# CITY OF BELLEVUE CITY COUNCIL

# Summary Minutes of Regular Meeting

March 4, 2025 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers Bellevue, Washington

<u>PRESENT</u>: Mayor Robinson<sup>1</sup>, Deputy Mayor Malakoutian and Councilmembers Hamilton, Lee, Nieuwenhuis, Stokes and Zahn<sup>2</sup>

- ABSENT: None.
- 1. <u>Call to Order</u>

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m., with Deputy Mayor Malakoutian presiding. He encouraged everyone to work together to make this a productive and successful meeting. He asked everyone to be polite and to help create a welcoming environment where all voices are heard.

#### 2. Roll Call; Flag Salute

City Clerk Charmaine Arredondo called the roll and all Councilmembers except Councilmember Zahn were present. Ms. Arredondo noted that Ms. Zahn would be joining the meeting soon. Councilmember Lee led the flag salute.

(a) Women's History Month Proclamation

Mayor Robinson read the proclamation recognizing March 2025 as Women's History Month in Bellevue. She encouraged everyone to participate in programs, ceremonies and activities that recognize and celebrate the remarkable achievements of women throughout history.

Dr. Elba Moise said that as the daughter of immigrants, accepting the proclamation was deeply meaningful. She said it honors her journey and the resilience, leadership and contributions of all women, including from historically marginalized communities. She said women of color, immigrant women and working class women have long been at the forefront of shaping movements for justice, inclusion and progress, often without recognition. She said the proclamation is a recognition that women's stories matter and their voices deserve to be heard. Dr. Moise noted that she is a new member of the Communities of Color Coordinating (CCC) Team and she looks forward to building community and working toward collective solutions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Mayor Robinson participated remotely.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Councilmember Zahn joined the meeting remotely at 6:40 p.m.

# (b) Update from King County Councilmember Reagan Dunn

City Clerk Arredondo said Councilmember Dunn had been delayed and would be joining the meeting later in the agenda.

### 3. <u>Approval of Agenda</u>

Deputy Mayor Malakoutian noted that Agenda Item 7(a) was removed and proposed adding Agenda Item 7(b), Consideration of Alex Tsimerman's Appeal of a Notice of Exclusion Order.

- → Councilmember Stokes moved to approve the agenda, amended as suggested by Deputy Mayor Malakoutian. Councilmember Lee seconded the motion.
- $\rightarrow$  The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

### 4. Oral Communications

City Clerk Arredondo said the total time for oral communications is for a period not to exceed 30 minutes and topics must relate to City of Bellevue government. Persons speaking to items on the agenda will be called first and if time remains, others will be called. The presiding officer is authorized to give preference to individuals who have not spoken to the Council within the past 60 days or who are speaking to items that will come before the Council in the upcoming 60 days.

- (a) Chuck Doland commented regarding the City's efforts to encourage middle housing. He expressed concern that the State is placing unreasonable demands on local governments related to the development of housing. He noted his understanding that some single-family lots could have as many as 8-12 housing units.
- (b) Pamela Johnston said she felt the City's effort to produce middle housing is not actually focused on middle housing. She expressed concern about multiple units on single-family lots. She said Bellevue is working significantly to encourage and facilitate the development of housing, including affordable housing, through a number of initiatives. She expressed concern about a potential significant increase in the number of housing units without requirements for parking facilities.
- (c) Dr. Matthew Rehrl said he spoke with Councilmember Nieuwenhuis a couple of months ago. At that meeting, Dr. Rehrl mentioned a national study showing an exponential increase in the rate of micromobility vehicle injuries since 2017. In 2017, there were 751 e-bike injuries and in 2022, there were more than 23,000 e-bike injuries. He asked how the City measures helmet usage for micromobility vehicles. He said the Bellevue Police Department has only written one citation since 2019 for not wearing a helmet while using a micromobility vehicle. He referenced an excerpt from the City's current written legal position about micromobility vehicles and helmet laws: "The City of Bellevue is not responsible for educating users about how to operate a vehicle, local or county helmet laws, or other applicable regulations." He said this position conflicts with the approach of

the City's Vision Zero program in which the City does take responsibility for educating users.

