

SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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Seattle, WA 98104



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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

A. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of The City of Seattle met in the Council Chamber in City Hall in Seattle, Washington, on November 21, 2023, pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter. The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m., with Council President Juarez presiding.

B. ROLL CALL

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

C. PRESENTATIONS

There was none.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals addressed the Council:

Emily Mcarther
Natalie Bailey
Rizwan Samad
Cliff Cawthorn
Joan Wright
Logan Swan
Shirley Henderson
Jamil Suleman
Iskandar
Sonja Ponath
James Brumbaugh
Preston Sahabu
Maddi Danics
Lana Blinderman
Raghav Kaushik
Tom Barnard
Joe Sugrue
Enosh Cohen
Mohammed Ansari
Shubun Kukarbun
Jeremy Voss
Bobn Barnes
Eva Metz
Andrew Menday
Alex Olsen
Nshan Burns
Dominic Wolfgang Wallace
Karl Dyer
Mehraj Baig
Brandon Ang
Mohammed Khalilia
Matt Brady
Hannah Swoboda
Leah Vu
Elyan Hammond
Laila Altazzi
Randa Tawil
Yasmeen Erritouni
Dennis Sills
Xoe amer
Brady Nordstrom
Jennifer Ives

Barbara Phinney
Sujatha Ramni
Jared Maddox
Joe Kunzler
Linnea May
Aneelah Afzali
Greg Smith
Lindsey Lozoskie
Ahmed Mustafa
Noah An
Khan Hasan
Ian Warner
Abby Brockman
Miri Cypers
Colin Christopher
Sarah James
Endrias
Zachary Zimmerman
Sabrene Odeh
Jesse Roth
Reza Marashi
Audrey Covner
Murtaza Hakimi
Robert Singleton
Starr Parker
Iman Ayyeh
Deborah Nemens
Sinsath Shameer
Hammad Hashmi
Noah Schwartz
Anfal Jneidi
Saliha Hacibektasoglu
Mohamed Nassar
Cari Conklin
McKenna Parnes

E. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR:

[IRC 414](#) **November 21, 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

ACTION 1:

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

ACTION 2:

Motion was made by Councilmember Sawant to amend the proposed Agenda by moving Agenda item 10, Resolution 32118, before item 1, Council Bill 120635.

Resolution 32118, A RESOLUTION condemning the Israeli military assault on the people of Gaza; urging an immediate ceasefire, humanitarian aid, an exchange of hostages, and an end to the occupation of Palestinian lands; affirming opposition to Islamophobia and anti-Semitism; and urging the U.S. Congress to end all military funding to Israel.

ACTION 3:

The Motion failed for lack of a second.

ACTION 4:

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

At 4:07 p.m., the City Council meeting recessed for five minutes.

At 4:15 p.m., the City Council meeting was called back to order.

G. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

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

Journal:

[Min 448](#) **November 7, 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:

1. [CB 120710](#) **AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of October 30, 2023 through November 03, 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

2. [CB 120711](#) **AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain claims for the week of November 6, 2023 through November 10, 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

3. [CB 120700](#) **AN ORDINANCE** relating to acceptance of funding from non-City sources; authorizing the heads of various departments to accept and authorize the expenditure of specified grants, private funding, and subsidized loans and to execute, deliver, and perform corresponding agreements; amending Ordinance 126725, which adopted the 2023 Budget, including the 2023-2028 Capital Improvement Program (CIP); changing appropriations to various departments and budget control levels, and from various funds in the Budget; revising project allocations for certain projects in the 2023-2028 CIP; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

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

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

Opposed: None

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

4. [CB 120705](#) **AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance 126725, which adopted the 2023 Budget, including the 2023-2028 Capital Improvement Program (CIP); changing appropriations to various departments and budget control levels, and from various funds in the Budget; revising project allocations for certain projects in the 2023-2028 CIP; creating CIP Projects; creating positions; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts; all by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

5. [CB 120679](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to funding from non-City sources; authorizing department directors to accept grants, enter into revenue-backed service contracts, and carry forward related appropriations.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

6. [CB 120688](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to City finances; creating a fund for depositing settlement proceeds related to opioid manufacturing, distribution, and dispensing; creating a Budget Summary Level; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

