



MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2025 7:00 PM

EVERETT CITY HALL, 484 BROADWAY, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 3RD FLOOR
EVERETT, MA 02149

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ROLL CALL

Members Present

Guerline Alcy Jabouin, Anthony DiPierro, Holly Garcia, John Hanlon, Michael Marchese, Wayne Matewsky, Peter Pietrantonio, Katy Rogers, Stephanie Smith, Robert Van Campen, Stephanie Martins

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **C0141-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order to amend the City of Everett's Administrative Code to create a separate and distinct position of City Auditor.

Public Hearing was held and 2 residents spoke in favor and one spoke against the Administrative Code amendment.

Paula Sterite, Resident, spoke in favor of this order, stating it was recommended by the Inspector General's report to avoid issues like the undisclosed \$180,000 in payments. She also suggested the CFO's salary should be reduced with reduced responsibilities.

Peggy Serino, Resident, spoke in favor, saying if this separation of roles had been in place earlier, the current issues with the \$180,000 in payments could have been avoided. She stated the mayor knew he should not have received this money.

Mary Fortin, Resident, spoke against the order, stating "it's just not right". The Hearing was then closed after the third speaker.

Councilor Stephanie Smith stated she is against this order because the auditor

position still reports to the mayor rather than an independent authority. She said this does not provide sufficient independent oversight as recommended.

Councilor Robert Van Campen expressed concerns that no one from the administration was present at the committee meeting to answer questions. He wanted to work with the administration to get this right based on the Inspector General's recommendations.

Councilor Michael Marchese called for a vote in favor, stating if it's a start toward the Inspector General's recommendations, the Council should approve it.

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| MOTION: | Postpone |
| MOVER: | Robert Van Campen |
| SECONDER: | Anthony DiPierro |
| RESULT: | Passed [0 TO 0] |
| AYES: | |
| NAYS: | |
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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

2. C0147-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting the confirmation on the re-appointment of Maeve Kernan to the Conservation Commission for a term of Three (3) years, expiring May 1, 2028

The item was referred to the Legislative Affairs committee.

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| MOTION: | Refer |
| MOVER: | Robert Van Campen |
| SECONDER: | John Hanlon |
| RESULT: | Passed [0 TO 0] |
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3. C0149-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting consideration of a proposed Tax Increment Finance (TIF) agreement between the City of Everett and The Sofia 2nd Street Owner, LLC

pertaining to a mixed use redevelopment to be located at 380 Second Street

Councilor Wayne Matewsky moved to suspend the rules and take up this item out of order, inviting Scott Brown, president of the development company, to provide a presentation. Mr. Brown provided details on the proposed 620-unit, 21-story mixed-use development at 380 Second Street. Key points:

- It will be 100% union built by Suffolk Construction
- Will include 31 affordable units, with 24 for veterans
- Estimated to create 1,342 union jobs during construction and 52 full-time jobs once operating
- A 14-year TIF agreement is proposed to make the project financially feasible in the current high interest rate environment; alternative would be a smaller project generating less tax revenue
- Traffic and parking impacts were raised as concerns by councilors

The item was ultimately referred to a special meeting by unanimous vote for further discussion, with city officials also to be invited to that meeting to address the TIF proposal.

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| MOTION: | Refer |
| MOVER: | Robert Van Campen |
| SECONDER: | Michael Marchese |
| RESULT: | Passed [0 TO 0] |
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4. **C0154-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting the approval to appropriate by borrowing the amount of \$200,000.00 for the Everett Police station roof improvement project.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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| MOTION: | Refer |
| MOVER: | Robert Van Campen |
| SECONDER: | Holly Garcia |
| RESULT: | Passed [0 TO 0] |
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PETITIONS AND LICENSES

5. **C0146-25** Petition/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a precious metals license for Art Gold Jewelry Inc. at 159 Main Street

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| MOTION: | Favorable Action |
| MOVER: | Robert Van Campen |
| SECONDER: | Wayne Matewsky |
| RESULT: | Passed [0 TO 0] |
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

6. **C0092-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval to authorize the City Administration to develop a municipal aggregation plan and to take any and all necessary action to prepare the plan for submission to the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities pursuant to M.G.L. c. 164, §134

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| MOTION: | Favorable Action |
| MOVER: | Robert Van Campen |
| SECONDER: | Wayne Matewsky |
| RESULT: | Passed [11 TO 0] |
| AYES: | Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen, Martins |
| NAYS: | |
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7. **C0055-25** Ordinance/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, & the entire city council

An ordinance regulating the demolition of historical structures in the City of Everett

Councilor Robert Van Campen moved to accept the committee report and for favorable action, as amended in committee. He provided a summary, noting the ordinance is intended to protect older historic structures from demolition by creating a review process through the building department and historical commission. Structures 80 years or older would be subject to review. The goal is to slow down, but not prevent, development to try to make projects better by considering alternatives to demolition. He thanked city officials and the historical commission for their input.

