

# SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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Seattle, WA 98104



## Journal of the Proceedings of the Seattle City Council

Wednesday, July 5, 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*

*Chair Info: 206-684-8805; [Debora.Juarez@seattle.gov](mailto:Debora.Juarez@seattle.gov)*

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The City Council of The City of Seattle met in the Council Chamber in Seattle, Washington, on July 5, 2023, pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter. The meeting was called to order at 2:01 p.m., with Council President Pro Tem Mosqueda presiding.

**B. ROLL CALL**

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

**Excused:** 1 - Juarez

Motion was made, duly seconded and carried, to excuse Council President Juarez from the July 5, 2023 City Council meeting.

**C. PRESENTATIONS**

There were none.

**D. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following individuals addressed the Council:

Megan Kruse  
Slayman Appadolo  
David Haines  
Carolyn Malone  
Ryan Donohue

**E. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR:**

[IRC 400](#)      **July 5, 2023**

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

**In Favor:** 8 - 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 434](#) June 27, 2023**

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

**In Favor:** 8 - Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

**Opposed:** None

**Bills:****2. [CB 120607](#) AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of June 19, 2023 through June 23, 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 CB):**

**In Favor:** 8 - Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

**Opposed:** None

**H. COMMITTEE REPORTS****ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TECHNOLOGY, AND CITY LIGHT COMMITTEE:**

1. [CB 120594](#) **AN ORDINANCE** relating to underground utility districts; authorizing the City Light Department to evaluate the risks presented by overhead facilities on streets and alleys in the First Hill district and to determine, based upon the Department's engineering standards, whether electric facilities should be undergrounded and whether to dispose of remaining utility poles; and amending Sections 21.68.070, 21.68.090, and 21.68.100 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

The Committee recommends that City Council pass the Council Bill (CB).

In Favor: 5 - Nelson, Juarez, Herbold, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):

In Favor: 8 - Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

2. [Res 32095](#) **A RESOLUTION** authorizing commencement of cable franchise contract renewal proceedings in accordance with the provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 546 and written request from Comcast Cable Communications Management, LLC.

The Committee recommends that City Council adopt the Resolution (Res).

In Favor: 5 - Nelson, Juarez, Herbold, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

The Resolution (Res) was adopted by the following vote, and the President signed the Resolution (Res):

In Favor: 8 - Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

**LAND USE COMMITTEE:**

3. [CB 120581](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to Design Review for affordable housing; adopting temporary regulations to exempt housing projects that meet Mandatory Housing Affordability requirements using on-site performance units from Design Review, and allowing permit applicants for all housing subject to Full Design Review the option of complying with Design Review pursuant to Administrative Design review; amending Section 23.41.004 of the Seattle Municipal Code; and adopting a work plan.**

**The Committee recommends that City Council pass as amended the Council Bill (CB).**

**In Favor: 2 - Nelson, Pedersen**

**Opposed: 1 - Strauss**

**Abstain: 1 - Morales**

**The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):**

**In Favor:** 6 - Herbold, Lewis, Mosqueda, Nelson, Pedersen, Strauss

**Opposed:** 2 - Morales, Sawant

4. [CB 120591](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and zoning; correcting typographical and other technical errors, correcting section references, and clarifying regulations in sections that relate or may apply to low-income housing and other developments with units subject to affordability restrictions; amending, adopting new, and repealing obsolete defined terms relating to affordability of and eligibility to reside in certain housing; increase consistency and clarity of provisions that relate to low-income housing and restricted units; amending a limited number of provisions, including applicability of design review and authorization to request waiver or modification of certain development standards, to facilitate development of low-income housing; amending the title of Sections 23.44.019, 23.45.550, 23.47A.040, 23.48.100, and 23.49.007, amending Sections 22.900G.015, 23.34.012, 23.34.020, 23.41.004, 23.42.055, 23.42.057, 23.42.070, 23.44.024, 23.44.034, 23.44.041, 23.45.510, 23.45.512, 23.45.516, 23.47A.004, 23.47A.005, 23.47A.013, 23.48.005, 23.48.020, 23.48.232, 23.48.605, 23.48.920, 23.49.008, 23.49.010, 23.49.012, 23.49.014, 23.49.023, 23.49.037, 23.49.041, 23.49.058, 23.49.164, 23.49.180, 23.54.015, 23.58A.002, 23.58A.003, 23.58A.004, 23.58A.014, 23.58A.024, 23.58A.042, 23.58B.010, 23.58B.020, 23.58B.025, 23.58B.040, 23.58B.050, 23.58B.060, 23.58C.020, 23.58C.025, 23.58C.030, 23.58C.040, 23.58C.050, 23.66.100, 23.66.310, 23.70.008, 23.70.010, 23.72.002, 23.72.010, 23.73.010, 23.73.016, 23.75.020, 23.75.085, 23.76.032, 23.76.060, 23.84A.002, 23.84A.016, 23.84A.024, 23.84A.025, 23.84A.030, 23.84A.032, 23.84A.038, 23.84A.040, and 23.86.007, and repealing Sections 23.49.015 and 23.49.181 of the Seattle Municipal Code.**

**The Committee recommends that City Council pass the Council Bill (CB).**

**In Favor: 4 - Strauss, Morales, Nelson, Pedersen**

**Opposed: None**

**The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):**

**In Favor: 8 - Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss**

**Opposed: None**

5. [CB 120582](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to land use and zoning; removing regulatory barriers and simplifying and increasing permitting predictability for equitable development projects by modifying requirements for small institutions in residential zones; and amending Sections 23.44.006, 23.44.022, 23.45.570, 23.54.015, and 23.84A.018 of the Seattle Municipal Code.**

**The Committee recommends that City Council pass the Council Bill (CB).**

**In Favor: 4 - Strauss, Morales, Nelson, Pedersen**

**Opposed: None**

**The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote, and the President signed the Council Bill (CB):**

**In Favor: 8 - Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss**

**Opposed: None**

**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 2:43 p.m.

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**Linda Barron, Deputy City Clerk**

**Signed by me in Open Session, upon approval of the Council, on July 11, 2023.**

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**Debora Juarez, Council President of the City Council**

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**Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk**