



## COUNCIL WORK SESSION

City Hall Council Chambers, 10501 SE Main Street  
& Zoom Video Conference ([www.milwaukieoregon.gov](http://www.milwaukieoregon.gov))

## MINUTES

AUGUST 20, 2024

**Council Present:** Councilors Will Anderson, Adam Khosroabadi, Rebecca Stavenjord,  
and Council President Robert Massey, and Mayor Lisa Batey

<p><b>Staff Present:</b> Tanya Battye, Civil Engineer Jennifer Garbely, City Engineer Katie Gavares, Climate &amp; Natural Resources Manager Justin Gericke, City Attorney</p>	<p>Nicole Madigan, Deputy City Recorder Adam Moore, Parks Development Coordinator Peter Passarelli, Public Works Director Emma Sagor, Acting City Manager Scott Stauffer, City Recorder</p>
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**Mayor Batey** called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

### 1. Policy Lanes (continued) and Legislative Priorities – Discussion

**Sagor** provided a recap of the last Council conversation around policy lanes. **Councilor Massey** shared a vision for how the policy lanes process could work most effectively and the group discussed Council member roles in policy lanes, how meetings should be formatted for allowing time for Council members to report back to all Council, and at what level should topics be considered to fall into a policy lane.

The group discussed concerns around serial meetings and commented on the proposed policy lane assignments.

**Sagor** stated that due to time, legislative priorities would be discussed with individual Council members later.

### 2. Grant Priorities – Discussion

**Sagor** reported on the city's grant process, shared city policies related to grants and presented a new strategy for determining if and when the city should apply for a grant.

**Garbely** presented grants that the engineering team was pursuing, and the group discussed the grant process and projects they are related to. **Garbely** noted the city was getting ready to work with two consultants that would provide direction on water projects for the next five years. **Sagor** noted how policy lanes could direct grant priorities.

**Sagor** shared a few other grants the city was considering pursuing. **Mayor Batey** noted other types of grants that don't align with Council goals, but the city should consider. The group discussed different ways the city could apply for grants. **Councilor Massey** asked about other departments pursuing grants and **Sagor** and **Garbely** noted which teams were pursuing grants, and which did not have capacity but were interested in grants.

**Sagor** introduced the city's new civil engineer, Tanya Battye.

### 3. Neighborhood Park Projects & Scott Park Site Visit – Discussion

**Moore** provided an update on the ongoing parks development that included background on how the three parks were designed and funded and noted the changes and expected completion date for Bowman Brae Park. **Mayor Batey** asked if the park openings were being delayed due to sod, **Moore** noted that seed was being used and that the

construction team hoped there would be time for the grass to be cut a couple of times before the rainy season set in. **Councilor Massey** asked about soft openings and **Moore** confirmed that all the parks would soft open once completed and that there were plans for a grand opening in the spring. **Moore** reported on the changes and timelines for Balfour Park and Scott Park.

**Moore** shared the current plan for a grand opening event for all three parks on March 8, 2025. **Mayor Batey** and **Moore** commented on why March 8 was selected.

Council participated in a site visit of Scott Park located at 10660 SE 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue.

#### **4. Adjourn**

**Mayor Batey** adjourned the meeting at 6:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Nicole Madigan, Deputy City Recorder