

City of Auburn
City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 21, 2024

The Auburn City Council met in regular session at 7:00 pm on Monday, October 21, 2024, in the council chambers of Auburn City Hall.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

Presiding: Mayor Brown

Present: Council Members Bryan, Randles, Harper, Benaka, Trower

City Attorney Luckman, Chief Smart, Superintendent Clinkenbeard, City Clerk Temple

Absent:

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Previous Meeting Minutes

October 7, 2024, meeting minutes reviewed. Council Member Trower motioned to approve the meeting minutes. Council Member Randles seconded the motion. Motion approved Unanimous.

Question of Bills

Detailed report of payment of invoices and checks included in meeting packet for all to review. Council Member Bryan motioned to approve the accounts payable ledger of \$87,872.58 including Payroll. Council Member Harper seconded the motion. Motion approved Unanimous.

Citizens Forum

Sharon Hester with AVA reported an update for the Trunk-or-Treat event.

Sharon also reported that the Auburn Community Hog Roast event is scheduled for Sunday, October 27, 2024.

Chief Smart

None.

City Attorney Todd Luckman

Reported the appraisal of the L. Lee property has been completed. The land is valued at \$7,000 plus appraiser fees of \$2,100. Council Member Harper motioned to pay the expense of \$9,100 for the purchase of the land. Council Member Randles seconded the motion. Motion approved Unanimous.

Presented Annexation of Surrounding Property Memorandum.

Superintendent Clinkenbeard

Presented options to replace dying trees to provide a barrier at Heritage Park. Council Member Bryan motioned to approve \$1,200 for the purchase of 16 large rocks to replace the trees. Council Member Randles seconded. Motion approved Unanimous.

Reported the city parks have been winterized and currently crack sealing streets.

Council Member Bryan pointed out the merry-go-round is rusting. Options were discussed. Superintendent Clinkenbeard will follow-up with pricing.

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Presented Russell Shipley's 2024 audit engagement letter. His fee for services will not exceed \$8,000. Council Member Trower motioned to approve the expense not to exceed \$8,000 to engage the services of Shipley CPA, LLC. Council Member Bryan seconded the motion. Motion approved Unanimous.

New Business

Council Member Randles reported community member suggestions for things to do in Auburn such as a haunted house, Valentine's dinner, and Veterans event.

Council Member Bryan reported that the AARP grant for the Gazebo in Heritage Park has been completed.

The next Parks and Rec committee meeting is November 11, 2024, at 6:00pm at the community center.

The annual Christmas tree lighting is tentatively set for December 7, 2024.

Adjourn

Council Member Randles motioned to adjourn. Council Member Trower seconded the motion. Motion approved Unanimous.

Signature of Approval Mark E. Bryan

Date 10-4-2024