

SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

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Monday, February 3, 2020

2:00 PM

Council Chamber, City Hall

600 Fourth Avenue

Seattle, WA 98104

City Council

M. Lorena González, President

Lisa Herbold, Member

Debora Juarez, Member

Andrew J. Lewis, Member

Tammy J. Morales, Member

Teresa Mosqueda, 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 City Hall in Seattle, Washington, on February 3, 2020, pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter. The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m., with Council President Pro Tem Mosqueda presiding.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant

Excused: 3 - González , Herbold, Juarez

Late Arrival: 1 - Strauss

Motion was made, duly seconded and carried, to excuse Councilmember Juarez from the February 3, 2020 City Council meeting.

C. PRESENTATIONS

There were none.

D. APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

[Min 263](#) **January 21, 2020**

Motion was made, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the proposed Minutes (Min) by the following vote, and the President signed the Minutes:

In Favor: 5 - Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant

Opposed: None

[Min 264](#) **January 27, 2020**

Motion was made, duly seconded and carried, to adopt the proposed Minutes (Min) by the following vote, and the President signed the Minutes:

In Favor: 5 - Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant

Opposed: None

E. ADOPTION OF INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL CALENDAR

[IRC 239](#) **February 3, 2020**

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

In Favor: 5 - Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant

Opposed: None

F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

G. PUBLIC COMMENT

Councilmember Strauss entered the Council Chamber at 2:11 p.m.

City of Redmond Councilmember Varisha Khan address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Padma address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Ram address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Shampad address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Atul address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Archana Sumil address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Michael Parker address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Padma Ayala address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Shiya Varadarajan address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Ashish address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Jagdish Sharma address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Santosm Kumar address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

By unanimous consent, the Council Rules were suspended to extend the Public Comment period for an additional 22 minutes.

Lavanya Reddy address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Venkat B. Iyer address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution

31926.

Guru Venkataraman address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Amrik Singh Kamah address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Pallavi Barve address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

City of Mukilteo Councilmember Riaz Khan addressed the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

At 2:55 p.m., the City Council meeting recessed for five minutes.

The City Council meeting was called back to order at 3:02 p.m.

By unanimous consent, the Council Rules were suspended to extend the Public Comment period for an additional 15 minutes.

Bhakti Joshi address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Shashi Singh address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Pheerendra Taloor address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Manohar address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Kiram address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Nageshwara address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Milind Kulkarni address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Rama Venkatachalam address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Anu Kumar address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Rahul Tarambale address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Councilmember Pedersen left the Council Chamber at 3:14 p.m.

Manohar Bodke address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Keshava Mavthy address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Ameya Siyotdew address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

Siresh Peesa address the Council regarding Agenda item 1, Resolution 31926.

H. PAYMENT OF BILLS

Councilmember Pedersen entered the Council Chamber at 3:22 p.m.

[CB 119737](#) **AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain audited claims for the week of January 20, 2020 through January 24, 2020 and ordering the payment thereof.**

Motion was made and duly seconded to pass Council Bill 119737.

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

In Favor: 6 - Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS

CITY COUNCIL:

1. [Res 31926](#) **A RESOLUTION reaffirming Seattle as a welcoming city, expressing the Seattle City Council's solidarity with Seattle's South Asian community regardless of religion and caste, and opposing India's National Register of Citizens and Citizenship Amendment Act.**

Councilmember Pedersen left the Council Chamber at 3:34 p.m.

ACTION 1:

Motion was made and duly seconded to adopt Resolution 31926.

ACTION 2:

Motion was made by Councilmember Lewis, duly seconded and carried, to amend Resolution 31926, Section 2, by substituting the second sentence, as shown in the underlined and strike through language below:

Section 2. The Seattle City Council opposes the National Register of Citizens and the Citizenship Amendment Act in India, and finds these policies to be discriminatory to Muslims, oppressed castes, women, indigenous, and LGBT people. The Seattle City Council urges the United States Congress to (a) support legislation censuring the Republic of India for adopting these policies and (b) call for the Parliament of India to uphold the Indian constitution by repealing the Citizenship Amendment Act, ~~and to~~ stopping the National Register of Citizens, and ~~take-taking~~ steps towards helping refugees by ratifying various UN treaties on refugees.

ACTION 3:

Motion was made and duly seconded to adopt Resolution 31926 as amended.

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

In Favor: 5 - Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

Absent(NV): 1 - Pedersen

Councilmember Pedersen entered the Council Chamber at 3:50 p.m.

Motion was made, duly seconded and carried, to hold item 2, Council Bill 119726, until after consideration of items three through seven.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE:

3. [Appt 01533](#) Reappointment of Tara Henriksen as member, Seattle Fire Code Advisory Board, for a term to August 31, 2021.

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

In Favor: 4 - Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Pedersen

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed by the following vote:

In Favor: 6 - Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

4. [Appt 01534](#) Reappointment of Fritz Chess as member, Seattle Fire Code Advisory Board, for a term to May 31, 2022.

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

In Favor: 4 - Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Pedersen

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed by the following vote:

In Favor: 6 - Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

5. [Appt 01535](#) Reappointment of Kurt Howell Lustig as member, Seattle Fire Code Advisory Board, for a term to December 31, 2022.

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

In Favor: 4 - Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Pedersen

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed by the following vote:

In Favor: 6 - Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

6. [Appt 01536](#) Reappointment of Brad Middleton as member, Seattle Fire Code Advisory Board, for a term to May 31, 2022.

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

In Favor: 4 - Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Pedersen

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed by the following vote:

In Favor: 6 - Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

7. [Appt 01537](#) Reappointment of Hugo Sotelo as member, Seattle Fire Code Advisory Board, for a term to May 31, 2022.

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

In Favor: 4 - Herbold, Lewis, Morales, Pedersen

Opposed: None

The Appointment (Appt) was confirmed by the following vote:

In Favor: 6 - Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: None

SUSTAINABILITY AND RENTERS' RIGHTS COMMITTEE:

2. [CB 119726](#) **AN ORDINANCE relating to termination of residential rental tenancies; prohibiting evictions in winter months; and amending Section 22.206.160 of the Seattle Municipal Code.**

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

In Favor: 3 - Sawant, Morales, Lewis

Opposed: None

Abstain: 1 - Pedersen

Motion was made and duly seconded to hold Council Bill 119726 until February 10, 2020.

The Motion carried, and Council Bill (CB) 119726 was held until February 10, 2020 by the following vote:

In Favor: 6 - Lewis, Morales, Mosqueda, Pedersen, Sawant, Strauss

Opposed: 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 3:56 p.m.

Emilia M. Sanchez, Sr. Deputy City Clerk

Signed by me in Open Session, upon approval of the Council, on February 18, 2020.

Debora Juarez, President Pro Tem of the City Council

Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk