



**City Council Regular Business Meeting
Tuesday, June 9, 2026**

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order / Roll Call / Pledge of Allegiance / Land Acknowledgement

Mayor Moriwaki called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm in Council Chambers and on the Zoom webinar.

Mayor Moriwaki, Deputy Mayor Hytopoulos and Councilmembers Lant, Mathews, Nelson, and Schneider were present. Councilmember Fantroy-Johnson attended remotely.

Mayor Moriwaki led the Pledge of Allegiance. Ingrid Peithman, a 4th grader from Ordway Elementary, read the Land Acknowledgment.

2. Approval of Agenda / Conflict of Interest Disclosure

Councilmember Nelson moved and Councilmember Lant seconded to approve the agenda with Consent Agenda items J through N removed. The motion failed 1-6 with Councilmember Nelson voting in favor.

Councilmember Mathews moved and Councilmember Schneider seconded to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried 6-1 with Councilmember Nelson voting against.

There were no conflicts of interest disclosed.

3. Presentation(s)

A. Present Proclamation for Juneteenth

Councilmember Mathews read the proclamation. Chasity Malatesta accepted the proclamation.

B. Present Proclamation for LGBTQI+ Month

Councilmember Lant read the proclamation. Eve Palay and Lyn Flowers accepted the proclamation.

C. Announce the Bainbridge Island Reads Book for Summer and Fall 2026

Interim City Manager Schroer announced the Bainbridge Island Reads book, "Storybook Ending" by Moira McDonald.

4. Public Comment

Pete Brady spoke against sales tax.

Bevan Taylor spoke against doing a land capacity analysis at full build out.

Gloria Saylor spoke in favor of the proclamations and against the parking reductions in Winslow.

Theresa Song expressed appreciation for the Bainbridge Reads program and proclamation and spoke in favor of affordable housing.

Ron Peltier spoke about the Comprehensive Plan process and land capacity analysis at full build out.

Stephen Hoskins spoke about the Comprehensive Plan and sewer capacity.

Christine Nhan, Puget Sound Energy, spoke about their comments on the Utilities element.

5. Consent Agenda

A. Agenda Bill for the Consent Agenda

Motion: I move to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Mathews/Schneider: The motion carried 6-1 with Councilmember Nelson voting against.

B. Approve Accounts Payable and Payroll

C. Approve Meeting Minutes

- D. Authorize the Interim City Manager to Execute the Woodward Middle School 120kW PV System Project Acceptance
- E. Concur with the 90% Design of the Bainbridge Island Senior/Community Center Redevelopment Project, Including Selection of Contractor
- F. Authorize the Interim City Manager to Execute a Purchase Order for a Public Works Office Trailer of \$200,000 and Approve a Related Budget Adjustment of \$80,000
- G. Authorize the Interim City Manager to Advertise for Bids for Construction of the Pleasant Beach Drive Extension Project
- H. Authorize the Interim City Manager to Enter into a Purchase Agreement for Three Suzuki Outboard Engines and Installation on the Police Boat (\$98,259.92)
- I. Authorize the Interim City Manager to Open a 30-day Call Beginning July 13, 2026, for Requests to Connect to the City's South Island Sewer System in Accordance with the Supplemental South Island Sewer Connection Policy 2.14A
- J. Consider Approval of Revisions to the Introduction to the Comprehensive Plan
- K. Consider Approval of Revisions to the Cultural Element of the Comprehensive Plan
- L. Consider Approval of Revisions to the Human Services Element of the Comprehensive Plan
- M. Consider Approval of Revisions to the Environmental Element of the Comprehensive Plan
- N. Consider Approval of Revisions to the Economic Element of the Comprehensive Plan
- O. Cancel the June 16, 2026 Study Session and Schedule a Special Business Meeting in its Place

6. City Manager's Report

- A. Receive City Manager's Report

Interim City Manager Schroer provided information on Juneteenth, the Bainbridge Island Pride Festival, the City Manager finalist event and interviews, and the updated Comprehensive Plan review schedule.

7. Regular Business

A. Confirm selections for “Something New” Art Rotation

Interim City Manager Schroer provided a presentation with information on the agenda item.

Motion: I move to accept the recommended artwork for the Something New 2026-2027 rotation and direct the Interim City Manager to prepare and execute necessary agreements and installation plans.