7. [CB 120689](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to deductions from the payroll expense tax; extending an existing deduction for non-profit healthcare entities and making the deduction subject to increases that account for inflation; and amending Sections 5.38.045 and 5.38.070 of the Seattle Municipal Code.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

8. [CB 120704](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to Proposition 1 as approved by Seattle voters in the 2020 general election; authorizing material scope changes to increase the share of Proposition 1 dollars that can be spent on transit capital projects intended to maximize operating efficiency of transit service purchased with Proposition 1 revenues.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

9. [CB 120707](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to the organization of City government; renaming the Community Safety and Communications Center to the Community Assisted Response and Engagement Department; requesting that the Code Reviser revise the Seattle Municipal Code accordingly; and amending Sections 3.15.060 and 3.15.062 of the Seattle Municipal Code.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

10. [CB 120684](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to the electric system of The City of Seattle; adopting a system or plan of additions and betterments to and extensions of the existing municipal light and electric power generation, transmission, and distribution system of the City; authorizing the issuance and sale of municipal light and power revenue bonds for the purposes of providing funds to pay part of the cost of carrying out that system or plan, providing for the reserve fund requirement (if necessary), and paying the costs of issuance of the bonds; providing parameters for the Bond Sale Terms including conditions, covenants, and other sale terms; describing the lien of the bonds and authorizing their issuance as either senior lien parity bonds or junior lien bonds; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

11. [CB 120685](#) **AN ORDINANCE** relating to the electric system of The City of Seattle; amending Ordinance 125460, as amended by Ordinance 125987, to incorporate, ratify, and confirm certain contingent amendments thereto that were to become effective upon the occurrence of certain events that have since occurred and making certain other technical amendments; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

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

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

Opposed: None

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

12. [CB 120702](#) **AN ORDINANCE** relating to taxation; defining the sourcing of gross income arising from the activities of printing, and publishing newspapers, periodicals, or magazines; and modifying, effective January 1, 2024, the definition of printing, and publishing newspapers, periodicals, or magazines in accordance with ESS2B 5199 (2023); and amending Section 5.45.081 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

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

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

Opposed: None

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

13. [CB 120686](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to the drainage and wastewater system of The City of Seattle; adopting a system or plan of additions and betterments to and extensions of the existing drainage and wastewater system; authorizing the issuance and sale of drainage and wastewater revenue bonds in one or more series for the purposes of paying part of the cost of carrying out that system or plan, providing for the reserve requirement, and paying the costs of issuance of the bonds; providing parameters for the bond sale terms including conditions, covenants, and other sale terms; describing the lien of those bonds; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

14. [CB 120687](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to the municipal water system of The City of Seattle; amending Ordinance 126716 to increase the authorized principal amount of municipal water system revenue bonds to be issued for the purposes of paying all or part of the cost of carrying out the system or plan of additions and betterments to and extensions of the existing municipal water system; extending the initial authorization date for those bonds; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

15. [CB 120703](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to affordable housing; amending Ordinance 126258 to authorize forgiveness of a loan to Community Roots Housing.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

16. [CB 120691](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to the financing of the Central Waterfront Improvement Program; amending Ordinance 123761 to extend the duration of the existing interfund loan to the Central Waterfront Improvement Fund; and increasing the amount of the existing interfund loan.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

17. [CB 120680](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to fees and charges for permits and activities of the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections, related fees by other departments, and technical corrections; adding a new Chapter 22.900I to the Seattle Municipal Code; and amending Sections 22.210.060, 22.900A.010, 22.900A.020, 22.900A.065, 22.900B.010, 22.900B.020, 22.900C.010, 22.900D.010, 22.900D.110, 22.900D.140, 22.900D.160, 22.900E.020, 22.900E.030, 22.900E.050, 22.900F.010, 22.900H.020, 22.900H.050, 22.900H.060, and 22.900H.080 of the Seattle Municipal Code.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

18. [CB 120681](#) **AN ORDINANCE** relating to the Seattle Fire Department’s services and fees; adding, deleting, and revising various Seattle Fire Department permit, inspection, and development-related fees and related provisions; and amending Sections 22.602.045, 22.602.070, and 22.900G.060 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

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

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

Opposed: None

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

19. [CB 120682](#) **AN ORDINANCE** relating to Seattle Parks and Recreation; establishing the 2024 fee schedule for the use of park properties and other park and recreation facilities and services; and superseding previous park and recreation fee schedules.