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| MOTION: | Enroll |
| MOVER: | Robert Van Campen |

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| SECONDER: | Michael Marchese |
| RESULT: | Passed [9 TO 0] |
| AYES: | Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen, Martins |
| NAYS: | |
| AWAY: | Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro |

8. **C0135-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval to appropriate \$6,672 from General Fund Budgetary Fund Balance (Free Cash) to pay prior year legal bills per the attached list

Councilor Stephanie Smith stated the item was amended in committee to \$6,794.43. She expressed frustration with the number of prior year bills coming before the Council, noting it is an unprecedented situation according to the city auditor. She said she will vote for it since the services were already rendered, but finds the situation "sickening".

Councilor John Hanlon asked which departments the bills were from. Clerk Sergio Cornelio stated one was from his office, one from the City Council, and one from the Solicitor's office. He explained the reason more are being seen now is due to not having encumbered funds from previous years' as we used to encumber monies from each office and pay bills that came in late or were missed at times.

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| MOTION: | Favorable Action |
| MOVER: | Stephanie Smith |
| SECONDER: | Anthony DiPierro |
| RESULT: | Passed [9 TO 1] |
| AYES: | DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen, Martins |
| NAYS: | Alcy Jabouin |
| AWAY: | Pietrantonio |

9. **C0136-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval to appropriate \$82,000 from General Fund Budgetary Fund Balance (Free Cash) to the Human Resources Local 25 benefits account. This appropriation is necessary to cover additional costs related to the three local 25 unions

Councilor Stephanie Smith questioned HR Director John Russolillo on whether this expense was budgeted for FY24, which he said it was not. She expressed serious concerns with the city's budgeting practices, noting 90% of the HR Local 25 benefits account was already spent halfway through the fiscal year on unbudgeted items. She also revealed employee withholding funds were improperly used to pay these costs. While she said the appropriation is needed, she finds the situation unbelievable.

Councilor Peter Pietrantonio agreed, saying "it's mind-boggling how we're still alive,

how we're not in bankruptcy" and that the city is lucky to have free cash to cover such gaps.

Mr. Russolillo took some responsibility, saying he should have caught the budgeting error sooner, but could not fully explain past practices. He committed to correcting it in the FY26 budget.

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| MOTION: | Favorable Action |
| MOVER: | Anthony DiPierro |
| SECONDER: | John Hanlon |
| RESULT: | Passed [5 TO 6] |
| AYES: | DiPierro, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Rogers |
| NAYS: | Alcy Jabouin, Garcia, Pietrantonio, Smith, Van Campen, Martins |
| AWAY: | |

10. C0121-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting confirmation on the appointment of Belushi Previlon to the Cultural Council for a term of three years expiring May 1, 2028

moved to accept the committee report and for favorable action

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| MOTION: | Favorable Action |
| MOVER: | Robert Van Campen |
| SECONDER: | Wayne Matewsky |
| RESULT: | Passed [11 TO 0] |
| AYES: | Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen, Martins |
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11. C0123-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting the confirmation on the re-appointment of Carol Garrett to the Council on Aging for a term of Two (2) years expiring May 1, 2027

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| MOTION: | Favorable Action |
| MOVER: | Robert Van Campen |
| SECONDER: | Stephanie Smith |
| RESULT: | Passed [11 TO 0] |
| AYES: | Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen, Martins |
| NAYS: | |
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moved to accept the committee report and for favorable action

12. C0138-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting the confirmation on the appointment of Beninson Pena to the position of City Assessor for a one-year term ending May 1, 2026

moved to accept the committee report and for favorable action

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| MOTION: | Favorable Action |
| MOVER: | Robert Van Campen |
| SECONDER: | Stephanie Smith |
| RESULT: | Passed [11 TO 0] |
| AYES: | Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen, Martins |
| NAYS: | |
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13. C0144-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting that the City Council vote to rescind its designation of the position of Board of Assessors as a special municipal employee, pursuant to MGL Chapter 268A, as of June 30, 2025

moved to accept the committee report and for favorable action, as amended to change the date to July 1, 2025

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| MOTION: | Favorable Action |
| MOVER: | Robert Van Campen |
| SECONDER: | Stephanie Smith |
| RESULT: | Passed [11 TO 0] |
| AYES: | Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen, Martins |
| NAYS: | |
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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

14. C0005-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Katy L. Rogers, & Councilor Stephanie Martins

A resolution to implement a multi-lingual City of Everett app to enhance accessibility and communication

Councilor Katy Rogers stated no official update has been received. She made a motion, which was seconded, to refer the item to the administration with a recommendation to go with the Civita app. She requested a response from the administration within a month or the Council will look into communicating directly with

Civita.