- (d) Anne Rittenhouse said she attended the middle housing code amendment presentation by City staff the previous day. She said she was appalled by the increased density suggestions from staff, which go above and beyond what is required by House Bill 1110. She said HB 1110 dictates that a mandatory housing element in the Comprehensive Plan must include an element that ensures the vitality and character of established residential neighborhoods, provides mandatory provisions for the preservation of housing, provides for the identification of neighborhoods that might be at risk of displacement through market forces, and establishes anti-displacement policies. She said none of those items were addressed in staff's presentation. She felt there was a lack of recognition that the provisions exceeding state requirements will result in the destruction of single-family neighborhoods. She expressed concern that families will no longer be able to afford to live in their communities because the proposed density increases will increase the property tax. She said her neighborhood, Newport Hills, lacks the infrastructure capacity to support the density increases that are being suggested. She urged the Council to direct staff to protect residential neighborhoods by only addressing the minimum requirements of HB 1110.
- (e) Nicole Myers said she has similar concerns about the City's proposed policies that go beyond the requirements of HB 1110 and HB 1337. She expressed concern that density could be doubled. As an example, she said there could be a case in which the State indicates a site should have four units but staff's recommendations suggest up to nine units. She said the accessory dwelling units (ADUs) reflected in the City's policies are larger than those defined by state law. She expressed concern about the potential increase in density and impacts on neighborhoods. She said middle housing has been successful in some cities. However, many of those cities have a maximum of 3-4 units per lot. Ms. Myers encouraged the Council to follow the minimum requirements of state law. She expressed concern that there is not sufficient infrastructure to support significant increases in density.
- 2. (b) Update from King County Councilmember Reagan Dunn

King County Councilmember Reagan Dunn, Council Vice Chair, provided an update to the Council. He said the top three issues for his constituents are crime and public safety, reducing property taxes and solving homelessness. Councilmember Dunn said the juvenile jail was scheduled to close in 2028. However, 93 percent of District 9 constituents did not support that plan. He noted his efforts leading to a unanimous vote on the King County Council to keep the jail open.

Councilmember Dunn said the top issues for 2024 for District 9 were the Harborview Medical Center property tax, establishing a minimum wage for unincorporated King County, Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) legislation, Comprehensive Plan update and the winery, beverage and distillery ordinance. Councilmember Dunn provided information regarding substance use and recovery, noting that overdose deaths increased by 209 percent in King County from 2019 to 2023. Overdose deaths decreased from 1,339 in 2023 to 1,048 in 2024, and non-fatal overdoses treated by King County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) decreased from 8,240 in 2023 to 6,994 in 2024. Mr. Dunn noted a 880 percent increase in fentanyl overdoses from 2019 to 2023. He said substance use and recovery initiatives include public awareness campaigns, King County declaring fentanyl a public health crisis, planning for five crisis care centers and one mobile crisis unit, and the fifth annual King County conference on substance use disorders scheduled for June 25, 2025.

Mr. Dunn said Washington has the third largest homeless population in the country after California and New York. On a given night in 2024, Washington had 16,222 rough sleepers while New York had 5,638 unhoused individuals. He opined that the Housing First approach is not working. He suggested a Housing Plus model that includes investments in treatment and mental health services. He said 64 percent of individuals experiencing homelessness self identify as addicts and the actual number is estimated to be closer to 80 percent. He commended Bellevue and its partners for the new Eastgate shelter, housing and supportive services.

Councilmember Dunn provided information regarding the unprecedented backlog in unlawful detainer cases. He said an expedited hearing process was implemented for individuals who are a danger to the community, and judges and court staff have been added to address the backlog.

### [Councilmember Zahn joined the meeting at 6:40 p.m.]

Mr. Dunn provided details regarding violent crime in King County. While shootings and homicides are down from the peak in 2024, they are still well above 2019 levels. He said juvenile crime continues to rise significantly and includes crimes against persons or involving a firearm, property and drug-related crimes, and sex offenses. He said the caseload of the King County Superior Court has become severely backlogged and a record level of felony cases is pending.

Mr. Dunn said the King Co Sheriff's Office has 75 vacancies in commissioned deputies and Metro has requested an additional 10 deputies. There are 38.5 vacancies in non-commissioned staff. He said the City of Seattle is offering a \$50,000 hiring bonus for police officers and King County offers a \$15,000 bonus.

Councilmember Dunn noted four ballot measures anticipated in 2025: automated fingerprint identification system (AFIS) levy in April, parks levy in August, EMS levy in November and a potential Transportation Benefit District (TBD) item. King County Councilmember Girmay Zahilay was recently elected to serve as Council Chair and Mr. Dunn and Sarah Perry are Vice Chairs.

