



**CITY OF WASHOUGAL
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
MINUTES
Monday, May 22, 2023
5:00 PM**

MEETING INFORMATION

Please click the link below to join the webinar:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81365079873>

VIDEO I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stuebe called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor David Stuebe and Councilmembers Janice Killion, Molly Coston, Julie Russell, Ernie Suggs, and David Fritz **Absent:** Councilmember Michelle Wagner

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Nancy Carkin commented on the development on the northwest side of the city requesting an update. **Mitch** provided history and approved land use entitlements on the project and invited Nancy to visit his office for further discussion.

Larry Keister, Port Commissioner, explained the grant funding received in the amount of two million required to remove bark chips on the waterfront property which all needs to be removed prior to the development. The RKM will begin the infrastructure development next spring. He reflected on ports within the state meeting in Spokane noting topics such as repurposing existing infrastructure and buildings and workforce housing.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

VIDEO A. Community Development: Block 8 Multi-Family Housing Tax Exemption

Mitch Kneipp presented the following:

- Property Location / Elevations / Renderings
- Application Materials
- Purpose & Intent of the Multi-Family Housing Tax Exemption
- Project Eligibility
- Standards and Guidelines
- Recommended Action to set the public hearing for June 12th at 7 pm

Council discussed rental rate criteria, opportunity zones, unit square footage, and tax exemption history.

Applicant, Carly, was in attendance to answer questions.

VIDEO B. Finance: 2023 Supplemental Budget

Daniel Layer presented the expenses not originally incorporated in the adopted budget.

- 2023 Supplemental Budget by Fund

- General fund expenditures
- Total increases revenue and expenditures
- Street & Cemetery Funds (PW Reorganization)
- First Quarter Percent REET Fund
- Parks Capital Fund
- Capital Outlays
- Strategic Plan Implementation Fund
- Facilities Capital Project Fund
- Transportation Capital Project Fund
- Water/Sewer Fund
- Water/Sewer Trust Fund Loan
- Water/Sewer Bonded Capital
- Stormwater Fund
- ER&R Fund
- 2023 Supplemental Budget Key Items
 - American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds
 - Solid Waste Revenue Applied to the Street Fund
- 2023 Supplemental Budget Summary total expenditures

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Holly Metzner inquired about the tax implication of the Block 8 development.

David Scott explained that this project would not be moving forward without the exemption incentive.

Mitch Kneipp provided the tax dollar amount currently being received for the Block 8.

VIDEO VI. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. CITY MANAGER

David Scott reported on the passing of former employee Suzanne Grover.

Rose Jewell shared details regarding the Memorial Day Ceremony and the Parks and Cemetery Board applications to be considered at the council meeting.

Dave Scott reminded everyone that the next meeting will be on June 12th due to the 5th Monday in May.

B. MAYOR

Deferred to the regular meeting.

C. CITY COUNCIL

Councilmember Fritz noted he would be absent on June 12th.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting ended at 6:13 pm.

City Clerk