 Housing Code Changes.

Councilmember Harless was absent from the workshop.

EXECUTIVE SESSION re: Pending Litigation and/or Potential

Litigation per RCW 42.30.110; Personnel - RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g) (40min)

Mayor McEnery-Ogle announced the Council would be entering into executive session from 5:52-6:22 p.m. to discuss Pending Litigation and/or Potential Litigation and Personnel.

COUNCIL DINNER/ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES (6:00-6:30 PM)

COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

This meeting was conducted as a hybrid meeting with in person and remote viewing and participation over video conference utilizing a GoToMeeting platform. Members of the public were invited to view the meeting in person, via the live broadcast on www.cvtv.org and CVTV cable channels 23 or HD 323, or on the City's Facebook page, www.facebook.com/VancouverUS. Public access and testimony on Consent Agenda items and under the Community Forum were also facilitated in person and via the GoToMeeting conference call.

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Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order and Roll Call

The regular meeting of the Vancouver City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor McEnery-Ogle. This meeting was conducted as a hybrid meeting, including both in person and remotely over video conference.

Present: Councilmembers Perez, Fox, Paulsen, Stober, Hansen, and Mayor McEnery-Ogle

Absent: Councilmember Harless

Motion by Councilmember Stober, seconded by Councilmember Hansen, and approved unanimously to excuse Councilmember Harless.

Community Communications

Mayor McEnerny-Ogle opened Community Communication and received testimony from the following community members regarding any matter on the agenda not scheduled for a Public Hearing:

- Kimberlee Goheen Elbon, La Center, WA
- Carmen DeLeon, Vancouver
- Kevin Callahan, Vancouver
- Sharon Pevey, Vancouver
- Richard Seekins, Vancouver

There being no further testimony, Mayor McEnerny-Ogle closed Community Communication.

Consent Agenda (Items 1-16)

Council pulled item 8 for discussion.

Motion by Councilmember Stober, seconded by Councilmember Hansen, and carried unanimously to approve items 1-7, and 9-16 on the Consent Agenda.

Motion by Councilmember Fox, seconded by Councilmember Perez, and carried unanimously to approve item 8 on the Consent Agenda.

1. **Construction Acceptance - Water Station 7 Water Treatment Improvements**

Staff Report: 129-24

The existing Water Station 7 fluoridation and disinfection systems were replaced with modern equipment to meet current standards. The new systems serve the same purpose with additional safeguards. The sodium hypochlorite solution will be generated and stored within the existing plant utilizing salt, water and electricity. In March 2022, City Council approved a contract with Stellar J Corporation to complete this work.

The contractor has satisfactorily completed this project in accordance with the provided plans & specifications. Contract costs are summarized below:

TOTAL CONTRACT COSTS	
Labor, Equipment and Materials	\$ 761,359.27
<u>Sales Tax</u>	<u>\$ 65,968.76</u>
Total	\$ 827,328.03
Retainage	\$ 38,067.96

The final contract amount was roughly 20% higher than the original \$687,701.64. Unforeseen changes were necessary during construction to improve the electrical service going out to the Clark PUD transformer to ensure the reliability of the new systems.

The Apprenticeship Utilization goal of 3% was exceeded with Stellar J Corporation and their subcontractors, delivering 453.0 apprentice hours out of the total 2,304 project hours.

Request: Accept the Water Station 7 Water Treatment Improvements project as constructed by Stellar J Corporation of Woodland, WA and authorize release of bond, subject to receipt of all documentation required by law.

Patrick Craney, Water Resource Engineer, 360-487-7161

Motion approved the request.

2. **Bid Award - Sodium Fluoride Contract, per bid 24-33**

Staff Report: 130-24

On June 18, 2024, the City received two (2) bids for supplying and delivering sodium fluoride. The bids ranged from \$841,338.00 to \$1,074,150.00. The low bidder, Newco Inc., has been recommended for acceptance by staff.

SUMMARY OF BIDS	
BIDDER	AMOUNT
Newco Inc. DBA Cascade Columbia Distribution Co.	\$841,338.00
Water Solutions Unlimited	\$1,074,150.00
Engineers' Estimate	\$550,000.00

Request: Award the bid amount of \$841,338.00 (\$2,580/ton) for purchase of Sodium Fluoride to the lowest bidder Newco Inc.

