



CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2020

MEETING MINUTES

1) CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Deputy Mayor Deets called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. on the Zoom webinar platform.

Mayor Schneider, Deputy Mayor Deets, and Councilmembers Carr, Hytopoulos, Nassar and Pollock were present.

2) EXECUTIVE SESSION

2.A Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g), to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for employment or to review the performance of a public employee.

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Deputy Mayor Deets adjourned the meeting to an executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1) (g), at 6:05 p.m. Council extended the executive session at 7:06 p.m. for an additional 30 minutes. Council extended the executive session at 7:37 p.m. for an additional 20 minutes.

Council returned from executive session at 7:57 p.m., and Deputy Mayor Deets reconvened the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

3) **APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE**

Deputy Mayor Deets moved and Councilmember Pollock seconded the addition of a discussion regarding Councilmember Pollock's correspondence with the Kitsap County Commissioners. The motion carried unanimously, 6 – 0.

Councilmember Carr moved and Councilmember Pollock seconded to remove items 7.A and 7.B. from the agenda. The motion carried unanimously, 6 – 0.

The agenda was approved as amended. There were no conflicts of interest disclosed.

4) **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Schneider mentioned the North Ward Council vacancy process and announced that she will not serve the second year of her term as Mayor. She reported on a virtual sustainable transportation conference that she participated in with Councilmember Carr.

5) FUTURE COUNCIL AGENDAS

5.A Future Council Agendas

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[January 5 City Council Study Session.pdf](#)

[January 12 City Council Regular Business Meeting.pdf](#)

Interim City Manager Schroer reviewed future council agendas. Council discussed the scheduling of the small lots, committee assignments, and Multi-Family Tax Exemption (MFTE) in January.

6) NORTH WARD COUNCIL VACANCY

6.A Selection and Appointment of North Ward Council Member

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[Brenda Fantroy-Johnson Council Vacancy Application_Redacted.pdf](#)

Deputy Mayor Deets introduced the agenda item. Councilmembers discussed the process.

MOTION: I move to appoint Brenda Fantroy-Johnson to the North Ward, District 2, City Council position.

Nassar/Pollock: The motion carried 4 – 0, with Councilmembers Carr and Hytopoulos abstaining.

AYES: Deets, Nassar, Pollock, Schneider

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: Carr, Hytopoulos

7) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7.A Policy Options for Lots Less than 12,500 Square Feet in the R-1, R-2 & R-0.4 Zoning District - Planning

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[Council Member Carr Small Lots Regulatory Option Memo](#)

[Staff Memo, Small Lots for CC 12152020](#)

This item was removed from the agenda.

7.B Staff Update on Joint City Council/Planning Commission Land Use Subcommittee Recommendations and Timeline, Phase I - Planning

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[Staff Memo Update and Discussion 20201211](#)

[Background Memo, Initial Recommendations](#)

[Background Memo, Attachment A](#)

[Triage Phase I & II Planning Commission comments](#)

This item was removed from the agenda.

8) COUNCIL DISCUSSION

8.A Safe Routes to School Pop-Up Projects Introduction - Councilmember Carr

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Councilmember Carr introduced the agenda item. Tamela Van Winkle from the Bainbridge Island School District and Paula Holmes-Eber from Squeaky Wheels provided a presentation on the projects.

MOTION: Councilmember Nassar moved to direct staff to come back to Council in January with a suite of pop-up projects for Council review.

Nassar/Schneider: The motion carried unanimously, 6 – 0.

AYES: Carr, Deets, Hytopoulos, Nassar, Pollock, Schneider

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

8.B Grow Avenue Traffic Considerations - Councilmember Nassar [Cover Page](#)

Councilmember Nassar introduced the agenda item. Public Works Director Wierzbicki provided additional information on options.

Deputy Mayor Deets adjourned the meeting for a break at 9:37 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 9:43 p.m.

8.C Discussion of eCommerce Alternatives - Economic Recovery Council Ad Hoc Committee [Cover Page](#) [City Manager and Staff Feedback on Digital Storefront RFP - for CC 12152020](#) [EXAMPLE RFP: Greenhouse Emissions RFP](#)

Deputy Mayor Deets introduced the agenda item, and Council discussed the topic.

8.D Response to Councilmember Pollock's December 10 and 11 Emails to the Kitsap County Commissioners

Deputy Mayor Deets introduced the agenda item, and Council discussed the topic. Deputy Mayor Deets was dropped from the video conference due to internet connection issues and rejoined by phone. Mayor Schneider chaired the remainder of the meeting.

MOTION: I move to admonish Councilmember Michael Pollack for the actions he took on a matter of substantial importance to the community and that Councilmember Pollack he did not adhere to the core values to act with mutual respect, as set out in the City of Bainbridge Island's Code of Conduct and that by doing so did not uphold the highest standards of professional conduct. The admonishment will take the form of a verbal nonpublic statement made by the Deputy Mayor to Councilmember Pollock at a time to be determined later, but in any event, no later than December 31, 2020.

Deets/Hytopoulos: The motion was withdrawn following discussion.

Councilmember Carr discussed Councilmember Pollock's participation in the Joint City Council and Planning Commission Land Use Subcommittee.

MOTION: Councilmember Carr moved to remove Councilmember Pollock from the Joint City Council/Planning Commission Subcommittee.

Carr/Hytopoulos: The motion failed 3 – 1, with Deputy Mayor Deets and Councilmember Nassar abstaining.

AYES: Carr, Hytopoulos, Schneider

NOES: Pollock

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: Deets, Nassar

9) **FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Councilmember Nassar mentioned the Rights of Nature movement.

Councilmember Carr stated that she will no longer serve on the Joint City Council and Planning Commission Land Use Subcommittee.

10) **ADJOURNMENT**

Deputy Mayor Deets adjourned the meeting at 11:26 p.m.

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Christine Brown, CMC, City Clerk