

CITY OF BELLEVUE
CITY COUNCIL

Summary Minutes of Study Session

November 7, 2016
6:00 p.m.

Council Conference Room
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Mayor Stokes, Deputy Mayor Chelminiak, and Councilmembers Robertson, Slatter, and Wallace

ABSENT: Councilmembers Lee and Robinson

1. Executive Session

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m., with Mayor Stokes presiding. There was no Executive Session.

2. Study Session

- (a) Human Services Commission's recommended use of 2017-2018 Human Services Fund and 2017 federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

City Manager Brad Miyake introduced staff's presentation on the Human Services Commission's recommended use of 2017-2018 Human Services Fund and 2017 federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. Mr. Miyake said adoption of the recommendations is scheduled to occur with the Council's adoption of the City's overall budget.

Parks and Community Services Director Patrick Foran noted that six of the seven Human Services Commissioners were present in the audience: Chair Jim McEachran, Vice Chair Carla Villar, Judith Mercer, John Bruels, Ann Oxreider, and Michelle Kline. He thanked them for coming.

Mr. Foran said the two revenue sources are part of the Budget One process and are included in the proposed budget under the Outcome of Quality Neighborhoods/Innovative, Vibrant and Caring Community.

Dee Dee Catalano, Grant Coordinator, provided an overview of Community Development Block Grant funding and program income history since 2012. The CDBG program requires that

projects are located in Bellevue, funds are spent in a timely manner, and that no more than 1.5 times the annual entitled amount is in the HUD account at the end of the year. Ms. Catalano said ARCH (A Regional Coalition for Housing) did not apply for CDBG funding in 2017 because the partnership did not have an appropriate project in Bellevue.

Ms. Catalano said the Human Services Fund received 97 applications from 59 nonprofit agencies, with requests totaling \$4.4 million. The available 2017 budget is \$3.4 million. Ms. Catalano said the Commission considered four issues in determining funding: 1) affordable housing for low and moderate income residents, 2) support for the increasing population of older adults and disabled individuals, 3) expanded culturally appropriate services as the community becomes increasingly diverse, and 4) improved transportation to access human services and employment opportunities.

Emily Leslie, Human Services Manager, said the total recommended funding for 2017 is \$4,354,572 (\$3,431,425 for the Human Services Fund and \$923,147 in CDBG funds). She said details on the Human Services Fund recommendations are provided in Attachment A of the meeting packet, and CDBG details are provided in Attachment B. The CDBG recommendations are divided into three areas: 1) public service projects, 2) planning activities and grant administration, and 3) capital projects and programs. Ms. Leslie said Attachment C outlines a contingency plan because the final amount of funding is unknown.

Ms. Leslie reminded the Council that the Commission used the 2015-2016 Human Services Needs Update as its guide. Each of the 97 applications were reviewed several times, according to criteria previously established by the Council. The Commission completed its funding recommendations on October 4.

Human Services Commission Chair Jim McEachran commended staff for their professionalism and dedication in steering the Commission through the process. He said the recommendations are consistent with the needs summarized in the Comprehensive Plan under five goals: 1) food to eat and a roof overhead, 2) supportive relationships within families, neighborhoods and communities, 3) a safe haven from violence and abuse, 4) health care, and 5) education and job skills to lead an independent life.

Mr. McEachran said the Commission used the following focus areas in its review of 2017-2018 funding requests: 1) housing with services, 2) support for employment and skills, 3) services allowing older adults and people with disabilities to remain independent, and 4) a continuum of services for children, youth and families to help them succeed in school and life.

Mr. McEachran said most currently funded programs that are meeting their contract goals and providing critical services were recommended for continued funding. The Commission recommends award levels above the rate of inflation for 12 ongoing programs in the categories of housing with services, early learning programs, services for senior adults to remain in their homes, domestic violence programs, emergency food, and other basic needs. The additional \$150,000 included in the budget for homelessness services allowed several emergency shelters, day centers and outreach services to be fully funded.

Mr. McEachran said 28 new funding requests were received. The Commission recommends funding for six of those programs, which were selected because they address one of the focus areas or were identified as needs in the 2015-2016 Needs Update. The six programs are Catholic Community Services' Eastside winter shelter for families, Catholic Community Services' New Bethlehem day center for families, Friends of Youth, Homeless Youth Outreach, LifeWire's housing stability program, and AtWork Community Access. Mr. McEachran said the Commission prepared a contingency plan outlining recommendations for adding or deleting grant funds based on the final available funding.

Deputy Mayor Chelminiak thanked the Human Services Commission for its significant work in reviewing the applications and developing its funding recommendations. He concurred with the recommendation for increased funding to address homelessness, and noted that other Eastside cities are increasing funding for homelessness and affordable housing priorities as well.

Councilmember Wallace said he appreciated the Commission's hard work and thorough review in developing its recommendations. He noted the contribution of \$150,000 annually to Congregations for the Homeless, which operates a facility for up to 100 men as a low-barrier shelter. He questioned whether that is for the proposed Eastgate facility. Ms. Leslie said the funding is for the existing program and facility, which will move to Lincoln Center soon. Mr. Wallace expressed support for the overall funding recommendations.

Councilmember Slatter thanked the Commission for its hard work and the data they use to establish their recommendations. She observed that the Human Services Needs survey is important in documenting the changing demographics and needs of the community. She thanked the Commission for adding newly funded programs.

Ms. Slatter reflected on a comment she has heard from the public about how to balance diversity while also addressing the community's overarching needs. As Bellevue becomes increasingly diverse, she questioned how the Commission sees itself moving forward as the community's demographics continue to evolve.

Mr. Foran said that all Boards and Commissions are asked to integrate concepts in the Diversity Advantage plan into their work. He noted efforts to increase the diversity of individuals serving on Boards and Commissions. He said the concept of equity acknowledges that individuals do not start at the same place and/or have the same advantages. Mr. Foran said the City's cultural competency training is available to Board and Commission members.

Mr. McEachran said the Commission looks at each funding application to determine whether there is cultural sensitivity and how it might be addressed. He said the City works with new populations through group panels, which begins the conversation to learn about community needs and to focus attention on creating sustainability for everyone.

Councilmember Slatter said Mr. McEachran mentioned earlier that the Commission is interested in whether groups have diverse funding sources. Ms. Leslie said the City looks at funding from

both public and private sources, including whether an organization conducts its own fundraising efforts. She said that Bellevue's funding contributions are typically 6-10 percent of the programs' budgets.

Ms. Slatter observed that regional collaboration is important. She said it would be helpful for staff to provide feedback on the Council's ongoing work with regional agencies and jurisdictions. Mr. McEachran said that Eastside cities have held joint Human Services Commissions/Boards meetings to enhance regional coordination, and Bellevue has been a leader in helping other cities establish their Human Services Commissions/Boards.

Mr. Foran said the Eastside Human Services Forum is an ongoing collaboration of elected officials as well.

Mayor Stokes said that combining parks, human services, and community services within one department is a positive way to focus on balancing the issues and needs that affect the community. He thanked the Human Services Commission for their work over the years to guide the Council in its funding priorities. He said the Highland Village situation provided the opportunity for the City and others to make some hard decisions to focus on affordable housing.

Mr. Stokes said he and Judith Mercer worked together in 2008 on the Parks Levy, and he worked with Ann Oxreider when he was involved with the Bellevue School District. He thanked everyone for their good work.

(b) Preliminary 2017-2018 Operating Budget and the 2017-2023 Capital Investment Program (CIP) Plan.

City Manager Miyake introduced discussion of the Preliminary 2017-2018 Operating Budget and the 2017-2023 Capital Investment Program (CIP) Plan. He noted that staff is available for individual Councilmember briefings in preparation for the adoption of the budget.

Toni Call, Interim Finance Director, highlighted the calendar for the remaining budget process. Study Session discussions are scheduled for November 14, 21, and 28 in anticipation of budget adoption on December 5. The third budget public hearing is scheduled for November 21.

Ms. Call said the 2017-2018 Budget totals \$1.513 billion, including \$413 million in the Capital Investment Program (CIP) Plan. She said the potential impact of the pending TIFIA (Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act) loan and the City's two ballot measures is not reflected in the budget. Staff will return to the Council next year to make the appropriate adjustments, if necessary.

David Baldwin, Budget Division Manager, said the Operating and Special Purpose Fund Budget totals \$1.1 billion, with \$65 million of that in the latter. The operating portion includes Police, Fire, Parks, Planning and Community Development, Transportation, Development Services, and Utilities, as well as administrative functions such as the City Council, City Manager's Office, Information Technology, City Clerk's Office, City Attorney's Office, Finance, Service First,

Fleet Services, and Facilities. Special purpose funds are restricted in their use to a specific purpose, including the Grants Fund and the Firemen's Pension Fund.

Mr. Baldwin described a table depicting the operating areas and how they fall within the six budget Outcome areas. More information on the Outcomes is provided in Attachment E of the meeting packet and in the Preliminary Budget documents. That information provides value statements based on community input, strategic target areas from the Council Vision, and City programs and services focused on meeting the identified needs. The departmental results teams developed and ranked budget proposals for each Outcome area.

Mr. Baldwin said the total operating budget reflected on the table noted above is \$788,200,000, which differs from the previously stated budget of \$1 billion because the City eliminated double budgeting and the table does not include reserves.

Mr. Baldwin commented on the three major themes of the operating budget: 1) funds Council priorities, 2) maintains operations with modest growth, and 3) funds reserves to manage risk.

Responding to Councilmember Wallace, Ms. Call said health insurance expenses are contained within each functional area.

Mr. Wallace requested clarification regarding the objective of tonight's budget discussion. Mayor Stokes said the intent is to provide an overview and to address the budget in greater detail in future Study Sessions. In further response, City Manager Miyake said staff will present the Utilities budget and Development Services budget on November 14. The following discussions are dedicated to following up on the Council's questions and feedback.

Deputy Mayor Chelminiak said certain Councilmembers have submitted specific budget requests. He suggested placing those items on the record tonight and noted that he has a question about the Utilities budget before the following week's discussion.

Mayor Stokes said the plan for tonight's agenda item was to complete the presentation before Council discussion.

Continuing, Mr. Baldwin said the budget links to Council priorities including economic development, Smart City initiatives, the winter shelter, and Eastside Pathways. The Operating and Special Purpose Funds budget increases by three percent annually. Personnel costs increase 3.3 percent and maintenance and operations (M&O) costs increase by 2.5 percent, over the two-year budget. The City will continue to build reserves in 2017 and 2018 to assist in addressing potential near-term risks.

Ms. Call provided an overview of the 2017-2023 General Capital Investment Program (CIP) Plan, which totals \$485 million over seven years. It advances Council priorities, meets debt obligations, and responds to needs related to transportation and mobility, Parks levy commitments, and neighborhood investments. Projects include Meydenbauer Bay Park Phase 1

development, Smart City items, Downtown Livability, Grand Connection, Eastside Rail Corridor, and hearing accessibility for public spaces.

Ms. Call recalled that the Council asked staff to develop a concept for a multicultural center. New CIP projects include light rail station area planning implementation, Downtown Livability items, Civic Center planning, Grand Connection implementation, 124th Avenue NE at SR 520, BelRed corridor local street network, and West Lake Sammamish Parkway Phase 3.

Ms. Call described the CIP by budget Outcome areas: 1) Debt service, 35%; 2) Improved Mobility and Connectivity, 35%; 3) Quality Neighborhoods/Innovative, Vibrant and Caring Community, 18%; 4) Economic Growth and Competitiveness, 3%; 5) Responsive Government, 2%, and 6) Safe Community, 7%.

Ms. Call said known items for further discussion and Council direction include the multicultural center feasibility study, Eastside Pathways, parental leave analysis, Larsen Lake restrooms, and two community requests (Pacific Northwest Ballet and Housing Development Consortium). The criteria for addressing community requests are: 1) sustainable long-term financial model, 2) clearly defined public benefits, 3) City involvement in financial oversight, 4) investment in a facility or in the operation of a facility, and 5) cannot be used for fundraising. Staff proposes the following additional criteria: 1) how well the request responds to Council priorities, 2) how well the request responds to Council direction, and 3) project feasibility and readiness for investment.

Deputy Mayor Chelminiak questioned the public benefit of the multicultural center and Eastside Pathways investments. With regard to the multicultural center, he said it is important to conduct a broad audit of existing or planned facilities (e.g., Bellevue Youth Theatre, Tateuchi Center) and to determine where gaps exist in meeting the intended objectives of the multicultural center. He observed that the Pacific Northwest Ballet request falls into this area. Mr. Chelminiak said he wants to be sure that the goals and public benefit for investment options are clearly understood.

Mr. Chelminiak questioned the policy decision made six years ago to close park restrooms, including those at Larsen Lake, due to budget constraints. He would like Parks staff to develop a reasonable recommendation regarding suggested operating hours and estimated costs. He said the economy is improving, and he would like to be able to keep all restrooms in parks open.