15. C0066-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins

That the administration consider providing equitable funding to support local organizations providing emergency assistance to residents

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| MOTION: | Postpone |
| MOVER: | Robert Van Campen |
| SECONDER: | Stephanie Smith |
| RESULT: | Passed [0 TO 0] |
| AYES: | |
| NAYS: | |
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16. C0073-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Peter Pietrantonio, Councilor Stephanie Martins

That a representative from National Grid appear at the next meeting to explain the power outages we had in Everett recently.

Council President Stephanie Martins stated a response was received from National Grid. Clerk Sergio Cornelio read the response, which was from John Prudente of National Grid. It acknowledged some infrastructure disruptions from windstorms in February and a couple of small outages in March, but nothing out of the ordinary. Mr. Prudente offered to provide more specifics on any particular outages of concern.

Councilor Peter Pietrantonio moved to refer the item back to the sponsor

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| MOTION: | Refer Back to Sponsor(s) |
| MOVER: | Peter Pietrantonio |
| SECONDER: | Wayne Matewsky |
| RESULT: | Passed [0 TO 0] |
| AYES: | |
| NAYS: | |
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17. C0093-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval to appropriate \$500,000 from the Capital Improvement Stabilization Fund for the costs of design services and related ancillary costs associated with the potential reuse of additional space at the former Everett High School

Councilor Stephanie Smith provided an update, noting the original question was about using the \$2.5 million in leftover ARPA funds allocated for the school roof toward this \$500,000 appropriation instead. She reported the administration stated the \$2.5 million can be reallocated to other approved ARPA uses through FY26, but cannot be

applied to this \$500,000 request, which must be funded separately. She thanked the administration for the clarification.

Councilor Smith also requested to be included on the school design committee that will be working with the architects, citing specific concerns about the building entrance location. She said it's best to provide that input upfront before designs are finalized.

Councilor Robert Van Campen commented on the importance of this school reuse project finally moving forward to address overcrowding. He expressed frustration that the administration had previously requested \$72 million for the project without any designs, and the Council had to push for this current process to get designs before approving such a large appropriation.

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| MOTION: | Favorable Action |
| MOVER: | Stephanie Smith |
| SECONDER: | Anthony DiPierro |
| RESULT: | Passed [10 TO 0] |
| AYES: | Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen, Martins |
| NAYS: | |
| AWAY: | Marchese |

18. C0102-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Holly D. Garcia

That contractors that work in the city have a designated staging area for their equipment and construction materials when they are going to be working in a designated area for more than three days

Councilor Holly Garcia reported she received a response indicating National Grid was informed their equipment on Broadway would be removed tonight. She said she has seen some improvement with equipment being moved within three days on Ferry Street. She made a motion, which was seconded, to refer the item back to the sponsor.

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| MOTION: | Refer Back to Sponsor(s) |
| MOVER: | Holly Garcia |
| SECONDER: | Wayne Matewsky |
| RESULT: | Passed [0 TO 0] |
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19. C0103-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins

That the administration provide a copy of any proposed host agreements with Jupiter Battery Storage

Council President Stephanie Martins clarified an initial request was made for a host agreement, and a response was received on April 9th stating there was no host agreement. She said a follow-up request was made for a copy of the PILOT agreement instead, but no response has been received to that yet.

Councilor Wayne Matewsky spoke at length about his opposition to the battery storage project, stating he had envisioned that area being redeveloped with hotels, restaurants, housing and parks, especially if the soccer stadium happens nearby. He felt 25 acres of battery storage was not the best use and would only create 7 permanent jobs. However, he still wanted to see a robust host agreement with a requirement for a public safety building to be provided by the developer.

Councilor John Hanlon made a motion, which was seconded, to amend the item to insert the word "lithium" to read "Jupiter Lithium Battery Storage". The amendment passed unanimously.

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| MOTION: | Postpone |
| MOVER: | John Hanlon |
| SECONDER: | Katy Rogers |
| RESULT: | Passed [0 TO 0] |
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20. C0104-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, Councilor Stephanie Martins

That the Postmaster General provides the City Council with a list of the tentative consolidating of 5 routes in the Ward 2/Ward 3 area and anything other route consolidations that are happening in Everett

Councilor Stephanie Smith assumed no communication had been received on this item. She made a motion, which was seconded, to resend the request to the postmaster via certified mail, to at least confirm receipt, as she feels the Council is being ignored.

