

**City of Kenmore
City Council Meeting
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, July 10, 2023**

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PRESENT:

Councilmembers: Mayor Nigel Herbig
Deputy Mayor Melanie O’Cain
Councilmember David Baker
Councilmember Joe Marshall
Councilmember Angela Kugler
Councilmember Debra Srebnik
Councilmember Corina Pfeil

Staff: City Manager Rob Karlinsey
Deputy City Manager Stephanie Lucash
City Attorney Curtis Chambers – Virtual
City Clerk Anastasiya Warhol
Deputy City Clerk Michelle Kang
Environmental Services Director Richard Sawyer
Climate Action Plan Program Manager Nina Rasmussen
Housing and Human Services Manager Tambi Cork

Speaking Guests: Davina Duerr, State Representative
Derek Stanford, State Senator
Michelle Clark, King County Flood Control District Executive
Director
Kate Akyuz, King County Capital Project Program Manager
Kelly Rider, King County Chief of Staff
Penny Lipsou, DCHS Government Relations Manager
Chanin Kelly-Rae, DEIA Consultant – Virtual
Elizabeth Murphey, Plymouth Housing
Karen Peterson, Plymouth Housing

Public Comments Speaking Guests:

Sara Solum Hayashi, Kenmore Resident
Jon Culver, Kenmore Resident
Milton Curtis, Kenmore Resident
Dakota Rash, Lake Forest Park Resident
Tracy Banaszynski, Kenmore Resident
Elizabeth Mooney, Kenmore Resident
Chris Olson, Kenmore Resident
David Dorian, Kenmore Resident
Stacey Valenzuela, Kenmore Resident
Janet Hays, Kenmore Resident
Pasha Mohajerjasbi, Kenmore Senior Center
Nathan Phillips, Kenmore Senior Center
Heidi Shepherd, North Urban Human Services Alliance

CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Herbig called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Herbig led the Council in the flag salute.

AGENDA APPROVAL

The agenda was approved as presented.

PRESENTATIONS

Legislative Session Wrap-Up

Mayor Herbig highlighted the efforts of our legislators and thanked them for continued advocacy. Councilmembers echoed the sentiments. Senator Derek Stanford and Representative Davina Duerr attended.

Sammamish River Regional Coordination Plan

Environmental Services Director Richard Sawyer was joined by King County Flood Control District Executive Director Michelle Clark, King County Capital Project Manager Kate Akyuz

[Agenda Bill - Sammamish River Capital Investment Strategy \(CIS\) Project Update Presentation - Sammamish River Capital Investment Strategy \(CIS\)](#)

Sammamish River Capital Investment Strategy is a King County project but includes many partners including cities, tribes, state agencies, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the public. The Funding is provided by the King County Flood Control District. King County has hired staff and consultants to develop a Capital Investment Strategy (CIS). The work focuses on the Sammamish River. Three goals were outlined:

- Update the USACE 1964 Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Manual to bring maintenance practices up to date with current laws.
- Provide an updated multi-benefit capital investment and maintenance strategy that plans for and addresses current and future conditions.
- Work with partners to determine an implementation strategy for projects and help get some of the projects started.

The team shared the following project schedule:

- Sammamish River CIS Planning 2022
- Plan Development 2023-2024
- District Review and Approval 2024
- Project Implementation 2025-2045

WHERE'S THE FUN?

City Manager Rob Karlinsey highlighted the recent 4th of July Celebration event hosted at Log Boom Park.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The City Council took comments from the public.

Timestamped link here:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/siEgA4r2NPU?feature=share&t=4225>

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve City Council Special and Regular Meeting Minutes from June 12, 2023.
[City Council Special and Regular Meeting Minutes from June 12, 2023](#)
- B. Approve City Council Regular Meeting Minutes from June 26, 2023.
[City Council Regular Meeting Minutes from June 26, 2023](#)
- C. Approve Total Check #s 52298 through 52396 totaling \$833,727.08 and Total Payroll/Taxes/Flexible Spending/Retirement & Health Savings Account Electronic Deposits Dated 06/16/2023 in the amount totaling \$243,022.29 and ACH Payment to KBA, Inc. in the amount of \$1,836.55, and Payroll Check #s 10233 through 10241 in the amount of \$5,107.41.
[Voucher Certification and Approval 06/10/23 - 06/23/23](#)
- D. Receive and File January 2023 Financial Report for the City of Kenmore, Washington.
[Agenda Bill and Attachment - January 2023 Financial Report](#)
- E. Receive and File February 2023 Financial Report for the City of Kenmore, Washington.
[Agenda Bill and Attachment - February 2023 Financial Report](#)
- F. Receive and File March 2023 Financial Report for the City of Kenmore, Washington.

[Agenda Bill and Attachment - March 2023 Financial Report](#)

- G. Receive and File April 2023 Financial Report for the City of Kenmore, Washington.

[Agenda Bill and Attachment - April 2023 Financial Report](#)

- H. Authorize the City Manager to execute Contract No. 23-C2950 with Northend Excavating, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.

[Agenda Bill - Contract No. 23-C2950 Northend Excavating, Inc.](#)

MOTION: Councilmember Pfeil moved to approve the consent agenda outlined above. Councilmember Kugler seconded the motion.

