



**CITY OF LYNNWOOD
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
June 1, 2021**

1. Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Member Christine Frizzell
Member Ruth Ross
Member Shannon Sessions
Mayor Nicola Smith
President George Hurst
Member Jim Smith
Member Julieta Altamirano-Crosby

Mr. Patrick Decker was sworn in as a councilmember to fill position #2.

2. Oath of Office

2.A Oath of Office - Council Position #2

Judge Stephen Moore administered the oath of office to Patrick Decker for position 2 on the council. Mr. Decker thanked the council and spoke about his hopes in serving the community. Mayor Smith asked that roll call be amended to include Mr. Decker.

3. Work Session Item

3.A Briefing: Regional Growth Center Subarea Planning

Community Planning Manager Ashley Winchell and City Center Program Manager Karl Almgren provided a briefing on the Regional Growth Center and addressed the sub-area planning. Winchell explained that this plan is in concert with all of the regional plans for growth and transit. Almgren discussed the details of the ST3 projects. Council members were given the opportunity to ask questions and make comments.

3.B Discussion: New drug possession laws

Chief James Nelson provided an overview of the recent changes to state law

regarding the possession of drugs. A recent court ruling led to the changes. An ordinance will come forward at the next work session to adopt the new state statutes by reference.

- 3.C Briefing No. 4/6: Transportation; Operations and Maintenance Update
Director Bill Franz, Manager Jared Bond, and Supervisor Rus Kroshko provided a briefing and discussion of the status of transportation with a focus on the operations and maintenance of streets in the city. The team shared the status of the department and scope of work. The budget has not kept up with the rest of the city budget and staff size is smaller than in 1991.

Council members asked questions and made comments. Council Vice President asked them to look at 10 and 15 years ago what the budget looked like in today's dollars. Councilmember Altamirano-Crosby suggested that they send out the job opportunities to the BIPOC community in Spanish and other languages. There are a lot of people who want to work which could help fill the positions they have not been able to fill.

4. Mayor Comments and Questions

None

5. Council Comments

Council President Hurst appointed councilmember Decker as council liason to the Planning Commission, replacing Hurst. Councilmembers welcomed Mr. Decker to the council. A question was asked about the status of the survey. Councilmember Altamirano-Crosby stated that the task group is drafting it now and will send to councilmembers for review.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32.

Nicola Smith

Nicola Smith (Jun 16, 2021 17:56 PDT)

Nicola Smith, Mayor