Mathews/Schneider: The motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

B. Consider Draft Utilities Element of the Comprehensive Plan

Interim City Manager Schroer introduced the agenda item, and Council discussed the topic.

Amended Motion: I move to change paragraph #2 in Utilities Vision 2044 to the original Utility Advisory Committee recommendation, that is no change to the existing policy. Councilmember Lant accepted a friendly amendment to amend the paragraph as follows:

Coordinated water and sewer systems serve the more densely populated areas. Many ~~Some~~ private homes rely on septic systems, but most are served by water purveyors that cover broad areas of the Island. The City, working with the other water purveyors, coordinates a monitoring program to ensure that the quantity and quality of potable water are sustained at safe levels for present and future generations.

Lant/Nelson: The motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

Motion: I move to change the Utilities Element Policy 12.8 to:

Study opportunities for the City, Kitsap Public Utility District, and private water purveyors to cooperatively support water conservation, aquifer protection, and system resilience. In long term plans, explore options for consolidating larger water systems to improve efficiency, strengthen local stewardship, and ensure reliable service equitably across the island.

Schneider/Lant: The motion carried 4-3 with Councilmembers Nelson and Lant and Deputy Mayor Hytopoulos voting against.

Motion: I move to strike the language in Policy U 12.8 and add in its place the following:

“Conduct a study of consolidation of water systems owned by the City and Kitsap Public Utility District. Pursue long-term consolidation of water systems under City management or ownership.”

Nelson/Lant: The motion carried 4-3 with Councilmembers Schneider and Fantroy-Johnson and Deputy Mayor Hytopoulos voting against.

Motion: In order to ensure that market rate development does not consume all or most of the limited remaining capacity of the wastewater treatment plant before affordable projects have a chance to be developed:

I move that the Utilities Element be amended to include the follow Action Item:
“The City shall reserve a defined allocation of sewer ERUs for housing projects affordable to 80% AMI and below, with the specific reservation amount to be established through the General Sewer Plan update process”

Hytopoulos/Nelson: The motion carried 4-3 with Councilmembers Lant, Mathews and Fantroy-Johnson voting against.

Motion: I move to change Policy U 13.9 to the original Utility Advisory Committee recommendation:

Study and advance consolidation or joint ownership of collection and treatment systems owned by the City and KPUD. Develop timeframes for a joint ownership agreement of the Fort Ward Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Lant/Mathews: The motion carried 6-1 with Deputy Mayor Hytopoulos voting against.

Motion: I move to strike the following sentence from Policy 16.4:

"Evaluate opportunities to provide improved and cost-effective services from alternate providers."

“Perform periodic reviews to ensure that Bainbridge Disposal is providing safe, reliable, cost effective and responsive solid waste, compost and recycling

collection. ~~Evaluate opportunities to provide improved and cost-effective services from alternative providers."~~

Nelson/Lant: The motion carried 4-3 with Mayor Moriwaki and Councilmembers Schneider and Fantroy-Johnson voting against.

Motion: I move to change Goal U-16 as follows:

Ensure adequate, ~~convenient~~, cost effective, reliable, safe, equitable, and sustainable solid waste, recycling and composting service to the ~~citizens~~ residents of Bainbridge Island.

Lant/Hytopoulos: The motion carried 4-3 with Mayor Moriwaki and Councilmembers Fantroy-Johnson and Mathews voting against.

Amended Motion: I move to strike "Investigate the development of" and add "Continue to pursue" at the beginning of Policy U 13.8.

~~"Investigate the development of~~ Continue to pursue tertiary wastewater treatment and the beneficial re-use of wastewater."

Nelson/Mathews: The motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

Motion: I move to insert "source-separated" into Policy U 16.2:

Encourage source-separated solid waste collection policies and practices, including development requirements that require and ensure the proper space planning for recycling and yard waste/composting options for all multi-family residential properties.

Lant/Nelson: The motion failed 3-4 with Councilmembers Lant, Nelson and Deputy Mayor Hytopoulos voting in favor.

Motion: I move to change Policy U 16.5 as follows:

Coordinate with Bainbridge Disposal and the County to improve access to updated information on solid waste, recycling and ~~composting organics~~ collection and disposal services. Obtain information from Bainbridge Disposal regarding where collected recyclable and organic material is sent ~~for recycling~~ and reuse rates for recyclable and organic materials; information can also include known recoverable materials that are being landfilled. Increase visibility and outreach for special events for hard to recycle materials such as hazardous waste or polystyrene foam.