Mr. Dunn said the King County budget totals \$10.2 billion for FY2025. He noted that the General Fund is facing a \$150 million gap in 2026-2027.

Councilmember Dunn commended Mayor Robinson for the City's partnership with King County and the Save Coal Creek organization to obtain a \$9.25 million Conservation Futures Grant to

conserve the historic Swanson property in the Lakemont area. The City of Bellevue purchased the property in December 2024. Mr. Dunn said the City received \$3.1 million from the King County Flood Control District in 2025 to address flooding in the Factoria area, for a total contribution from the district of \$9.9 million.

Councilmember Dunn highlighted the many community investments in Bellevue for 2024 and 2025 including to the South Bellevue Community Center, Bellevue LifeSpring, Bellevue Police Foundation, KidsQuest Museum, Factoria Lunar New Year, Bellevue United FC, Newport High School and the Eastside Heritage Center. In addition to the Factoria drainage improvements, the King County Flood Control District provided grants for the Upper Kelsey Creek Phase 2 project and the Lower Coal Creek project.

Mr. Dunn noted grants to numerous arts and culture organizations including the American Asian Performing Arts Theatre, Bellevue Chamber Chorus, Bellevue College Foundation, Bellevue youth choirs, Bellevue Youth Symphony, Bellevue Youth Theatre, Emerald Ballet Theatre, Music Works Northwest and Theatre33. Additional grant programs include District 9 Councilmanic grants, parks levy project grants, WaterWorks grants, Conservation Futures grants, Best Starts for Kids grants, 4Culture grants and Veteran, Senior and Human Services Levy (VSHSL) grants.

Deputy Mayor Malakoutian thanked Councilmember Dunn for the update and expressed appreciation for funding and collaborative efforts with King County.

Mayor Robinson thanked Councilmember Dunn for the community investments he has sponsored and supported. Ms. Robinson noted that while gun violence has decreased in 2024, there has been a 45 percent increase in gun violence affecting children and teenagers. She expressed concern about the possible budget reduction to the King County Prosecutor's Office. She said police officers work so hard to address crime, putting themselves at risk, and deserve to have sufficient prosecutors to pursue charges. She asked about the potential for a Transportation Benefit District (TBD).

Councilmember Dunn said he would follow up with more information regarding the TBD proposal. Regarding gun violence, he said he co-authored President George W. Bush's national effort to fight gun violence through the Project Safe Neighborhoods program, which led to a nationwide reduction in gun-related crime. He said juveniles need to be held accountable for gun crimes.

Councilmember Lee commended Councilmember Dunn for his public service and representation of his constituents. He thanked Mr. Dunn for his efforts on the Regional Water Quality Committee. Mr. Lee said he looks forward to continuing to work together.

Councilmember Dunn said Bellevue is one of the best-managed cities in the state. He noted his commitment to helping the Bellevue City Council achieve its goals and vision for the community.

Councilmember Stokes said he admired Councilmember Dunn's depth and breadth of interests and actions across a range of issues and political views.

Responding to Councilmember Stokes, Mr. Dunn said the County Charter was changed recently and King County Council elections and the budget cycle were shifted to align with the new Charter.

Councilmember Zahn thanked Councilmember Dunn for all of the specific data in his presentation. She said the City has also talked about considering the creation of a TBD or other ways to generate transportation revenue. She said she appreciates King County Metro's current efforts to enhance transit safety.

Councilmember Nieuwenhuis thanked Mr. Dunn for the update and for his work to secure grants for Bellevue priorities, including the arts. Mr. Nieuwenhuis thanked him for his focus on public safety and expressed concern about the proposed budget reductions to King County law enforcement and prosecution. Mr. Nieuwenhuis noted recent reporting by King 5 news that, on average, a juvenile is typically arrested five times before receiving jail time. He expressed concern regarding the impact of this leniency on increasing juvenile crime.

Councilmember Dunn said that efforts to defund and disparage the police led to the loss of officers and reductions in enforcement efforts. He said moving toward a decriminalization approach has been counter-productive and 40 percent of juvenile offenders who are referred to a non-profit organization to handle their cases are not participating in the program as required. He opined that it is important to provide guardrails and insist on accountability, especially for repeat offenders. He said criminal organizations recruit juveniles because of the lack of consequences when they commit crimes. He said the worst thing would have been to close the juvenile jail. He noted that the alternative plan was to place offenders, even those charged with rape and murder, in unsecured respite houses.