Brian Wilson, Operations Superintendent, 360-487-8275

Motion approved the request.

3. **Contract Amendment - Lead-Free Brass Fittings & Related Products for C-100892**

Staff Report: 131-24

Contract ITB #22-17: Lead -Free Brass Fittings & Related Products was awarded to Western Water Works Supply Co Inc. in April 2022 for \$300,000 over a period of five years. The previous 5-year contract was approved for \$1 million.

These are regularly stocked and utilized parts in the water system and there have been issues with supply and demand on these brass fittings. Because of that, Operations Warehouse staff have been ordering replacement parts early to help keep inventory at acceptable levels.

To maintain acceptable levels of service, an increase of \$500,000 is requested to be added to the remainder of this contract. With this it is anticipated to provide sufficient appropriation for the remaining 3 years of the contract.

Request: Authorize an increase to contract C-100892 with Western Water Works Supply Co Inc., for \$500,000.

Brian Wilson, Operations Superintendent, 360-487-8275

Motion approved the request.

4. Main Street Promise Project - Bid Rejection

Staff Report: 132-24

The Main Street Promise project includes a complete reconstruction of the Main Street corridor between 5th Street and 15th Street. On June 4, 2024, the City received three bids for the subject project. The bids ranged between \$18,300,000 and \$22,000,000.

This project is planned to be constructed in a dense, urban, active business district. Contractor experience in successfully delivering similar projects in comparable urban environments is critical to ongoing success of the business district and overall project success. The bid documents contained bidder responsibility criteria which set forth the minimum required project experience a successful contractor needed to possess to be eligible to be awarded the construction contract. These criteria included prior completion of projects by the contractor that were located in an urbanized downtown corridor similar to the Main Street location. Having reviewed the information submitted by the three bidders, it is apparent that revisions to the bidder responsibility criteria are needed to better reflect the City's minimum requirements for the Main Street Promise Project.

In addition, since the project is proposed to be readvertised for construction bids at a later date and given the July 1, 2024, implementation of a revised City apprenticeship policy, the bid documents will need to be revised to reflect implementation of that policy within the Main Street Promise Project. Staff is recommending that City Council reject all bids and direct staff to prepare revised bid documents to be advertised for bids at a later date.

Request: On July 15, 2024, reject all bids to facilitate revisions to the bidder responsibility criteria.

Ryan Lopossa, Streets and Transportation Manager, 360-

487-7706

Motion approved the request.

5. Contract Amendment - Motorola Solutions, Inc for Vancouver Police Department

Staff Report: 133-24

The City purchases radios through Motorola Solutions, Inc under Washington State Contract #00318. Purchases are expected to exceed the current \$300,000 threshold, requiring Council approval. The current contract has been utilized at approximately \$265,355.63. The increase of this threshold to a maximum of \$600,000 for the next additional two years, ending December 31, 2026, will enable Vancouver Police Department to continue to purchase radios in a quick manner while taking advantage of the Washington State Contract's competitive pricing.

Request: Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to continue to purchase radios from Motorola Solutions, Inc, under Washington State Contract #00318, up to a maximum of \$600,000 through December 31, 2026.

Jeff Mori, Police Chief, 360-487-7498

Motion approved the request.

6. Piggyback Contract - Purchase Bearcat Vehicle H-GAC AM10-23 from Lenco Industries

Staff Report: 134-24

The City purchases armored vehicles through Lenco Industries, Inc under HGAC AM10-23 Contract, C-101687. Purchases are expected to exceed the current \$300,000 threshold, requiring Council approval. The current contract has a balance of \$300,000 and the armored vehicle is estimated to cost \$370,000. The increase of this threshold to a maximum of \$380,000 will enable Vancouver Police Department to purchase an armored vehicle in a quick manner while taking advantage of the H-GAC Contract's competitive pricing, good through September 30, 2027.

Request: Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to approve purchases under contract C-101687, with Lenco Industries up to the current authorized budget.

Jeff Mori, Police Chief, 360-487-7498

Motion approved the request.