Lant/Hytopoulos: The motion carried 5-1 with Councilmember Fantroy-Johnson voting against and Councilmember Mathews abstaining.

Motion: I move to change Policy U 16.6 as follows:

Consider methods to reduce the amount of solid waste disposal, e.g.: material bans, composting or compaction, ~~or by~~ the conversion of solid waste to energy, updating city ordinances, updating accepted materials lists, and review and implementation of best practices for source separation at the generator level

Lant/Nelson: The motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

Motion: I move to forward the Utilities Element of the Comprehensive Plan to a future meeting for further discussion and consideration of approval.

Nelson/Schneider: The motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

C. Consider Capital Facilities Element of the Comprehensive Plan

Interim City Manager Schroer introduced the agenda item and shared a Capital Facilities Calculation chart. City Engineer Peter Corelis provided additional information, and Council discussed the topic.

Motion: I move to insert “a Groundwater Management Plan,” after “Water System Plan,” in the second full paragraph on page CF-2.”

“The City’s adopted functional plans are adopted by reference in this *Capital Facilities Element*, including an Islandwide Mobility Plan, Water System Plan, a Groundwater Management Plan, a Sewer System Plan, a Storm and Surface Water Management Program, and a Pavement Asset Management Plan – each operational plan providing an inventory of existing facilities, an analysis of deficiencies and future demand, and recommendations for capital improvements.”

Nelson/Lant: The motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

Amended motion: In order to directly correlate the sewer capacity ceiling to a specific number of housing units that that capacity will serve:

I move that the City Council direct the City Manager to direct staff to prepare and present to Council, no later than the June 23rd business meeting, a sewer capacity reconciliation table that includes the following (with ERUs being the consistent unit of measurement for all data, and either (1) an assumption of one ERU per

residential unit or commercial use or (2) appropriate multipliers for both multifamily and commercial uses):

- (a) existing sewer connections
- (b) homes currently on septic systems within the sewer service area
- (c) capacity committed to approved but unbuilt development
- (d) projected residential demand to meet HB1220
- (e) projected commercial demand
- (f) total projected demand
- (g) currently available capacity,
- (h) total available capacity after each planned upgrade,
- (i) the resulting surplus or deficit at each planning horizon,
- (j) the funding status of each upgrade needed to eliminate any deficit, and
- (k) the land capacity analysis numbers if available

Hytopoulos/Nelson: The motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

Council adjourned for a 5-minute recess at 8:55 pm and returned at 9:00 pm.

Motion: Page CF-10 – First Sentence under “Drinking Water”

I move to strike “over 1,000” and insert “approximately 1,700” in the first sentence under “Drinking Water” on page CF-10.

“Domestic drinking water is supplied by the City of Bainbridge Island, Kitsap County P.U.D. No. 1, numerous smaller public water systems (2 or more hookups), and ~~over 1,000~~ approximately 1,700 private single-dwelling wells.”

Nelson/Lant: The motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

Motion: In order to memorialize the known capacity constraints that have not yet been addressed in an updated Sewer Plan or detailed in the Capital Facilities Element:

I move that the Capital Facilities Element be amended prior to adoption to include, in the 'Sanitary Sewage Disposal' section at approximately CF-11, the following language, subject to verification of accuracy and minor revisions by staff, and further review by Council:

"The Winslow Wastewater Treatment Plant is currently scheduled for a capacity upgrade expected to be completed in 2027, increasing available capacity to approximately 1,100 ERUs above current connections. A second capacity upgrade, estimated for implementation in approximately 2040, would increase total capacity to approximately 2,110 ERUs. The wastewater treatment plant is loading-constrained (limited by biological oxygen demand rather than hydraulic flow volume), which means that commercial uses with high pollutant concentrations consume capacity at a greater rate than residential uses. As part of the planned update to the City's General Sewer Plan the City will develop a loading-weighted ERU methodology to accurately account for commercial demand on plant capacity. This Capital Facilities Element will be reassessed if monitoring indicates that actual growth or loading patterns require acceleration of the second upgrade or if projected funding sources prove inadequate to meet identified needs"

Hytopoulos/Nelson: The motion was withdrawn.

