

**CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP  
MEETING**

**April 16, 2024  
6:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**



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**Location:** Bonney Lake Justice & Municipal Center, 9002 Main Street East, Bonney Lake, Washington.

Audio starts at: **I. CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Terry Carter  
06:00

A. Pledge of Allegiance.

Audio starts at: **II. Roll Call:** City Clerk Sadie Schaneman called the roll. In addition to Mayor Carter, other  
6:01 elected officials attending were Deputy Mayor Dan Swatman, Councilmember Angela Baldwin, Councilmember Gwendolyn Fullerton, Councilmember Kerri Hubler, and Councilmember J. Kelly McClimans. Councilmember Dan Roach was virtual.

Staff members in attendance at the physical location were City Administrator John Vodopich, Police Chief Mark Berry, Interim Public Services Director Jason Sullivan, Deputy City Attorney-Prosecutor Dena Burke, Assistant to the City Administrator Leslie Harris, City Engineer Ken Gill, Maintenance Worker III Joe Lovett, Maintenance Worker I Austyn Young, Legal Specialist II Carol Paul, City Clerk Sadie Schaneman, and Administrative Specialist II Debbie McDonald.

Staff members in virtual attendance: Chief Finance Officer Cherie Reiersen, Administrative Services Director Chuck McEwen, Judge Joanne Daniels, Recreation & Special Events Manager David Wells, Human Resource Manager Brian Sandler, and City Attorney Jennifer Robertson.

Agenda Modification: Councilmember Balwin asked for an agenda modification to add AB24-28 as a discussion and action item to the agenda.

**Councilmember Hubler moved to add AB24-28 as a discussion and action item to the agenda. Deputy Mayor Swatman seconded the motion.**

**Motion approved 6 – 0.**

**III. OLD BUSINESS:**

Audio starts at: **A. Discussion Regarding Council Vacancy/Nominations**  
6:02

Mayor Carter gave a brief summary of where Council was in the appointing process of a new Councilmember.

Teresa Caron – Nominated by Fullerton on 4/9/24

Jessie Lovett – Nominated by Hubler on 4/9/24

Chris Blanco – Nominated by Roach on 4/9/24

Aaron Davis – Nominated by Roach on 4/9/24

Other candidates, not nominated: Rod Vincent and Joe Finden

Mayor Carter asked if there was any discussion before heading into executive session.

Councilmembers had no items for discussion.

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6:04

- B. Executive Session:** Mayor Carter announced the City Council will meet in Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(h) to discuss the qualifications of a candidate for appointment to elective office. Mayor Carter announced the meeting would last 30 minutes. The meeting began at 6:04 p.m.

City Administrator Vodopich announced that Council requested a 10-minute continuation at 6:34 p.m., and the session concluded at 6:44 p.m.

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- C. Discussion Regarding Council Vacancy:**

Mayor Carter asked if there were any additional nominations from Council. With there being no additional nominations, Mayor Carter started the voting in the order the candidates were nominated.

Nominee Teresa Caron received three votes for and three votes against.

Nominee Jessie Lovett received three votes for and three votes against.

Nominee Chris Blanco received three votes for and three votes against.

Nominee Aaron Davis received five votes for and one vote against being Councilmember Fullerton.

Mayor Carter announced Aaron Davis as the new City Councilmember. He then thanked all the candidates for their time and effort they put into the process.

Councilmember Baldwin reminded the candidates who were not appointed that there is an opening on the Planning Commission.

Mayor Carter gave newly appointed Councilmember Aaron Davis his oath of office and asked him to please take his seat with the other Councilmembers.

Councilmember Baldwin motioned for agenda item AB24-33 to be tabled due to the amount of time needed to present it. Deputy Mayor Swatman seconded the motion.

Interim Public Services Director Sullivan explained that if the item was tabled, it would need to be brought back and with the schedule already having a large item on the agenda for the 2024 and will prevent other discussions being made until this one is brought forward.

After Council discussion, Councilmember Baldwin rescinded her motion.

**IV. AGENDA ITEMS:**

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6:55

**A. Presentations: Allan Yorke Park Ballfield 5 Playground.**

City Engineer Gill and Assistant to the City Administrator Harris presented the Allan Yorke Park Ballfield 5 Playground. They presented a brief history, the installation location and cost of the playground project.