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

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

Opposed: None

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

20. [CB 120690](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle Parks and Recreation; authorizing an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement between The City of Seattle and the Seattle Park District.**

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

In Favor: 9 - Mosqueda, Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Nelson, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss
Opposed: None

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

Resolution:

21. [Res 32115](#) **A RESOLUTION approving interest rates set by the Seattle City Employees' Retirement System (SCERS) Board of Administration for 2024.**

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

In Favor: 9 - Mosqueda, Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Nelson, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss
Opposed: None

This item was adopted on the Consent Calendar by the following vote, and the President signed the Resolution (Res):

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

Opposed: None

Clerk Files:

22. [CF 314529](#) **City Council Changes to the 2024 Proposed Budget and the 2024 - 2029 Capital Improvement Program.**

The Committee recommends that City Council approve the Clerk File (CF).

**In Favor: 9 - Mosqueda, Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Nelson, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss
Opposed: None**

This item was approved and filed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

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

Opposed: None

23. [CF 314528](#) **2024 - 2029 Proposed Capital Improvement Program.**

The Committee recommends that City Council file the Clerk File (CF).

**In Favor: 9 - Mosqueda, Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Nelson, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss
Opposed: None**

This item was filed on the Consent Calendar by the following vote:

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

Opposed: None

24. [CF 314527](#) **2023 - 2024 Proposed Mid-Biennial Budget Adjustments.**

The Committee recommends that City Council file the Clerk File (CF).

**In Favor: 9 - Mosqueda, Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Nelson, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss
Opposed: None**

This item was filed 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 120635](#) **AN ORDINANCE amending the Seattle Comprehensive Plan to incorporate changes related to a transportation impact fee program proposed as part of the 2022-2023 Comprehensive Plan annual amendment process.**

The Council Bill (CB) was discussed in Committee.

ACTION 1:

Motion was made and duly seconded to pass Council Bill 120635.

ACTION 2:

Motion was made by Councilmember Herbold, duly seconded and carried, to amend Council Bill 120635, Attachment 1, Transportation Funding Policies T10.7, as shown in the underlined and strike through language below:

Transportation T10.7: (~~Consider use of~~) Use Consider use of transportation impact fees to help fund transportation system improvements needed to serve growth.

ACTION 3:

Motion was made and duly seconded to pass Council Bill 120635 as amended.

The Motion failed, and the Council Bill (CB) did not pass by the following vote:

In Favor: 4 - Juarez, Herbold, Pedersen, Sawant

Opposed: 5 - Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Strauss

SELECT BUDGET COMMITTEE:

2. [CB 120706](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to the regulation of network companies; imposing license and fee requirements on network companies; adding a new Chapter 6.700 to the Seattle Municipal Code; and amending Section 3.15.007 of the Seattle Municipal Code.**

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

In Favor: 7 - Mosqueda, Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: 2 - Nelson, Pedersen

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

In Favor: 7 - Juarez, Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: 2 - Nelson, Pedersen

3. [CB 120701](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Department of Transportation; amending Section 11.16.121 of the Seattle Municipal Code to set new limits on parking rates at parking payment devices.**

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

In Favor: 7 - Mosqueda, Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Nelson, Strauss

Opposed: 1 - Sawant

Abstain: 1 - Pedersen

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

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

Opposed: 1 - Sawant

4. [CB 120683](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to contracting indebtedness; authorizing and providing for the issuance and sale of limited tax general obligation bonds to pay or reimburse all or part of the costs of various elements of the City's capital improvement program and for other City purposes approved by ordinance and to pay the costs of issuance of the bonds; providing parameters for the bond sale terms including conditions, covenants, and other sale terms; creating the 2024 Multipurpose LTGO Bond Fund; amending Ordinance 123751 (as previously amended by Ordinances 124341 and 124637), Ordinance 124341, Ordinance 124637, Ordinance 124924 (as previously amended by Ordinance 125986), Ordinance 125456, Ordinance 125715 (as previously amended by Ordinance 125986), and Ordinance 126219 (as previously amended by Ordinances 126288 and 126479); and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

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

In Favor: 7 - Herbold, Juarez, Lewis, Morales, Nelson, Pedersen, Strauss

Opposed: None

Abstain: 2 - Mosqueda, Sawant

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

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

Opposed: None

5. [CB 119950](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to taxation; increasing the tax rates of the payroll expense tax imposed on persons engaging in business in Seattle; and amending Section 5.38.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code.**