Councilmember Hamilton said he appreciated Councilmember Dunn's efforts to reach out to Bellevue elected officials. Mr. Hamilton thanked Mr. Dunn for his work on behalf of Bellevue, including the grant to purchase the Swanson property.

- 5. <u>Reports of Community Councils, Boards, and Commissions</u>: None.
- 6. <u>Report of the City Manager</u>: None.
- 7. <u>Council Business and New Initiative</u>
  - (a) King County Crisis Care Centers Initiative: Letter of Jurisdictional Support

### [Item removed.]

(b) Appeal of Notice of Exclusion pertaining to Mr. Alex Tsimerman

Deputy Mayor Malakoutian said the Council would consider the appeal of the Notice of Exclusion issued to Alex Tsimerman on February 28, 2025. The notice excludes him from City Council meetings for 60 days. The presiding officer, in accordance with the Council Rules, has the authority to issue a Notice of Exclusion to any individual who repeatedly disrupts, disturbs or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of the Council meetings.

Deputy Mayor Malakoutian said Mr. Tsimerman was previously excluded from participating in public comment at City Council meetings from October 14 to November 13, 2024. Since that time, he has continued to violate the rules of decorum and has disrupted, disturbed and otherwise impeded the orderly conduct of meetings on at least six occasions. Mr. Malakoutian said Mr. Tsimerman was warned by Mayor Robinson that his behavior violated the rules of decorum at each of the six meetings and/or was ejected and/or was escorted out of the meeting. Mayor Robinson found that Mr. Tsimerman's violations of the rules of decorum and refusal to correct his conduct after being warned caused actual disruptions and disturbances and impeded the orderly conduct of the meetings.

City Attorney Trisna Tanus said that, under Council Rules, any person excluded from participation in future meetings or future public comment may appeal that exclusion to the Council by submitting a written appeal. The appeal must be timely and must state the reason for the appeal. Ms. Tanus said Mr. Tsimerman submitted a timely written appeal and the matter is now before the Council.

Ms. Tanus said the Council will need to make a decision to deny the appeal or to grant the appeal. Denying the appeal means that the mayor properly issued the exclusion order. Granting the appeal means that the mayor did not properly issue the exclusion order. The presiding officer (Mayor) can issue a Notice of Exclusion to any individual who repeatedly disrupts, disturbs or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of the Council meetings, only when considering these factors: 1) seriousness and number of disruptions or violations, 2) their impact on the orderly conduct of the meeting, 3) whether the conduct threatens public safety, and 4) the individual's record of conduct at meetings.

Deputy Mayor Malakoutian thanked Ms. Tanus for the information.

- $\rightarrow$  Councilmember Hamilton moved to deny the appeal of the Notice of Exclusion issued to Alex Tsimerman on February 28, 2025. Councilmember Stokes seconded the motion.
- $\rightarrow$  The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.
- 8. <u>Consent Calendar</u>
- $\rightarrow$  Councilmember Stokes moved to approve the Consent Calendar, and Councilmember Lee seconded the motion.
- $\rightarrow$  The motion to approve the Consent Calendar carried by a vote of 7-0, and the following items were approved:

# (a) Council Minutes *Minutes of February 11, 2025 Regular Meeting*

- (b) Ordinance No. 6839 relating to design review; amending Chapters 20.10, 20.20, 20.35, 20.40 of the Land Use Code; amending Parts 20.25A, 20.25B, 20.25C, 20.25D, 20.25F, 20.25F1, 20.25I, 20.25J, 20.25L, 20.25M, 20.25N, 20.25P, 20.25Q, 20.30F of the Land Use Code; providing for severability; and setting an effective date.
- (c) Resolution No. 10479 granting authority to the Finance & Asset Management Director or their designee to approve annual purchase orders for various vendors for small goods and routine services used by City departments, for amounts not to exceed the estimated values for the specified vendors set forth in Attachment A, plus applicable taxes.
- (d) Resolution No. 10480 determining that an existing water easement located at 11040 Main Street is surplus to the City's needs and is no longer required for providing continued water service; and setting a time and place for a public hearing to consider the release of this easement.
- (e) Resolution No. 10481 authorizing a contract between the City of Bellevue and Gensco to administer rebates and provide community discounts on heat pumps for Energy Smart Eastside (ESE) and to authorize reimbursement of ESE rebates in an amount not to exceed \$1,153,000.
- (f) Resolution No. 10482 authorizing a contract between the City of Bellevue and Airefco Powered by Ferguson to administer rebates and provide community discounts on heat pumps for Energy Smart Eastside (ESE) and to authorize reimbursement of ESE rebates in an amount not to exceed \$1,153,000.
- Resolution No. 10483 authorizing execution of all documents necessary to implement settlement of the lawsuit brought by Joseph Ruljancich in Ruljancich v. City of Bellevue (King County Superior Court Case No. 23-2-20075-1 SEA) in the amount of \$850,000.