VOTE: 7 For; 0 Abstain; 0 Against. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

BUSINESS AGENDA

A. King County Proposition No. 1: Veterans, Seniors, and Human Services Levy

The King County Council passed Ordinance 19604 concerning replacement of expiring veterans, seniors, and human services levy. If approved, this proposition would fund capital facilities and services for veterans, servicemembers, and their families; seniors and caregivers; and resilient communities susceptible to reduced health, housing, financial, or social stability outcomes. It would authorize an additional six-year property tax levy for collection beginning in 2024 at \$0.10 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, with the 2024 levy amount being the base for calculating annual increases by 3.5% in 2025-2029; and exempt eligible seniors, veterans, and disabled persons under RCW 84.36.381. Should this proposition be: Approved or Rejected?

The item was presented by Kelly Rider, Chief of Staff and Penny Lipsou, Government Relations Manager - King County Department of Community & Human Services.

- Questions and Comments from Councilmembers
- **Public Comment Period:** Opportunity to share support or opposition. Members of the public are afforded an approximately equal opportunity for the expression of an opposing view (RCW 42.17A.555(1))
- Proposed Resolution No. 23-401

[From King County - VSHSL Kenmore City Council Presentation](#)

[From King County - VSHSL One-Pager](#)

[Agenda Bill - King County Proposition No. 1 Veterans, Seniors, and Human Services Levy](#)

[Attachment 1 - Proposed Resolution No. 23-401](#)

Mayor Herbig opened the public hearing at 8:59 pm.

Two persons gave testimony:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/siEgA4r2NPU?feature=share&t=7117>

MOTION: Deputy Mayor O’Cain moved to adopt Resolution 23-401 expressing support for the King County Ballot Measure Proposition No. 1 Veterans, Seniors, and Human Services Levy. Councilmember Pfeil seconded the motion.

VOTE: 7 For; 0 Abstain; 0 Against. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

STAFF REPORTS

- A. Land Acknowledgement Update, presented by Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (DEIA) Consultant Chanin Kelly-Rae

Consultant Chanin Kelly-Rae described the collaborative process with local tribal leaders in preparing and presenting the following land acknowledgement:

"We acknowledge that the City of Kenmore is situated upon the ancestral lands of the Snohomish, Snoqualmie, Sauk-Suiattle, Duwamish, Stillaguamish, Tulalip, Suquamish, Muckleshoot, and other tribes who are part of the Coast Salish Peoples. We recognize and express our deepest respect for their enduring stewardship and profound relationship with this land, which they have cherished and protected since time immemorial. We honor the First Peoples, acknowledge their vibrant cultures, and commit ourselves to learning from their wisdom in our journey to promote justice, equity, and mutual understanding. We pledge to stand alongside these communities in acknowledging past injustices and working towards a future that respects and celebrates the diverse heritage of this land."

Next, Ms. Kelly-Rae noted that the acknowledgement will be presented to the DEIA Advisory Committee, and to the Council for consideration at a future July meeting.

- B. Climate Action Element Comprehensive Plan Amendments Update and Climate Action Plan Implementation Update, presented by Environmental Services Director Richard Sawyer and Climate Action Plan Program Manager Nina Rasmussen

[Memo - Climate Action Element Comprehensive Plan Amendments Update and Climate Action Plan Implementation Update](#)

Climate Action Plan Program Manager Nina Rasmussen explained that she is currently working on the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory. The City is also preparing to launch an engagement campaign to unveil the Climate Action Plan (CAP) and to gather feedback related to the specific CAP action items. The City is considering proposing a community climate committee. As the process unfolds, the City will continue to build on neighboring partnerships, such as Eastside Climate Partnership.

A Councilmember suggested that the City consider using Eastside Climate Challenge community engagement tool. In addition, the Council highlighted tax credits for heat pumps, EVs, and solar panels for homes. Councilmembers were in support of a local committee.

- C. Affordable Housing Update, presented by Deputy City Manager Stephanie Lucash, Housing and Human Services Manager Tambi Cork, along with Elizabeth Murphy and Karen Peterson from Plymouth Housing
[Presentation - Affordable Housing Staff Update - July 2023](#)

6532 Bothell Way

Deputy City Manager Stephanie Lucash provided an update on Kenmore's Supportive Housing Project located at 6532 Bothell Way. This is a partnership between four entities: The City of Kenmore, Plymouth Housing & Development Team, A Regional Coalition for Housing (ARCH), and Bastyr University. The project will provide 100 housing units specifically targeted for those at 30% Annual Median Income levels. Seniors, Veterans, disabled, and formerly homeless individuals will be especially targeted. Bastyr University is scheduled to install an Apothecary Tea House in the building. Elizabeth Murphy from Plymouth Housing noted that permit submission is scheduled for 3rd quarter 2023, construction is estimated to begin in the 1st quarter of 2024, and a fully constructed and leased building is forecasted for 4th quarter of 2025.

7010 NE 181st St. NE

Housing and Human Services Manager Tambi Cork offered an update on the next project, the "Holt Property". The property, located at 7010 NE 181st St. NE, is scheduled to become a new housing site with an added community space on the ground floor. The goal is to include a mix of affordable ownership and workforce housing. The City is working on the RFP and hopes to bring a selected partner for Council approval before the end of year.

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS & COMMENTS

The City Council agreed to discuss designating the Arts of Kenmore as the City's official Arts Organization at an upcoming September meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Herbig adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:53 PM.


[Nigel G. Herbig \(Aug 31, 2023 18:37 PDT\)](#)

Nigel Herbig, Mayor


[Anastasiya Warhol \(Sep 5, 2023 12:02 PDT\)](#)

Anastasiya Warhol, City Clerk

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