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

In Favor: 5 - Mosqueda, Herbold, Juarez, Morales, Sawant

Opposed: 3 - Nelson, Pedersen, Strauss

Abstain: 1 - Lewis

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

In Favor: 6 - Juarez, Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Sawant

Opposed: 3 - Nelson, Pedersen, Strauss

6. [Res 32114](#) **A RESOLUTION amending Resolution 31334; establishing the City Council's intent to fund the Seattle City Employees' Retirement System as informed by the January 1, 2023 Actuarial Study.**

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

In Favor: 5 - Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Nelson, Pedersen

Opposed: 2 - Juarez, Strauss

Abstain: 2 - Mosqueda, Sawant

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

In Favor: 7 - Juarez, Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Nelson, Pedersen

Opposed: 2 - Sawant, Strauss

7. [CB 120708](#) **AN ORDINANCE adopting a budget, including a capital improvement program and position modifications, for The City of Seattle for 2024; and creating positions exempt from civil service; all by a 2/3 vote of the City Council.**

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

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

Opposed: 1 - Sawant

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

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

Opposed: 1 - Sawant

8. [CB 120693](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to the levy of property taxes; fixing the rates and/or amounts of taxes to be levied, and levying the same upon all taxable property, both real and personal, in The City of Seattle, to finance the departments and activities of City government and to provide for the general obligation bond interest and redemption requirements for the year beginning on the first day of January 2024; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

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

Opposed: None

9. [CB 120695](#) **AN ORDINANCE authorizing the levy of regular property taxes by The City of Seattle for collection in 2024, representing an increase above the regular property taxes levied for collection in 2023; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.**

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

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

Opposed: None

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

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

Opposed: None

I. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

J. ADOPTION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS

10. [Res 32118](#) **A RESOLUTION supporting a long-term ceasefire in Israel and occupied Palestine, the return of all hostages, and the delivery of humanitarian aid; and affirming opposition to Antisemitism and Islamophobia.**

ACTION 1:

Motion was made and duly seconded to adopt Resolution 32118.

ACTION 2:

Motion was made by Councilmember Mosqueda and duly seconded, to amend Resolution 32118 as presented on Attachment 1 to the Minutes.

ACTION 3:

Motion was made by Councilmember Sawant and duly seconded to further amend Action 2, Section 2, as presented in the underlined and strike through language below:

Section 2. The Seattle City Council requests the Office of Intergovernmental Relations to convey to Seattle's Congressional delegation its support for an immediate long-term ceasefire, the return of all hostages, ~~and~~ delivery of adequate humanitarian aid to the Palestinian people, and an end to the Israeli occupation and subjugation of Palestinian lands.

The Motion failed by the following vote:

In Favor: 1 - Sawant

Opposed: 6 - Juarez, Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Pedersen, Strauss

Abstain: 2 - Mosqueda, Nelson

ACTION 4:

Motion was made by Councilmember Sawant and duly seconded to further amend Action 2, by adding a new Section 4, as presented in the underlined language below:

Section 4. The Seattle City Council opposes all U.S. military aid to Israel, and believes those billions of dollars in military resources are enabling this war and occupation, and greatly increasing the danger of a wider regional war. The Seattle City Council urges the U.S. Congress to oppose further funding for the Israeli military and requests that the Office of Intergovernmental Relations convey this position to Seattle's

Congressional delegation.

The Motion failed by the following vote:

In Favor: 1 - Sawant

Opposed: 6 - Juarez, Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Pedersen, Strauss

Abstain: 2 - Mosqueda, Nelson

ACTION 5:

The Motion in Action 2 was restated, and the Motion carried by the following vote:

In Favor: 7 - Juarez, Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Strauss

Opposed: 1 - Sawant

Abstain: 1 - Nelson

ACTION 6:

Motion was made and duly seconded to adopt Resolution 32118 as amended.

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

In Favor: 6 - Juarez, Herbold, Morales, Mosqueda, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

Abstain: 3 - Lewis, Nelson, Pedersen

K. OTHER BUSINESS

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

L. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Emilia M. Sanchez, Deputy City Clerk

Signed by me in Open Session, upon approval of the Council, on December 5, 2023.

Sara Nelson, Council President Pro Tem of the City Council

Attachment: Att 1 to Action 2 of Resolution 32118