

City of SeaTac

Regular Council Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2023
6:00 PM

City Hall
Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Jake Simpson called the SeaTac City Council Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT (in-person): Mayor Jake Simpson, Deputy Mayor (DM) Senayet Negusse, Councilmembers (CMs) Peter Kwon, Mohamed Egal, and Iris Guzmán; **(remote):** CMs Takele Gobena and Erin Sitterley.

STAFF PRESENT (in-person): City Manager Carl Cole, Senior Assistant City Attorney Cindy Corsilles, City Clerk Kristina Gregg, Multimedia Video Specialist David Inman; **(remote):** Deputy City Manager (DCM) Gwen Voelpel, Public Works (PW) Director William Appleton, PW Programs Coordinator Mason Giem, Assistant City Attorney Ha Dao

FLAG SALUTE: Mayor Simpson led the Council, audience, and staff in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA REVIEW: Hybrid Meeting: Broadcast on SeaTV Government Access Comcast Channel 21, Live-streamed on the City's website <https://www.seatacwa.gov/seatvlive>, in-person and remote options for public participation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

PRESENTATIONS:

Domestic Violence Awareness Month Proclamation.

Mayor Simpson read the proclamation.

Council confirmation of Caitlin Konya to the Community Services Advisory Committee.

MOVED BY NEGUSSE, SECONDED BY GUZMÁN TO CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENT OF CAITLIN KONYA TO THE COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE.*

Council discussion ensued regarding the appointment.

*MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mayor Simpson presented the certificate to Ms. Konya.

Key City Issues and Requests for Direction

City Manager Cole commented on the following items:

- Grant Application:
 - Association of Washington Cities (AWC): Wellness Mini-Grant - \$500
- Calendar

Council discussion ensued regarding Grant Coordinator position update.

Committee Updates (for items not included on the agenda) and review of proposed Council Requests

CM Kwon: Transportation & Public Works (T&PW)

DM Negusse: Administration & Finance (A&F), Public Safety & Justice (PS&J)

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of claims vouchers (check no. 136992 - 137074) in the amount of \$1,410,527.66 for the period ended October 5, 2023.

Approval of September EFT's in the amount of \$49,333.75 for the period ended September 25, 2023.

Approval of payroll vouchers (check no. 56340 - 56349) in the amount of \$338,826.29 for the period ended September 30, 2023.

Approval of payroll electronic fund transfer (check no. 113752 - 113917) in the amount of \$537,143.68 for the period ended September 30, 2023.

Approval of payroll wire transfer in the amount of \$182,999.59 for the period ended September 30, 2023.

CONSENT AGENDA (continued):

Approval of Council Meeting Minutes:

Transportation & Public Works Committee meeting held September 14, 2023

Regular Council Meeting held September 26, 2023

The following item was reviewed at the September 28, 2023 Transportation & Public Works Committee meeting and recommended for placement on this consent agenda:

Agenda Bill #6304; A Motion authorizing the City Manager to execute two (2) separate on-call contracts for transportation/traffic engineering and land surveying professional services.

MOVED BY EGAL, SECONDED BY NEGUSSE TO ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ACTION ITEMS:

Agenda Bill #6312; A Motion authorizing the City Manager to amend the current solid waste contract with Recology King County to include language to implement a fixed annual charge assessed by the King County (KC) Solid Waste Division.

Summary: KC Solid Waste now requires haulers to pay both a per ton tipping fee based on disposal tonnage and a Fixed Annual Charge (FAC).

In the past, KC Solid Waste Division's services were exclusively supported by a rate structure dependent on a tipping fee. However, disposal tonnage fluctuates from year to year in response to economic conditions and resource recovery programs. The result is an unpredictable revenue stream that creates a challenge for KC in meeting fixed costs.

After an extensive study, KC has established an FAC cost allocation to address the current funding challenge. For the City of SeaTac, the FAC that Recology will be required to pay is \$1,018,141 starting in 2024. This FAC was developed using a three-year average of solid waste tons produced by all city solid waste customers and will be revenue neutral for solid waste haulers and the City of SeaTac. The FAC will be allocated on a volume basis and passed through to residential and business customers.

A contract amendment is required to update the customer solid waste rates to reflect the FAC. The FAC will be listed as a separate line item on customers' bills and questions regarding the charge can be directed to the KC Solid Waste Division. A single-family customer with a 32-gallon trash can collected once a week can expect a FAC rate increase of \$1.78 per month while a compacted 40 cubic yard drop box of trash can expect a rate increase of \$523 per haul. A complete description of FAC charges levied is provided in the attached contract amendment.

This action is required to continue solid waste services for SeaTac businesses and residents and any future solid waste hauler would have to pay the FAC and the tipping fee.

Staff do not anticipate any significant changes to the City Solid Waste budget as the fixed annual charge is a pass-through cost to customers.

The T&PW Committee reviewed the contract amendment at the September 14, 2023 meeting and voted to move the item forward for Council action with a recommendation to approve.

PW Programs Coordinator Giem reviewed the agenda bill summary.

MOVED BY KWON, SECONDED BY EGAL TO PASS AGENDA BILL #6312.*

Council discussion ensued regarding the contract.

*MOTION CARRIED WITH SITTERLEY VOTING NO.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

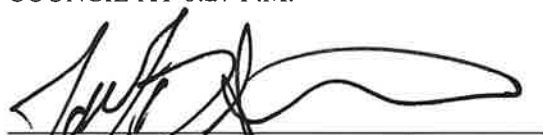
CM Sitterley – American’s always have choices

CM Kwon – Great Pumpkin Night, Green SeaTac Day, Fine Art Exhibit

Mayor Simpson – October 11, Community Resource Center at City Hall

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNED: MAYOR SIMPSON ADJOURNED THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SEATAC CITY COUNCIL AT 6:27 P.M.



Jake Simpson, Mayor



Kristina Gregg, City Clerk