Mr. Chelminiak referenced utilities rates and expressed interest in the potential impact of the City's ongoing relationship with King County beyond 2023 for solid waste services. He suggested that a second transfer station will be needed in Bellevue. He estimated that a City-operated, second transfer station would cost \$50 million to \$60 million.

Mr. Chelminiak noted the difficulty in siting transfer stations. He suggested it would be helpful to begin discussing potential budget impacts.

Responding to Councilmember Wallace, Deputy Mayor Chelminiak clarified that he was not suggesting setting aside funds in the 2017-2018 budget. Mr. Chelminiak said the City has already expressed an interest in operating its own solid waste program. He does not see anything in the

CIP budget to address siting a location, acquiring property, and other related activities. Mr. Chelminiak said the Council should understand the commitment for future Councils should the City proceed with its own program and facility. He suggested it would be helpful to have Utilities Department and Intergovernmental Relations staff begin developing potential costs.

Responding to Mayor Stokes, Mr. Chelminiak said his understanding is that the City will be out of the King County system by 2028. Mr. Stokes opined that a final decision has not been made. Councilmember Wallace recalled that the Council determined it would not make sense to enter into the extended contract term proposed by the County, and that options would be further analyzed. He said there has been little study in the development of options.

Councilmember Robertson recalled that the Council decided it was not ready to agree to a contract extension so far in advance, especially with a relatively one-sided agreement potentially favoring King County. Ms. Robertson said there was also discussion about not committing too far into the future because technology and options for handling solid waste are changing. She agreed it would be appropriate to add money to the budget for a study of options. She believes there are opportunities beyond the two options of staying with the County or building a City-operated facility. There are cities that contract with vendors who transfer the solid waste to other locations. Ms. Robertson said it would be helpful to hear from staff about the right timing for initiating a study.

Joyce Nichols, Intergovernmental Relations Director, said the City gave notice to the County that it would leave the system when the current contract expires in 2028. Other cities signed a contract with a term extending to 2040. The Council decided against signing the longer contract because a near-term decision is pending regarding how long the Cedar Hills landfill will continue to operate. The County's services are most likely less expensive as long as the landfill remains open. The City was reluctant to commit to an unknown future decision by the County after the landfill closes, especially given the prospect of new technologies and options. Ms. Nichols said the Utilities Department conducted an early analysis of potential options beyond 2028.

Utilities Director Nav Otal said the options identified to date are feasible and relatively equivalent in costs. The timing for a formal study would be within the next two to three years, as suggested by Deputy Mayor Chelminiak. Ms. Otal said a final option should be identified within the next two to three years.

Responding to Councilmember Robertson, Ms. Otal said a more in-depth analysis will be necessary, especially if the Council's preference is a City-operated transfer station.

Councilmember Robertson asked staff to provide a proposal describing the appropriate timing and estimated cost of further study. Ms. Otal suggested that \$150,000 in the 2017-2018 budget would be adequate for further study.

Deputy Mayor Chelminiak said the choices involve taking the solid waste to a nearby private facility or to a private facility in Seattle.

Ms. Otal offered to respond with more information and to add the necessary funding to the budget. Ms. Nichols suggested it would be helpful for the Council, as it considers whether to proceed with further study, to learn about changes within King County's Solid Waste Division since the Council's last discussion approximately two to three years ago.

Mayor Stokes concurred with Ms. Nichols' suggestion to review the County's most current plan.

Councilmember Slatter said affordable housing is a Council priority, and the Council looks forward to receiving input from the Technical Advisory Group (TAG). She questioned where affordable housing is included in the budget.

Ms. Call said she anticipates that the CIP Plan will be the appropriate place for affordable housing funding. Responding to Ms. Slatter, Ms. Call said there is a longstanding Council contingency project in the CIP Plan of approximately \$7 million, which could be directed toward affordable housing items. In further response, Ms. Call said the Council could also use ending fund balance dollars in the operating budget reserves. Ms. Slatter said she would like to discuss that further next year when the TAG presents its findings to the Council.

Ms. Slatter said she is interested in looking at economic trends. She would like to understand the City's targets and measures for determining program effectiveness for a number of the budget items (e.g., Eastside Pathways).

Councilmember Slatter expressed support for a needs assessment related to diversity issues. She suggested linking that work to the study of a multicultural center.

Ms. Slatter observed that auto sales in Bellevue are decreasing, which is one measure of the health of the local economy. She questioned whether permitting activity is an indicator as well related to fluctuations in the economy. She questioned how Bellevue's B&O tax compares to other cities.

