



## COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

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

2410<sup>th</sup> Meeting

## MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 17, 2024

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

**Staff Present:** Joseph Briglio, Acting Assistant City Manager  
Justin Gericke, City Attorney  
Nicole Madigan, Deputy City Recorder  
Emma Sagor, City Manager

Gabriela Santoyo Guitierrez, Equity & Inclusion Coordinator  
Scott Stauffer, City Recorder

**Mayor Batey** called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

**A. Pledge of Allegiance.**

**B. Native Lands Acknowledgment.**

### 2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Mayor Batey** announced upcoming activities including a public comment opportunity for the Washington-Monroe Greenway, the Milwaukie Leadership Academy, a call for artwork for the Historic City Hall Sculpture Garden, a restoration event at Elk Rock Island, the fall library authors series, and the October First Friday event. **Stauffer** noted it was National Register to Vote Day, and **Santoyo Gutierrez** noted a Mexican ballet event and announced the inaugural grant awards from the city's Community Events Fund.

**Mayor Batey** read a voter registration themed Haiku.

### 3. PROCLAMATIONS AND AWARDS

**A. Outstanding Milwaukie High School (MHS) Student – Award**

**Kim Kellogg**, MHS Principal, introduced Guadalupe Barrera and Council congratulated the student on their academic and extracurricular activities.

**B. Latinx and Hispanic Heritage Month – Proclamation**

**Santoyo Gutierrez** and Equity Steering Committee (ESC) Member **Nikki Storm** introduced the proclamation and remarked on the importance of recognizing Latinx and Hispanic heritage. **Mayor Batey** proclaimed October 2024, to be Latinx and Hispanic Heritage Month in Milwaukie.

**Mayor Batey** announced that Council would proceed to item 3. D. as the presenter for item 3. C. had not arrived yet.

**D. Constitution Week – Proclamation**

**Nancy McClary**, Susannah Lee Barlow Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), commented on the importance of the United States Constitution. **Mayor Batey** proclaimed September 17-23, 2024, to be Constitution Week in Milwaukie.

**4. SPECIAL REPORTS**

**A. Clackamas County Water Environment Services (WES) – Annual Report**

**Greg Geist**, WES Director, provided an overview of WES services, rate structure, facility improvement projects, collaborative projects and events support with the city.

**Council President Massey, Geist, and Mayor Batey** remarked on the future of water treatment technology and testing for ground pollutants.

**Councilor Anderson, Mayor Batey, and Geist** noted that the city is responsible for the drinking water in Milwaukie.

**Councilor Stavenjord, Geist, and Mayor Batey** noted WES’ work in local schools.

**Councilor Khosroabadi and Sagor** thanked WES for working with the city on many projects and issues.

**B. Clackamas County Community Action Board (CAB) – Report**

**Councilor Khosroabadi** introduced the CAB, a needs assessment report, and Jennifer Munch Grund and Brenda Durbin with Clackamas County Social Services.

**Durbin and Munch Grund** introduced themselves and provided an overview of the needs assessment and the county’s community action work meant to measure and address poverty. They discussed the federal poverty level, the median family income in the county, and the Asset-Limited, Income-Constrained, Employed (ALICE) framework to understand poverty in the countywide and Milwaukie community. They remarked on how the city and county could work together to lower costs for low-income residents, noting the CAB’s work.

**Councilor Stavenjord** discussed economic mobility in the county and the use of demographic data to better position services for low-income residents. **Durbin and Stavenjord** commented on how the city and county could craft policies to better support low-income families. The group talked about providing living wages for housing and social service provider staffers and what various agencies were doing to provide living wage jobs.

**Councilor Khosroabadi** thanked Durbin and Munch Grund for reporting and encouraged Council to keep the ALICE data in mind when it comes to setting Council’s goals for the next few years. **Councilor Anderson** asked for annual updates on the ALICE data.

**Mayor Batey and Munch Grund** remarked on why the federal poverty level had not been updated in decades, noting a lack of general understanding about poverty.

**Mayor Batey** announced that Council would return to item 3. C.

**C. Mid-Autumn Festival – Proclamation**

**Thao Thu**, Vietnamese Community of Oregon, introduced the proclamation and explained the significance of the Mid-Autumn Festival for the Vietnamese community. **Mayor Batey** proclaimed September 23-30, 2024, to be Mid-Autmn Festival Days.

**5. COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

**Mayor Batey** reviewed the public comment procedures and **Sagor** reported that there was no follow-up report from the September 3 community comments. No audience member wished to address Council.

**Bernie Stout**, Milwaukie resident, expressed frustration with the route alignment of the Monroe Neighborhood Greenway and suggested there had been a lack of communication about the project to the community.

**Mayor Batey** recessed the meeting at 8:53 p.m. and reconvened at 9:04 p.m.

**Dennis Tarr**, Milwaukie resident, commented on the placement and visibility of a stop sign at the intersection of 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Monroe Street, expressed appreciation for the work of the city, and asked if the city had a vehicle noise control ordinance.

## **6. CONSENT AGENDA**

It was moved by Councilor Anderson and seconded by Council President Massey to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

### **A. City Council Meeting Minutes:**

1. August 6, 2024, work session,
2. August 6, 2024, regular session,
3. August 12, 2024, site visit,
4. ~~August 20, 2024, work session, and~~
5. ~~August 20, 2024, regular session.~~ (removed)

**B. Resolution 48-2024: A resolution of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, Oregon, authorizing an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde for the implementation of a First Fish Herons Artworks Program at Milwaukie Bay Park.**

**C. Resolution 49-2024: A resolution of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, Oregon, supporting healthy pollinators and adopting Bee City USA commitments.**

~~D. A resolution authorizing an IGA for the Stanley Avenue Project. (removed)~~

~~E. A motion approving a 5.0% management/non-represented cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) effective retroactively to the first day of the pay period for July 1, 2024. (removed)~~

**F. Resolution 50-2024: A resolution of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, Oregon, acting as the Local Contract Review Board, authorizing an increase in the project authorization for engineering services for the Washington Street Area Improvements Project.**

**G. Resolution 51-2024: A resolution of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, Oregon, acting as the Local Contract Review Board, authorizing an increase in the project authorization for the Stanley Water Reservoir Project.**

Motion passed with the following vote: Councilors Anderson, Khosroabadi, Massey, and Stavenjord and Mayor Batey voting “aye.” [5:0]

## **7. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**A. None Scheduled.**

## **8. PUBLIC HEARING**

**A. None Scheduled.**

## **9. COUNCIL REPORTS**

**Councilor Stavenjord** reported on the city's involvement in a county-led grant application to provide short-term rental assistance, noting the impact of poverty on families and school-age children and how a school's boundaries affect their eligibility for services. Stavenjord noted upcoming meetings with the North Clackamas School District (NCSD) and a grand opening at the Clackamas Service Center (CSC).

**Council President Massey** reported on an upcoming North Clackamas Watershed Council (NCWC) meeting and the installation of electric vehicle (EV) charging stations in neighborhoods across the city.

**Councilor Anderson** reported on a community survey the Transportation System Plan Advisory Committee (TSPAC) would be conducting and encouraged Council to think about ideas for the upcoming Neighborhood Hubs Phase III conversation.

**Mayor Batey** reported on recent tours of the Kellogg Creek Dam with members of the Metro Council, a Cultivating Belonging in Clackamas County report, and introduced a letter for Council to consider about a state climate protection program. The group discussed the letter, and it was Council consensus to send the letter as revised on the dais on behalf of the entire Council.

## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

**It was moved by Councilor Anderson and seconded by Council President Massey to adjourn the Regular Session. Motion passed with the following vote: Councilors Abma, Khosroabadi, Massey, and Stavenjord and Mayor Batey voting "aye." [5:0]**

**Mayor Batey** adjourned the meeting at 9:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Scott Stauffer, City Recorder