

SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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Tuesday, June 6, 2023

2:00 PM

Council Chamber, City Hall

600 4th Avenue

Seattle, WA 98104

City Council

Debora Juarez, Council President

Lisa Herbold, Member

Andrew J. Lewis, Member

Tammy J. Morales, Member

Teresa Mosqueda, Member

Sara Nelson, Member

Alex Pedersen, Member

Kshama Sawant, Member

Dan Strauss, Member

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A. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of The City of Seattle met in the Council Chamber in Seattle, Washington, on June 6, 2023, pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter. The meeting was called to order at 2:06 p.m., with Council President Juarez presiding.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Juarez, Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

C. PRESENTATIONS

There were none.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

By unanimous consent, the Council Rules were suspended to provide a 60 minute Public Comment period.

The following individuals addressed the Council:

Kate Rubin
Howard Gale
BJ Last
Kody Zalewski
Zachary Kirshbaum
Sara Robbins
Ben Sercombe
Michael Mellini
Tatiana Quintana
Taylor Riley
Aedan McCall
Randy Bannecker
Alice Lockhart
Jodie Nathan
Alex Fay
Camille Gix
David Haines
Joey Smith
Julia Buck
Kylie Rolf
Bradley Dosch
Linnea May
Rachel Rourke
Drew Batchelor
Mariam Hale
Jess Wallach
Katie Jendrey
Eileen McCann
Anita Khandelwal
Malika Lamont
Deaunte Damper
Tony Radovich
Rev. Harriet Walden
Jesus H. Christ
Colin J. Lamb
Emily Greenberg
Adam Kendall
Alison Eisinger

Ray Armstrong
Rachel Scott
Teresa Lamb
Amber Casey
Jade Weise
George Aztem
Mary Paterson
Carra Wetzel Chubb
Ash woods
Alexander Schreiber-Heinz
Angelica Chzaio
Jody Rauch
E. Bailey Metilo
Josie Tracy
Gabriel de los Angeles
Jon Grant
Isaac Miller
Mike Asai
Michael Wilmarth
Lilly Hayward
Howard Greenwich
Erika Rusher
Courteney Wettermann
Aidan Carroll
Reed Olsen
Kevin Vitz-Wong
Griffin Bird
Jordan Vestal
Joe Kunzler
Peter Condit
Matt Offenbacker
Annet Klapstein
Zoe Fanning
Christian Wise
Molly Gilbert
Austin Field
Marguerite Richard
Preston Sahabu
Elan Dustillos
Victoria Palmer
Ly Huynh

At 3:52 p.m., the City Council recessed until 3:57 p.m.

At 3:57 p.m., the City Council came back to order.

Present: 8 - Juarez, Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Sawant, Strauss

Late Arrival: 1 - Pedersen

By unanimous consent, the Council Rules were suspended to extend the Public Comment period to allow the remaining speakers to address the Council.

The following individuals addressed the Council:

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Councilmember Pedersen joined the meeting at 4:01 p.m.

Meagan Murphy
Andrew Ashiofu
Renaissance Michael Moynihan
Brandon Davis
Katelyn Mullikin
Tye Reed
Naquel Walker
Henry Keene
Liletha
Jenna
Eva Owens
Monty Anderson

E. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR:

[IRC 396](#)

June 6, 2023

Motion was made, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the Introduction & Referral Calendar (IRC) by the following vote:

In Favor: 9 - Juarez, Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion was made, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the proposed Agenda.

G. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion was made, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the Consent Calendar.

Journal:**1. [Min 430](#) May 30, 2023**

The item was adopted on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Minutes:(Min):

In Favor: 9 - Juarez, Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

Bills:**2. [CB 120589](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of May 22, 2023 through May 26, 2023 and ordering the payment thereof; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

The item was passed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill:

In Favor: 9 - Juarez, Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

Appointments:**SUSTAINABILITY AND RENTERS' RIGHTS COMMITTEE:**

- 3. [Appt 02576](#) **Appointment of Kate Rubin as member, Seattle Renters' Commission, for a term to February 28, 2025.**

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 3 - Sawant, Lewis, Morales

Opposed: None

The item was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 9 - Juarez, Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

- 4. [Appt 02577](#) **Appointment of Julissa Sanchez as member, Seattle Renters' Commission, for a term to February 28, 2025.**

The Committee recommends that City Council confirm the Appointment (Appt).

In Favor: 3 - Sawant, Lewis, Morales

Opposed: None

The item was confirmed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

In Favor: 9 - Juarez, Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

H. COMMITTEE REPORTS

CITY COUNCIL:

1. [CB 120586](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to controlled substances; adding the crimes of possession of a controlled substance and use of a controlled substance in a public place; and amending Section 12A.09.020 of the Seattle Municipal Code.**

ACTION 1:

Motion was made by Councilmember Juarez and duly seconded, to pass Council Bill 120586.

ACTION 2:

Motion was made by Councilmember Strauss, duly seconded and carried, to amend Council Bill 120586, by adding a new 6th recital as shown in the underlined language below:

WHEREAS, 2E2SSB 5536 amends RCW 69.50.4013 to state that “[t]he prosecutor is encouraged to divert such cases for assessment, treatment, or other services;” and that “[i]n lieu of jail booking and referral to the prosecutor, law enforcement is encouraged to offer a referral to assessment and services available under RCW 10.31.110 or other program or entity responsible for receiving referrals in lieu of legal system involvement, which may include, but are not limited to, arrest and jail alternative programs established under RCW 36.28A.450, law enforcement assisted diversion programs established under RCW 8 71.24.589, and the recovery navigator program established under RCW 9 71.24.115;” and

ACTION 3:

Motion was made and duly seconded to pass Council Bill 120586 as amended.

The Motion failed, and the Bill did not pass by the following vote:

In Favor: 4 - Juarez, Nelson, Pedersen, Strauss

Opposed: 5 - Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Sawant

I. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

There were none.

J. ADOPTION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS

There were none.

K. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

L. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

Jodee Schwinn, Deputy City Clerk

Signed by me in Open Session, upon approval of the Council, on June 13, 2023.

Debora Juarez, Council President of the City Council

Anne Frantilla, Interim City Clerk