7. Interlocal Agreement - Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) 2023 Award

Staff Report: 135-24

The United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance will award Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funds to Clark County, Washington, in the amount of \$140,576 for Fiscal Year 2023. JAG Funds are intended to support a wide range of activities to reduce and prevent crime based on the needs and conditions of local jurisdictions. Allowable purpose areas include law enforcement equipment, supplies, training, and technology to enhance criminal justice. Clark County will administer this grant and disburse budgeted funds for the Vancouver Police Department through an interlocal agreement. When funding is awarded in September 2023, the City of Vancouver will receive \$70,288 to enhance law enforcement strategies.

Request: Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute an interlocal agreement with Clark County for disbursement of Justice Assistance Grant Funds.

Jeff Mori, Police Chief, 360-487-7498

Motion approved the request.

8. Grant for 2024 Urban Area Security Initiative

Staff Report: 136-24

Parking enforcement is a large element for vehicular clutter and in line with the Vancouver Municipal Code which is written and enforced under the umbrella of livability and safety for the members of our community. Having the ability to look up license plates and see that the respective vehicle has not moved will supplement VPD and Neighborhood Police Officer (NPO) efforts making parking enforcement a more manageable responsibly.

Prior to VPD updating ALPR equipment through Axon, volunteers utilized outdated equipment that regularly stopped functioning, rendering it out of service for months at a time. Even with equipment challenges, 160 stolen vehicles have been identified by volunteers since 2018. The functionality of the ALPR allows a license plate to be run through the Axon Evidence Dashboard and see the number of occurrences, images, locations, times, and dates for when an ALPR has driven past a specific license plate.

The USAI funding, through the Citizen Corps Program, is a federal passthrough grant that will allow VPD to invest in licenses for ALPR's for the NOW Program.

Request: Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute a subrecipient agreement with Clark Regional Emergency Services Agency to provide software licenses for the NOW Program Volunteers.

Jeff Mori, Police Chief, 360-487-7498

Motion approved the request.

9. Approval of Participation Agreement for State of Washington Opioid Settlement with Kroger Co.

Staff Report: 137-24

Since 2015, state and local governments around the Country have been united in efforts seeking to hold the manufacturers, distributors, and pharmacies of opioids responsible for the harms caused to their residents. The City of Vancouver joined this fight in 2019, filing suit against a number of manufacturers, distributors and pharmacies. That lawsuit was then transferred to the Northern District of Ohio as part of a nationwide multi-district litigation. The lawsuit has been pending there ever since. The City has already joined settlements with multiple opioid distributors (AmerisourceBergen Corporation, Cardinal Health, Inc., and McKesson Corporation) retailers (Teva, Allergan, CVS, Walgreens, and Walmart), and most recently, Johnson & Johnson/Janssen.

The Council approved a memorandum of understanding in April 2022 ("One Washington MOU"), that delineates the amount the City of Vancouver would receive if any statewide settlement was reached (1.7306605325% of amounts allocated to local governments) and limits the categories for which opioid funds may be expended. In March 2024 the City entered into an interlocal agreement with Camas and Washougal to fulfill its obligations under this MOU so that any expenditure of opioid funds is as transparent as possible to the public. The City of Battle Ground has since joined this interlocal agreement.

On March 22, 2024, Kroger Co. (which operates QFC and Fred Meyer within the State of Washington), a pharmaceutical retailer, entered into a \$1.2 billion nationwide settlement. The State of Washington announced on April 23, 2024, that it joined this settlement for an allocation of \$47.5 million to be split between the State and local governments, contingent upon eligible cities and counties joining the settlement. On June 28, 2024, the Attorney General's Office provided all litigating local governments (of which Vancouver is one) with a proposed Allocation Agreement. To join the settlement, Vancouver would need to execute the Allocation Agreement and Participation Form. Joining the settlement would bind Vancouver to the terms of the settlement, which is receiving its share of the payout over the next 11 years. Per the Allocation Agreement and One Washington MOU, Vancouver's share would be approximately \$400,000 paid out over that time frame.

Request: Authorize the City Manager, City Attorney, and/or designee to execute the attached Settlement Participation Form and attached Allocation Agreement to join the settlement with Kroger Co.