At 7:34 p.m., Deputy Mayor Malakoutian declared a short break. The meeting resumed at 7:44 p.m.

- 9. <u>Public Hearings</u>: None.
- 10. <u>Study Session</u>
  - (a) New City Park at Main Street Update

Genesee Adkins, Deputy City Manager, introduced discussion regarding the new City park at Main Street and 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Susan Ulep, Capital Project Coordinator, Parks and Community Services Department, said staff is seeking direction to initiate a naming process for the new park consistent with the Council's policy for naming parks and recreation facilities. The park property was acquired by Sound Transit to build the light rail 2 Line tunnel portal and the park was designed by Sound Transit and City staff. The park was constructed by Sound Transit and land ownership was transferred to the City in September 2024. Ms. Ulep briefly described the park built over the light rail south tunnel portal and shared photos of views from the site.

Camron Parker, Assistant Director, said the park adds a feature along the Lake to Lake Trail system and there are opportunities for future connections to the Eastrail regional trail and to the future RapidRide K Line. He said staff is exploring a partnership with a local organization to create a permanent installation to commemorate and interpret the history of the Japanese American community in Bellevue.

Mr. Parker said Resolution No. 10151 provides the policies and procedures for naming public parks and recreation facilities based upon public input using the following criteria: 1) a neighborhood or geographical identification, 2) a natural or geographical feature, 3) a historical figure or name of historical or cultural significant, 4) an organization or individual that has made a significant contribution to the park system, and 5) consideration of diversity, equity and inclusion when selecting names of individuals or historic figures.

Mr. Parker said the naming process begins with community outreach to solicit ideas for names and feedback regarding the community's preferences. Staff will screen the suggested names to ensure consistency with the policy criteria. Mr. Parker said the Parks and Community Services Board will review the names and develop a recommendation for the Council's consideration.

Deputy Mayor Malakoutian thanked staff for the presentation.

Councilmember Hamilton expressed support to initiate the naming process for the new park. He commended the Parks and Community Services Board for its recent process to name the new park in the Bridle Trails neighborhood.

Mayor Robinson expressed support for moving forward with the naming process and for honoring Bellevue's Japanese American heritage. She noted that Yao, Japan is a sister city. She said there is a small area in the Downtown Park with cherry trees that commemorates the local Japanese American history. She suggested planting cherry trees at the new park. Mr. Parker said the park is currently landscaped. However, modifications to the park can be evaluated over time.

Councilmember Zahn concurred with moving forward with the naming process. Responding to Ms. Zahn, Mr. Parker said the naming process will solicit input from the broader community as well as individuals and businesses in the immediate vicinity of the park. He said the naming process is separate from the effort to design the commemorative element.

Councilmember Nieuwenhuis expressed support for moving forward and thanked staff for their work.

Councilmember Stokes concurred and expressed enthusiasm for the new park.

Councilmember Lee said the park plan is consistent with Bellevue's values regarding its history and its future. He expressed support for moving forward with the naming process and for honoring the Japanese American history in Bellevue. He encouraged an inclusive process and broad community involvement in suggesting park names. He said Yao was Bellevue's first sister city and it was established through the efforts of local Japanese Americans with family ties to Yao.

- → Councilmember Lee moved to direct staff to initiate the naming process for the new park at Main Street and 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE and to seek a name recommendation from the Parks and Community Services Board for Council consideration. Councilmember Stokes seconded the motion.
- $\rightarrow$  The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.
  - (b) Safe Parking Program Performance and Next Steps

Deputy City Manager Adkins introduced staff's update regarding the Safe Parking program, which has served more than 30 households experiencing homelessness over the past 10 months.

Nico Quijano, Homelessness Outreach Program Manager, said staff is seeking direction to return with a resolution authorizing an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement and Lease Agreement with 4 Tomorrow to extend the program at Lincoln Center through December 31, 2026. The facility began operating in May 2024 and the 2025-2026 budget included \$450,000 per year for the pilot program. The original contract was extended to June 2025.

