

SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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Tuesday, October 8, 2024

2:00 PM

Council Chamber, City Hall
600 4th Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

City Council

Sara Nelson, Council President

Joy Hollingsworth, Member

Robert Kettle, Member

Cathy Moore, Member

Tammy J. Morales, Member

Maritza Rivera, Member

Rob Saka, Member

Dan Strauss, Member

Tanya Woo, Member

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A. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of The City of Seattle met in the Council Chamber in City Hall in Seattle, Washington, on October 8, 2024, pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter. The meeting was called to order at 2:01 p.m., with Council President Nelson presiding.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Excused: 1 - Hollingsworth

Late Arrival: 1 - Rivera

C. PRESENTATIONS

Councilmember Rivera entered the Council Chamber.

Councilmember Hollingsworth presented a Proclamation proclaiming October 10, 2024, to be Black Brewers Day 2024. By unanimous consent, the Rules were suspended to allow Councilmember Hollingsworth to present the Proclamation, and to allow Rodney Hines, CEO of Metier Brewing Co., and James Dixon of 23rd Ave Brewery, to address the Council.

Councilmember Moore presented a Proclamation proclaiming October 2024 to be Domestic Violence Awareness Month. By unanimous consent, the Rules were suspended to allow Councilmember Hollingsworth to present the Proclamation, and to allow Norma Guzman of Consejo Counseling and Referral Service, and Judith Panlasigui, from the Mayor's Office section on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, address the Council.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals addressed the Council:

Bennett Haselton

Graciela Lange

Jared Essig ben Noah

Rene Peters

Robin Briggs

Annemarie Dooley

Julie Renick

Ashley Barber

Bethany Burton

Scott Dezell

Peter Condit

Iris Antman

Deepa Sivarajan

Drew Batchelor

Ella Shahn

Alice Lockhart

Keith Weir

Joe Kunzler

David Haines

Kerry Meade

Cynthia Spieger

Ashton Hope

Gabriel Jones

Michael Ericson

Jay Yanamura

Gary Lee

Matt Offenbacher

Amarinthia Torres

James Stewart

Russ Saunders

Arianna Riley

Diedre Haines

Nina Olivier

Nancy Henderson

Lila B.

Steve Autio

Margaret Spitznas

Lilly Hayward

Charlotte Starck

Nancy Hirsh

Alex Tsimerman

Shane Clary

Mike Gain

Mark White

Aidan Carroll
Alberto Alvarez
Tee Sannon
Phil Mocek

Councilmembers Moore and Rivera exited the Council Chamber.

E. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR:

[IRC 454](#) **October 8, 2024**

By unanimous consent, the Introduction & Referral Calendar (IRC) was adopted.

In Favor: 8 - Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Opposed: None

F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

By unanimous consent, the Agenda was adopted.

G. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion was made by Council President Nelson, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the Consent Calendar.

Journal:

1. [Min 489](#) **September 17, 2024**

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

In Favor: 6 - Kettle, Morales, Nelson, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 2 - Moore, Rivera

2. [Min 490](#) **September 19, 2024**

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

In Favor: 6 - Kettle, Morales, Nelson, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 2 - Moore, Rivera

3. [Min 491](#) **September 24, 2024**

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

In Favor: 6 - Kettle, Morales, Nelson, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 2 - Moore, Rivera

Bills:

4. [CB 120866](#) **AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of September 16, 2024, through September 20, 2024, and ordering the payment thereof; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

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

In Favor: 6 - Kettle, Morales, Nelson, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 2 - Moore, Rivera

5. [CB 120867](#) **AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of September 23, 2024, through September 27, 2024, and ordering the payment thereof; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

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

In Favor: 6 - Kettle, Morales, Nelson, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 2 - Moore, Rivera

H. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Rivera returned to the Council Chamber.

CITY COUNCIL:

1. [Res 32147](#) **A RESOLUTION relating to the City Light Department; recording review of and adopting the City Light Department's wildfire mitigation plan.**

Motion was made by Council President Nelson and duly seconded to adopt Resolution 32147.

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

In Favor: 7 - Kettle, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Moore

**GOVERNANCE, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE:**

2. [CB 120862](#) **AN ORDINANCE related to recruitment and retention of police officers in the Seattle Police Department; making permanent a hiring incentives program in the Seattle Police Department; and amending Ordinance 126654.**

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

**In Favor: 5 - Nelson, Kettle, Hollingsworth, Rivera, Saka
Opposed: None**

Motion was made by Council President Nelson and duly seconded to amend Council Bill 120862, Section 1.B., as shown in the underlined and strike through language below:

B. Half of the hiring incentive will be paid in the first paycheck and the second half upon completion of any probationary period (~~established~~) required by the Public Safety Civil Service Rules (~~or SPD~~).

The Motion carried by the following vote:

In Favor: 7 - Kettle, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Moore

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

In Favor: 6 - Kettle, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Opposed: 1 - Morales

Absent(NV): 1 - Moore

LAND USE COMMITTEE:

Councilmember Moore returned to the Chamber.