Dan Lloyd, Assistant City Attorney, (360) 487-8500

Motion approved the request.

10. Resolution Authorizing Grant for Pearson Field from Washington State Department of Transportation, Aviation Division

Staff Report: 138-24

A RESOLUTION authorizing the City of Vancouver to apply for a Washington State Department of Transportation, Aviation Division, Airport Aid grant to fund the construction of an electrical vault/runway lighting system rehabilitation project at Pearson Field Airport and providing for an effective date.

The City of Vancouver is receiving a grant from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to fund the construction of an electrical vault/runway lighting system rehabilitation project at Pearson Field Airport in 2024. The project includes the construction of a new electrical vault and the rehabilitation of the runway lighting system. Total cost of the project is estimated to be \$900,000. The FAA grant will pay for 90% of the project. WSDOT Aviation Division has Airport Aid grants that can be used as a 5% match for the project. The City, through the Pearson Field budget, would be responsible for the remaining 5%. The grant application requires a resolution indicating the City Council's authorization to apply for the grant.

Request: On July 15, 2024, approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to apply for a Washington State Department of Transportation, Aviation Division, Airport Aid grant for the construction of a electrical vault/runway lighting system rehabilitation at Pearson Field.

Guy Lennon, Airport Manager, 360-487-8619

Motion adopted Resolution M-4285 to approve the request.

11. Resolution Authorizing Grant from Federal Aviation Administration

Staff Report: 139-24

A RESOLUTION authorizing the City Manager to execute a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Airport Improvement Program grant to fund the construction of an electrical vault/runway lighting system rehabilitation project at Pearson Field Airport; and providing for an effective date.

The City of Vancouver has received a grant offer from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to fund the construction of an electrical vault/runway lighting system rehabilitation project at Pearson Field Airport in 2024. The

project includes the construction of a new electrical vault and the rehabilitation of the runway lighting system. Total cost of the project is estimated to be \$900,000. The FAA grant will pay for 90% of the project. The City, through the Pearson Field budget, would be responsible for the 5% and a Washington State Department of Transportation Airport Aid Program grant is proposed to cover the remaining 5%. The grant requires a resolution indicating the City Council's authorization for the grant.

Request: On July 15, 2024, approve a resolution authorizing the City to accept a Federal Aviation Administration Airport Improvement Program grant for the construction of an electrical vault/runway lighting system rehabilitation at Pearson Field.

Guy Lennon, Airport Manager, 360-487-8619

Motion adopted Resolution M-4286 to approve the request.

12. Amendments to City Council Policy 100-32

Staff Report: 140-24

A RESOLUTION relating to City Council policies and procedures for "City Council Meetings;" amending City Council Policy 100-32.

The City Council's operating policies and procedures were originally adopted in 1999. Periodic review and update to the policies are necessary to reflect changes in City policy as well as best practices in municipal governance and state law.

Vancouver City Council Policy 100-32 was last amended on January 9, 2023, by passage of Resolution M-4204. At that time, the City transitioned from a longstanding practice of holding Community Communication Forums twice per month at City Hall, to holding Community Forums at various locations throughout the community on a quarterly basis. Since that time, the City Council has observed that the Quarterly Communication Forums have been very productive.

The City Council discussed its policies on April 1 and June 17, 2024, and expressed interest in making further refinements to Policy 100-32. Attached for City Council's consideration are proposed modifications that, if adopted, would:

- Add approximately eight (8) community forum events to the City Council's annual calendar to be held in months in which a (quarterly) community forum is not otherwise scheduled to occur. The additional Community Communication Forums would be held at the end of the last Regular Meeting of each month, last up to one (1) hour, and allow up to three (3) total minutes of testimony from each speaker on any lawful topic.*

- *Address minor grammatical updates for sake of consistency throughout the policy as indicated in the “track changes” version of Policy 100-32 (attached).*
- *Establish an effective date for the new Policy of August 1, 2024. If adopted, City Staff anticipate returning to City Council on August 5 with an updated annual calendar and holding the first Regular Meeting with a Community Communication Forum on August 26, 2024.*

Request: Adopt a resolution amending City Council Policy 100-32.

Jonathan Young, City Attorney, 360-487-8500

Motion adopted Resolution M-4287 to approve the request.

13. Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission Appointments

The role of a Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission member is to act in an advisory manner to Vancouver Parks and Recreation staff, the Vancouver City Council and to advocate to decision makers and the public for parks and recreation issues.

Mayor McEnemy-Ogle recently interviewed candidates for this commission and recommends the reappointment of Jaynee Haygood and Jeremy Robbins to full-term positions that would begin July 31, 2024, and expire July 31, 2027.

*If there are no objections, this appointment will be presented for Council action at the at the **Monday, July 15**, Council meeting.*

Request: Reappoint Jaynee Haygood and Jeremy Robbins to full-term positions on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission that begin July 31, 2024, and expire July 31, 2027.

Mayor Anne McEnemy-Ogle

Motion approved the request.

14. Urban Forestry Commission Appointment

Established for the purpose of managing, conserving and enhancing the existing trees located in the parks and public areas owned by the City of Vancouver and in public rights-of-way, and thereby enhancing the appearance of the city and protecting an important environmental and economic resource for the benefit of the city’s residents and visitors, and for the purpose of assisting property owners and public agencies to improve and maintain trees in a manner consistent with adopted city policies.

Council Committee 2 recently interviewed candidates for this commission and recommends the full-term appointment of Lucius Shields and Jesse Durfee to positions that would begin immediately and expire June 30, 2028.

*If there are no objections, this appointment will be presented for Council action at the at the **Monday, July 15**, Council meeting.*

Request: Appoint Lucius Shields and Jesse Durfee to full term positions on the Urban Forestry Commission, that would begin immediately and expire June 30, 2028.

Council Committee 2

Motion approved the request.

15. Parking Advisory Committee Appointments

The Parking Advisory Committee advises City Council on policy issues related to all city-owned on-street and off-street parking facilities and makes recommendations on facilities and parking regulations.

Council Committee 1 recently interviewed candidates for this committee and recommends the reappointment of Jocelyn Cross and Ryan Morin to full-term positions that would begin immediately and expire June 30, 2028.

*If there are no objections, this appointment will be presented for Council action at the at the **Monday, July 15**, Council meeting.*

Request: Reappoint Jocelyn Cross and Ryan Morin to full-term positions on the Parking Advisory Committee that would begin immediately and expire June 30, 2028.

Council Committee 1

Motion approved the request.

16. Approval of Claim Vouchers

Request: Approve claim vouchers for July 15, 2024.

Motion approved claim vouchers in the amount of \$23,416,909.19.

Unfinished Business (Item 17)

17. Resolution requesting a voted measure from the City to be placed on the ballot during the General Election on November 5, 2024, requesting voter approval of a regular levy lid lift property

tax increase to fund police and public safety services and equipment and setting forth the ballot proposition

Staff Report: 141-24

A RESOLUTION of the City Council of the City of Vancouver, Washington, providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Vancouver at the November 5, 2024, General Election of a proposition authorizing the City to increase its regular property tax levy above the limit established in chapter 84.55 RCW to fund police and public safety services, staffing, facilities and equipment; requesting the Clark County Auditor to place the proposition on the November 5, 2024, ballot; and approving matters properly related thereto.

The City's population has been increasing significantly since 2017. With that growing increase, calls for police service have increased as well. In addition, the complexity of calls has also been increasing. The current staffing level is insufficient to address the volume and complexity of calls. VPD is actively triaging calls for service and consistently prioritizing person and violent crimes. Approximately 3,100 reported crimes go uninvestigated per year.

Over the last decade, the City Manager's Office has engaged the community in multiple ways regarding the services, outcomes, transparency, and accountability of the Vancouver Police Department. Building on this foundation, in early 2024, the City invited the community to come together for the next chapter of engagement on police-related matters.

The Police Community Advisory Committee was assembled in January 2024 to advise the City Manager on issues relating to police services in Vancouver. The committee includes 12 community members and three members of the City Council. The Committee reviewed the current levels of service, staffing, and outcomes VPD is delivering and trends in demand for service, such as call volume and criminal cases. Based on this review, the committee was tasked to advise on community values and priorities relative to a proposed increase in staffing capacity developed by the Office of the Police Chief.