Mr. Quijano said the Council's original priorities for the program indicated that the program should not disrupt neighboring businesses, participants should be housed in a timely manner, clients should be assisted in attaining self-sufficiency, and there should be effective collaboration with emergency services. He said there have not been any complaints about the program. Over the past 10 months, 30 households (37 adults and 61 children) have obtained stable housing. The program assisted 14 clients in finding child care services and helped 11 households increase their employment levels. Mr. Quijano said the security plan was approved by the Bellevue Police Department and there have been no emergency calls related to client conflicts or program issues.

Mr. Quijano described the site renovations to establish a welcoming and cozy community space with a kitchen and storage space for individuals. He highlighted community events and family activities at the center. He said 30 households were housed and seven households exited the program without securing stable housing. The average length of stay is 58 days and 16 households are currently participating in the program.

Mr. Quijano said staff is requesting Council direction to return with a contract and lease extension to continue the program at Lincoln Center through 2026. The continued use of the property will require an extension of the temporary land use permit as well. The Finance and

Asset Management Department is reviewing the feasibility of the continued use of the property, which is ultimately planned to be part of the Grand Connection and exploring potential future sites.

Deputy Mayor Malakoutian said he appreciated City staff and 4 Tomorrow staff and their work in the community.

Councilmember Zahn thanked Mr. Quijano and everyone involved with the Safe Parking program. She expressed support for extending the program through 2026. She said the program is more than she anticipated when she first suggested a safe parking program. She commended the program's efforts to assist people with other needs beyond housing.

Responding to Ms. Zahn, Mr. Quijano said the program does not currently have a wait list. However, it did as recently as a couple of weeks ago. He said the program is starting a partnership with Newport Presbyterian Church for a safe parking program.

Mayor Robinson expressed enthusiastic support for the program and thanked staff for the update. She expressed support for extending the lease. Responding to Ms. Robinson, Bianca Siegl, Director of the Office of Housing, said the budget funding beyond the original contract termination date for the pilot program was a recognition that the program continues to be a priority. Ms. Robinson asked staff to follow up with additional details.

Councilmember Stokes expressed support for extending the lease and program at Lincoln Center. He thanked Councilmember Zahn for her advocacy of a safe parking program.

Councilmember Lee commended staff for their work and thanked Councilmember Zahn for moving this priority forward. Responding to Mr. Lee, Mr. Quijano said a few of the seven households that exited the program without housing were disqualified due to program non-compliance. He said staff continues to work with those households to address their needs. In further response, Ms. Siegl said it is possible the Lincoln Center building will not be available through the end of 2026, and staff is currently exploring alternatives.

Councilmember Nieuwenhuis expressed appreciation for all of the work by City staff and 4 Tomorrow. He said specific policies and guidelines developed in advance helped to ensure the success of the program. He is pleased that the program is having a real impact in the community.

Councilmember Hamilton expressed strong support for the program and said he is encouraged by its success. He thanked 4 Tomorrow for taking every aspect of their program so seriously to best serve families. He said he was pleased to learn there have not been any complaints about the program. He expressed support for extending the lease and program through 2026.

Deputy Mayor Malakoutian praised the high success rate in transitioning households to stable housing and the lack of complaints from the community. Responding to Mr. Malakoutian, Mr. Quijano said the program emphasizes that they are a community responsible to each other and the communal living space. Mr. Quijano said site hosts live on the site and help ensure that the rules are followed. He said the key to success is getting to know all of the participants, understanding their needs and fostering a sense of community.

- → Councilmember Stokes moved to direct staff to return with a resolution authorizing an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement and Lease Agreement with 4 Tomorrow to extend the Safe Parking Program at Lincoln Center or another location through 2026. Councilmember Zahn seconded the motion.
- $\rightarrow$  The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.
- 11. Land Use: None.
- 12. <u>Other Ordinances, Resolutions, and Motions</u>: None.
- 13. <u>Written Reports</u>: None.
- 14. <u>Unfinished Business</u>: None.
- 15. <u>New Business</u>: None.
- 16. <u>Executive Session</u>: None.
- 17. Adjournment

At 8:42 p.m., Deputy Mayor Malakoutian declared the meeting adjourned.

Charmaine Arredondo, CMC City Clerk

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