Council discussed and shared their ideas and concerns, including:

- The high cost involved to install the equipment.
- Is there a better way to make the project ADA compliant.
- What is the difference between tiles and woodchips.
- For future projects would like to see more of a Private/Public partnership.

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**B. Review of Council Minutes:** April 2, 2024, City Council Workshop and April 9, 2024, City Council Meeting.

The draft minutes were forwarded with corrections to the April 23, 2024, Meeting for approval.

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7:11

**C. Council Open Discussion.**

*Deputy Mayor Swatman:*

West Tapps Maintenance Company Home Owners Association: Deputy Mayor Swatman stated the HOA has a significant amount of funds available for sewer. Should the City be involved on how the money is spent since we are the sewer provider.

*Councilmember McClimans:*

Council Vacancies: Councilmember McClimans would like to add procedures for vacancy to an upcoming workshop agenda. He feels there needs to be a revised process in place before the next vacancy.

Deputy Mayor Swatman would like to have a few Councilmembers work together to come up with some ideas to revise our process.

*Mayor Carter:*

Community Summit: Mayor Carter reminded Council that the Community Summit is coming up on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Doors open at 3:45 p.m. at Calgary Church in Sumner. The Sumner Mayor has challenged the City of Bonney Lake to a hygiene's challenge. The city that collects the most hygiene items will win the contest. More information will be posted on social media about the contest.

City Clerk Schaneman stated a notice has already gone out stating there is a possibility of a quorum at the Community Summit event. She also commented that

the All Washington Cities(AWC) conference registration has opened and if any Councilmembers plan on attending to let her know immediately because hotel rooms will fill up fast.

*Councilmember Fullerton:*

Water Leak: Councilmember Fullerton received an email from a citizen in regards to a water meter leak that was out by the meter. That bill was denied a refund. She was wondering if Council could get more information on the issue.

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**D. Discussion/Action: AB24-29 – Motion M24-29 – A Motion Of the City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington. Authorizing The Mayor To Sign A Labor Agreement With The Assistant Police Chiefs Guild Representing the Assistant Chiefs From January 1, 2024, Through December 31, 2026.**

1. Discussion.

City Administrator Vodopich explained the changes to the contract are in red and underlined. The biggest change is the Cost-Of-Living Adjustment (COLA), the contract states the COLAs as 8.5% for 2024, 4.5% in 2025 and 2.5% in 2026.

2. Citizen Comments.

Mayor Carter opened citizen comments, reminding citizens they can address Council only on Motion 24-29.

Dan Decker, 20401 70th St E, Bonney Lake: Congratulated the new Councilmember on his appointment.

3. Action

**Councilmember Hubler moved to approve M24-29. Deputy Mayor Swatman seconded the motion.**

**Motion M24-29 approved 7 – 0.**

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**E. Discussion: AB24-33 – Motion M24-33 – Land Capacity Analysis And Growth Alternatives (Comprehensive Plan Update).**

1. Discussion.

Interim Public Services Director Sullivan presented the project timeline, explained income bands and Council was given two options to direct staff.

Council discussed and shared their ideas and concerns, including:

- What type of development is allowed in an R-1 zone.
- What happens if the Tarragon agreement expires.

- The differences between a townhome and a duplex.

There was Council consensus to place the item with option 2 for action on the next Council agenda under Full Council Issues.

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**F. Discussion: AB24-28 – Resolution R24-28** – A Resolution Of The City Council Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing The Mayor To Sign A Contract With Pierce County Security. Inc. To Provide Security Officers At Allan Yorke Park In 2024.

1. Discussion.

There was no Council discussion.

2. Citizen Comments.

Mayor Carter opened citizen comments, reminding citizens they can address Council only on Resolution 24-28.

No citizen comments received.

3. Action

**Deputy Mayor Swatman moved to approve R24-28. Councilmember Hubler seconded the motion.**

**Resolution R24-28 approved 7 – 0.**

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**V. EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION:** None.

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**VI. ADJOURNMENT:**

**At 8:20 p.m. the Meeting was adjourned by Mayor Carter with the common consent of the City Council.**

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Sadie A. Schaneman, City Clerk

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Terry Carter, Mayor

Items presented to Council at the April 16, 2024, Workshop: None.

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