Amended Motion: I move that the Council direct the City Manager to direct staff to prepare a simple summary paragraph to be inserted into the Capital Facilities Element that summarizes the current state of sewer capacity at the plant and what our next steps are.

Hytopoulos/Nelson: The motion carried 6-0 with Councilmember Schneider abstaining.

Councilmember Fantroy-Johnson left the meeting at 9:20 pm and returned at 9:24 pm.

Amended Motion: Page CF-12: First Paragraph under "Special Purpose District Plans Adopted By Reference," Parenthetical at the End of Second Sentence

"The City has several special districts that serve the entire Island (e.g. B.I. Fire Department) and some that serve certain geographical areas, but not the entire Island (e.g. Kitsap County Sewer District 7)."

I move direct the Interim City Manager to direct staff to correct the references to Kitsap County Sewer District 7 throughout the document.

Nelson/Mathews: The motion carried, 6-0 with Councilmember Fantroy-Johnson absent for the vote.

Amended Motion: In order to make the City's planning documents transparent and understandable to the current and future policymakers, staff, and the community:

I move that the Council direct the City Manager to direct staff to include in the sewer update a standardized people-per-ERU conversion factor for sewer capacity planning, including the methodology and data source for the figure, and to apply the documented factor consistently across all capital facilities planning documents.

Hytopoulos/Nelson: The motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

Motion: Page CF-11 – First Paragraph, Last Sentence

I move to strike "It is also likely that most of the smaller systems have" and insert "Some of the smaller systems may also have" in the last sentence of the first paragraph on page CF-11.

~~"It is also likely that most of the smaller systems have~~ Some of the smaller systems may also have poor or nonexistent fire protection designed into their systems due to the cost of providing large diameter pipes and storage tanks."

Nelson/Lant: The motion failed 2-5 with Councilmembers Lant and Nelson voting in favor.

Motion: In order to verify that we are at least compliant with regard to zoning consistent with the projected capacity of the existing treatment plant at full build out:

I move that the City Council direct the City Manager to direct the Department of Public Works to present to Council, by the 6/23 business meeting, a preliminary cost estimate and proposed funding mechanism for the second wastewater treatment plant capacity upgrade project currently scheduled for implementation in approximately 2040, including to the extent available, the following information: (a) an order-of-magnitude cost estimate in current dollars, (b) proposed funding source or sources, (c) the earliest feasible implementation date if growth occurs faster than currently projected, and (d) a high level summary of any regulatory hurdles.

Hytopoulos/Nelson: The motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

Motion: I move to forward the Capital Facilities Element of the Comprehensive Plan to a future meeting for further discussion and consideration of approval.

Mathews/Schneider: The motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

- D. Discuss Potential Analysis of Infrastructure Capacity and Land Capacity Analysis at Full Build Out

Interim City Manager Schroer introduced the agenda item. Council discussed the topic.

Motion: I move to direct the Interim City Manager to provide to Council options for a capacity analysis at full build out including the feasibility of each option and an assessment of staff time for each.

Nelson/Hytopoulos: The motion failed 2-5 with Councilmember Nelson and Deputy Mayor Hytopoulos voting in favor and Councilmember Lant abstaining.

- E. Appoint Three Council Members as Voting Delegates for the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Conference

Interim City Manager Schroer introduced the agenda item.

Motion: I move to appoint Mayor Moriwaki and Councilmembers Mathews and Fantroy-Johnson as voting delegates for the AWC Conference.

Nelson/Lant: The motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

8. Communications

- A. Consider Request from Councilmember Mathews to Add a Presentation from Kitsap Public Health District on Kratom to a Future Council Meeting

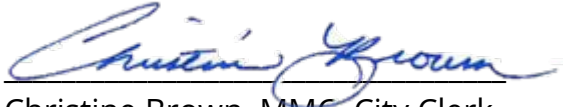
Councilmember Mathews introduced the agenda item and noted that she is withdrawing her request for now.

9. Council Announcements

Council members provided an update on local and regional meetings and events.

10. Adjournment

Mayor Moriwaki adjourned the meeting at 10:07 pm.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Christine Brown", written over a horizontal line.

Christine Brown, MMC, City Clerk

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Clarence Moriwaki", written over a horizontal line.

Clarence Moriwaki, Mayor