With regard to development services, Ms. Slatter said citizens are concerned about the time required for permit review. She is interested in dashboards and tracking mechanisms, and would like to understand how trends are monitored over time.

Responding to Councilmember Robertson, Ms. Call said staff will provide more information on Miscellaneous Non-Departmental (MND) dollars.

Responding to Ms. Robertson, Ms. Call said the Finance Department budget includes debt service payments and a number of other items. The department has 49 full-time equivalent (FTE) staff positions. Ms. Call will provide additional information.

Councilmember Robertson said the City has received inquiries about the closure of park restrooms at Larsen Lake and other locations. She requested information on which parks are affected and on the Parks and Community Services Department's plans for restoring restroom operations.

Ms. Robertson recalled that she previously requested a comparison with other cities of rates for individual utilities, in addition to the information already presented comparing the combined costs. She is interested in more information on stormwater services.

Ms. Robertson said she previously suggested a study of parental leave, and she understands that a study of overall employee compensation is underway. She asked staff to provide the timing of that study and the presentation of the information to the Council. Ms. Robertson said she would like to consider the results of that work during next year's mid-biennium budget review. Councilmember Slatter concurred.

Responding to Ms. Call, Ms. Robertson clarified her request regarding utility rates, which is an interest in the drivers of each utility's rates. For example, water rates are largely determined by the fact that Bellevue does not have its own water source. Ms. Robertson said Bellevue's stormwater utility rates are the lowest in the region, and it would be helpful to understand the contributing factors in Bellevue's rates versus other cities. Mayor Stokes said that information is likely available through the Cascade Water Alliance.

Councilmember Slatter said that, based on what she has learned as Council liaison to the Environmental Services Commission, one factor contributing to the different rates can be the relative emphasis on infrastructure investments.

Councilmember Wallace suggested that, with regard to the future review of the operating budget, the Council and staff examine certain areas that could be tightened up, including the future sustainability of the operating budget and the B&O tax. He would like to dedicate time in 2017 to discussing the long-term operating and capital budgets and the broader underlying assumptions.

Mayor Stokes concurred with Mr. Wallace and suggested starting those discussions early in next year's mid-biennium budget process.

Mr. Wallace said the Council needs to discuss animal control services next year. His understanding is that the City of Kirkland is considering discontinuing its agreement with King County for those services. He said it might be more cost-effective at that point to consider partnering with Kirkland or providing Bellevue's own services.

Mr. Wallace said the City's health care costs are significant. He said it is important to continue to evaluate those costs and how they might be reduced.

Councilmember Wallace requested information on how the impacts of funding LEOFF 1 reserves and losing the annexation tax credit are reflected in the budget. Mr. Wallace requested information on the Council Advancement item of \$1 million.

Mr. Wallace summarized his interest in the topics of the operating budget ending fund balance, MND budgeting, and Council contingency items, as well as CIP Plan short-term borrowing.

Mr. Wallace said the CIP Plan includes short-term borrowing of \$17 million in 2017. A note on the plan documents indicates that historically the City spends 65-80 percent of the annual budget, and therefore additional borrowing is not anticipated. However, he observed that surplus funds for line items are carried over and ultimately expended. Ms. Call said the \$17 million is modeled to be included in the CIP Plan. She said CIP Plans are typically substantially front-loaded, and unspent funds continue to roll forward. She said that, since the City has never spent more than 85 percent of its CIP Plan funding, short-term borrowing is not likely to be needed in the foreseeable future. Ms. Call said staff is obligated to present a seven-year modeled CIP Plan, even if short-term borrowing is not anticipated.

Referring to the operating budget, Mr. Wallace requested information depicting spending for each line item in the 2015-2016 budget compared to the 2017-2018 budget. Ms. Call said staff would work on developing that comparison. Mr. Wallace said it would be helpful to be able to easily identify spending increases and decreases for particular line items. For example, it would be helpful to see how health care costs have increased over time.

With regard to the CIP Plan, Deputy Mayor Chelminiak questioned the work included in the Fire Facilities Master Plan budget item. Ms. Call said the item includes Station 10 downtown land acquisition and rebuilding Station 5 on Clyde Hill. The latter is slated for 2020-2021. Station 10 construction is not in the CIP Plan. However, it will be funded if the ballot measure is approved by voters.