3. [CB 120832](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle’s construction codes; adopting the Seattle Boiler Code, Building Code, Electrical Code, Energy Code, Existing Building Code, Fuel Gas Code, Mechanical Code, Plumbing Code, and Residential Code and chapters of the Washington Administrative Code by reference, amending certain chapters of those codes, and adopting new chapters for those codes; amending Sections 3.06.030, 5.73.020, 11.60.690, 22.101.010, and 22.502.016 of the Seattle Municipal Code; and repealing Section 1 of Ordinance 126278, Ordinance 126279, Ordinance 126358, and Ordinance 126508.**

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

In Favor: 2 - Morales, Strauss

Opposed: None

Abstain: 2 - Rivera, Woo

Motion was made by Council President Nelson, duly seconded and carried, to amend Council Bill 120832, by adding a Recital, new Section 10, and renumbering remaining sections accordingly, as shown in the underlined and strike through language below:

1. Recital:

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle seeks to balance housing affordability with the benefits of reduced greenhouse gas emissions and increased energy efficiency when updating the Seattle Energy Code; NOW, THEREFORE,

2. New Section 10 and renumbering section numbers:

Section 10. When considering additional code requirements that depart from the Washington State Energy Code, the Executive shall develop a process that includes a cost-effectiveness analysis, using the same methodology as the State, informed by input from a new task force that includes, but is not limited to, non-profit and market rate housing developers.

~~Section 11.~~ Section 4 of this ordinance shall take effect on November 15, 2024.

~~Section 12.~~ This ordinance shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Sections 1.04.020 and 1.04.070.

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

In Favor: 8 - Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Opposed: None

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

4. [CB 120839](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle’s technical codes; adopting the Seattle Fire Code by adopting chapters of the 2021 International Fire Code by reference, amending certain chapters of the Code, and adopting new chapters for the Code; amending Sections 3.02.125 and 22.600.020 of the Seattle Municipal Code; repealing Section 1 of Ordinance 126283 and Sections 2 and 3 of Ordinance 127037; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

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

In Favor: 3 - Kettle, Saka, Hollingsworth

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 8 - Kettle, Moore, Morales, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Opposed: None

5. [CB 120844](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to surveillance technology implementation; authorizing approval of uses and accepting the 2024 surveillance impact report and 2024 executive overview for the Seattle Police Department's use of Closed-Circuit Television Camera Systems; amending Ordinance 126955, which adopted the 2024 budget; and lifting a proviso.**

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

In Favor: 5 - Kettle, Saka, Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson

Opposed: None

ACTION 1:

Motion was made by Councilmember Moore, duly seconded and carried, to amend Council Bill 120844, Section 4 and by adding a new Section 6, as shown in the underlined and strike through language below:

Amended Section 4.:

Section 4. The Seattle Police Department shall not disclose Closed-Circuit Television Camera data in response to a records request made under the Public Records Act (chapter 42.56 RCW), or otherwise publicly disclose Closed-Circuit Television Camera data, in a manner inconsistent with SPD protocols governing redactions, including protections for victims of crime, minors, and health care facilities ~~((contained in the Public Records Act and existing Seattle Police Department protocols governing body worn video redactions))~~, unless required to do so by court order or applicable law. The Seattle Police Department's legal counsel shall promptly notify the City Council's legislative legal counsel of any such court order or applicable law.

New Section 6:

Section 6. The Seattle Police Department shall report to the Public Safety Committee or successor committee, by December 31 of each year beginning in 2025, the number of subpoenas, warrants, and public disclosure requests for Closed-Circuit Television Camera data received during that year, the status of these data requests or orders, and the number and originating jurisdictions of these requests or orders from outside of Washington State, to the extent the relevant jurisdiction can be determined.

ACTION 2:

Motion was made by Councilmember Moore, duly seconded and carried, to amend Council Bill 120844, by adding a new seventh Recital, as shown in the underlined language below:

WHEREAS, the City of Seattle is committed to preserving protected free speech and expression throughout the deployment of surveillance technology, and the Council supports the development of an omnibus surveillance technology policy addressing technologies including Closed-Circuit Television Systems; and

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

In Favor: 7 - Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Opposed: 1 - Morales

6. [CB 120845](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to surveillance technology implementation; and authorizing approval of uses and accepting the 2024 surveillance impact report and 2024 executive overview for the Seattle Police Department's use of Real-Time Crime Center software.**

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

In Favor: 5 - Kettle, Saka, Hollingsworth, Moore, Nelson

Opposed: None

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

In Favor: 7 - Kettle, Moore, Nelson, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Opposed: 1 - Morales

I. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

J. ADOPTION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS*

7. [Res 32149](#) **A RESOLUTION expressing the Mayor and City Council's opposition to Washington State ballot Initiative 2117 concerning carbon tax credit trading.**

ACTION 1:

Motion was made by Council President Nelson and duly seconded to adopt Resolution 32149.

ACTION 2:

PUBLIC COMMENT ON RESOLUTION 32149

In accordance with Revised Code of Washington 42.17A.555, and Seattle Municipal Code 2.04.300, Council President Nelson provided the public an opportunity to speak in support of or in opposition to Resolution 32149. The following individuals addressed the Council:

Gabriel Jones
Robin Briggs
Aidan Carroll

Public Comment on Resolution 32149 was closed.

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

In Favor: 7 - Kettle, Moore, Morales, Rivera, Saka, Strauss, Woo

Opposed: None

Abstain: 1 - Nelson

K. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

L. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 5:04 p.m., Council President Nelson announced that the Council would convene in Executive Session to discuss pending, potential, or actual litigation with an estimated end time of 6:04 p.m. The Executive Session concluded at 5:19 p.m.

M. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:19 p.m.

Emilia M. Sanchez, Deputy City Clerk

Signed by me in Open Session, upon approval of the Council, on October 29, 2024.

Sara Nelson, Council President of the City Council