The Committee has identified the following priorities, outcomes, and impacts to improve police services:

- 1. Build and strengthen relationships between VPD and the community.*
- 2. Support partnerships that help reduce conflict and prevent crime, especially by expanding the capacity to co-response and complementary programs aimed at addressing urgent mental health or substance use concerns.*
- 3. Maintain and improve overall VPD capacity and level of service*
- 4. Retain and support VPD staff*

5. *Utilize technology to improve efficiency and community safety, including creating an automated traffic camera enforcement program.*

To achieve the objectives above, the Committee has endorsed a six-year plan of staffing increase to ultimately add up to 116 full time employees (FTEs) to police and support services, including up to 80 sworn positions and up to 36 non-sworn FTEs as well as the creation of a traffic enforcement camera program, and expanding the Homeless Assistance and Resource Team (HART) program by four new positions by 2030. The non-sworn staff would be hired to support essential functions, such as records, evidence, analysis, community engagement, HART, and communications. An increase in police staffing will also include increased costs in the criminal justice system, from additional court costs to additional jail and corrections services. The programmatic expenses above are to be limited by sustainable new revenue and appropriated through the City's regular budgetary process.

To fully implement the hiring investments described above, VPD would need an estimated \$36 million annually by 2030. A new capital investment, a precinct, will also be required to house the newly added staff.

The Committee proposed the following funding approach: a permanent six-year property tax levy lid lift beginning in 2024, followed by a facilities bond in 2026 and a public safety sales tax in 2028 to round out the police's staffing needs.

At the July 1 and 7 Council meetings, the City Council reviewed the recommendations of the Committee. It directed staff to prepare a resolution to put a permanent multi-year levy lid lift request before voters during the November 2024 general election to increase the City regular levy by approximately \$0.41 per \$1,000 of assessed value (AV) in addition to the annual increase of 1% authorized by the Washington State law. In the subsequent five years, the total City regular levy is to be increased by 5% annually, and the resulting revenue in the year 2030 will serve as the basis for calculating all subsequent regular levies. The 2030 levy amount, less expiring levies, will be used to calculate subsequent levy limits in future years.

The City's 2024 property tax levy rate is \$2.364 per \$1,000 in AV. This number includes a \$0.2739 per \$1,000 AV affordable housing levy which is levied separately from the regular property tax levy. With the proposed regular property tax levy rate increase of approximately \$0.41 per \$1,000 AV, the estimated regular property levy rate for the City will not exceed \$2.63 per \$1,000 AV for taxes levied in 2025. The total levy rate is anticipated to grow to \$3.125 per \$1,000 AV by 2030 and will start declining annually thereafter.

If approved by voters, the proposed levy lid lift increase is anticipated to

cost an owner of a \$500,000 house a total of \$205 more per year in City taxes in 2025 and an estimated \$585 per year, in today's dollars, in 2030.

The Committee is invited to remain engaged on an ongoing basis to work with the city manager's office in support of transparency and accountability for implementation of these resources and the targeted outcomes anticipated to be supported by this additional staffing.

Request: Adopt the proposed resolution authorizing a proposition put before voters during the general election of 2024 to request the voter approval of an increase in the regular property tax of approximately \$0.41 in addition to the annual 1% increase to fund police and public safety needs and set forth the ballot proposition and to authorize the yearly 5% total City levy increase for years 2025-2030, with the levy in year 2030 to serve as a base for calculation of the subsequent levies.

Natasha Ramras, Chief Financial Officer, 360-487-8484; Jeff Mori, Police Chief 360-487-7421

Motion by Councilmember Hansen, seconded by Councilmember Paulsen, and carried unanimously to approve Resolution M-4288.

Communications

A. From the Council

B. From the Mayor

C. From the City Manager

Homeless Emergency Response Update #8

Jamie Spinelli, Homeless Response Manager, discussed the Homeless Emergency Response Update.

Climate Update

Rebecca Small, Senior Policy Analyst, discussed the Climate Update.

Adjournment

7:24 p.m.

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Anne McEnerny-Ogle, Mayor

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Natasha Ramras, City Clerk

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