Mr. Chelminiak noted the issue of Station 10 staffing and equipment. He recalled past Council discussion regarding the potential use of the property tax to fund Station 10 equipment. He questioned when that topic will be addressed again with the Council. He observed it will be important to incorporate that into a future financial forecast. City Manager Miyake said staff plans a discussion of that topic in early 2017.

Councilmember Wallace concurred with the need to begin to address Station 10 staffing and equipment.

Mr. Chelminiak said he would like further Council discussion in the near term regarding Station 10 siting and possible alternate sites, including City-owned properties. He is not certain whether the currently identified site is the best alternative.

Councilmember Robertson said she thought the Council provided direction to staff to purchase the property. She said Ashwood Park and the area was considered in past discussions as a potential location.

While not related to the immediate budget process, Ms. Robertson concurred with Councilmember Wallace that the City should study options for animal control services. She said recent news indicates that King County used a service that data-mined individuals' frequent shopper cards and sent enforcement letters to everyone who has ever bought pet food from

Target or Kroger's. She finds that incredibly intrusive and inappropriate for a government program.

Councilmember Robertson requested follow-up information on the reason for the data-mining and letters. She observed that this should bother everyone on the Council, despite the importance of animal control enforcement. She looks forward to a broader discussion next year.

Councilmember Wallace referenced the Economic Growth and Competitiveness area of the capital budget and questioned the three line items: community network connectivity, expanded community connectivity, and competitiveness and collaboration. Ms. Call said the latter project ends in 2020 and is part of the economic development program. Planning Director Dan Stroh said those funds are linked to the Impact Hub program, which is located in a building to be demolished by Sound Transit. Funds will be used to relocate the program and to initiate the Startup 425 Entrepreneur Center.

In further response to Mr. Wallace, Interim Chief Information Officer Sabra Schneider said the expanded community connectivity item refers to expanding the City's free outdoor Wi-Fi service. This item supports Smart City efforts and the objective of social equity for Bellevue's most vulnerable residents. She said community network connectivity expands and maintains the current fiber network, which will allow the City to execute a number of Smart City initiatives.

Mr. Wallace questioned the City's efforts to evaluate current technology and to avoid investing in technology that will become outdated. Ms. Schneider said the City is exploring 5G technology. She noted that she and the City Manager discussed this issue the previous week. She offered to come back to the Council to present staff's research in this area.

Councilmember Wallace said he would like to take a broader look at the Smart City strategy and to consider allocating a larger amount to that strategy, with the connectivity elements as components of the overall strategy. He encouraged a more comprehensive approach to all Smart City initiatives. Responding to Mr. Wallace's question about additional connectivity projects, Ms. Schneider said the two connectivity line items under discussion directly support the connectivity needed for Smart City projects. There is a long list of CIP and some General Fund projects that tie into the Smart City approach as well. Mr. Wallace said it would be helpful to have a list of all of the components. Related to that topic, Councilmember Slatter requested more information on the interoperability piece.

Mayor Stokes highlighted upcoming budget discussions on November 14, 21 and 28, with budget adoption anticipated on December 5. The third budget public hearing will be held on November 21.

Deputy Mayor Chelminiak suggested that the Council be prepared to provide final direction to staff on November 28 regarding budget items.

Councilmember Slatter noted that the budget contains the minimum dollar amount, without including the potential levies, future staffing, and other items. She asked staff to provide budget figures for the scenario that adds those items.

Responding to Mayor Stokes, City Manager Miyake said staff's understanding regarding Eastside Pathways is that the Council asked staff to provide a proposal and to respond to previous questions. At that time, the Council will determine whether to include funding for that item in the budget. Ms. Call said she heard the Council's interest in the performance metrics, needs assessment, and outcomes.

3. Council Business [*Regular Session Agenda Item 7*]

Mayor Stokes noted requests from Councilmembers Lee and Robinson to participate remotely for Agenda Item 11 during the later Regular Session.

- Deputy Mayor Chelminiak moved to allow Councilmembers Lee and Robinson to participate remotely during the discussions and actions under Regular Session Agenda Items 11(a) and 11(b). Councilmember Robertson seconded the motion.
- The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Deputy Mayor Chelminiak said Councilmember Robinson requested approval to participate remotely for the November 14 meeting.

- Deputy Mayor Chelminiak moved to allow Councilmember Robinson to participate remotely for the November 14, 2016, Extended Study Session. Councilmember Robertson seconded the motion.
- The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

At 7:56 p.m., Mayor Stokes declared recess to the Regular Session.

Kyle Stannert, CMC
City Clerk

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