Councilor Wayne Matewsky agreed, citing various complaints about mail service. He suggested if no response is received, the Council should seek higher levels of the postal service for answers.

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| MOVER: | Stephanie Smith |
| SECONDER: | Wayne Matewsky |
| RESULT: | Passed [0 TO 0] |
| AYES: | |
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21. C0108-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval to appropriate \$100,000 from General Fund Budgetary Fund Balance (Free Cash) to the Legal Department litigation/professional services account. This amount is requested to ensure the legal department has sufficient funds through the remainder of the fiscal year

Councilor Stephanie Smith made a motion, which was seconded, to amend the appropriation amount to \$77,000. She stated this was discussed in executive session, which is why she could not discuss the reason publicly, but this amended amount was the outcome of that executive session discussion.

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| MOTION: | Favorable Action |
| MOVER: | Stephanie Smith |
| SECONDER: | Robert Van Campen |
| RESULT: | Passed [9 TO 1] |
| AYES: | DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen, Martins |
| NAYS: | Alcy Jabouin |
| AWAY: | Matewsky |

22. C0116-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, Councilor Holly D. Garcia, Councilor Katy L. Perry

That the City shall reinstate the seasonal overflow trash collection service in both the Fall and Spring, as was customarily done in previous years. In order to discourage illegal dumping and ensure the efficient use of City resources, the City shall implement an online request system whereby residents may obtain a limited number of designated stickers per household to be used during this period

Item was amended to add Councilor Katy Rogers as a sponsor.

Councilor Smith said the city looks atrocious with trash everywhere, even in the yards of responsible homeowners, because of issues with neighboring properties. She pushed for a return of some kind of overflow trash pickup, even with limitations to prevent abuse, because residents deserve this based on the high taxes they pay. She disputed the \$48,000 cost cited by Ms. Devaney as insignificant in a nearly \$300 million city budget.

Councilor Holly Garcia agreed and suggested modeling it after the city's successful

hazardous waste drop-off program to limit abuse.

Councilor Peter Pietrantonio also supported it, noting the Christmas overflow pickup was very helpful to residents.

Ms. Deveney said the administration is willing to work with the Council to develop a limited program that provides a needed service to residents while reasonably preventing abuse by non-residents or for inappropriate materials. She committed to also addressing issues with trash falling out of trucks during pickup and implementing street sweeping towing enforcement.

Motion to request a written response from the administration within 30 days on how they will work with the Council to implement a limited overflow pickup program.

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| MOTION: | Refer |
| MOVER: | Stephanie Smith |
| SECONDER: | Katy Rogers |
| RESULT: | Passed [0 TO 0] |
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23. C0117-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, Councilor Holly D. Garcia

That the head of the Communications Department and the Administration appear at the next meeting to discuss the Communications Department resources being used exclusively for the Mayor.

Council President Stephanie Martins expressed concern that the Communications Department staff seem to be used mostly to cover mayoral events, with a lesser focus on the City Council, based on social media posts and media coverage. Photos of councilors have been omitted or removed from posts in some instances. She wanted to ensure public funds for the department are used equitably to cover the entire city government.

Ms. Deveney defended the department, noting the ECTV staff's extensive work to broadcast Council meetings. She said the City of Everett social media page is meant to cover the whole community and city government. While the Mayor has asked that councilors be included in city event photos, he will not feature councilors on his own mayoral page due to policy disagreements with the Council. However, she said there is no mayoral prohibition on ECTV staff photographing councilors.

Councilor Smith cited a specific example from the St. Patrick's Day event where photos she was in were posted by ECTV, but then removed when the Mayor arrived later, with only mayoral photos remaining. She said it's become a pattern requiring her to specifically request inclusion.

Councilor Holly Garcia asked about the practice of hiding certain public comments on social media posts, which Ms. Deveney said she would look into. She speculated it may be due to inappropriate content.

Councilor Alcy Jabouin expressed frustration that more city business posts seem to be on the Mayor's page rather than the city page. Ms. Deveney said the Mayor can post about city events on his own page as he chooses.

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| MOTION: | Refer Back to Sponsor(s) |
| MOVER: | Stephanie Martins |
| SECONDER: | Stephanie Smith |
| RESULT: | Passed [0 TO 0] |
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24. C0127-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, & The Entire City Council

That a representative from the Kraft group appear at the first meeting in May to provide a presentation on the renderings and site plans for the soccer stadium

Council President Stephanie Martins noted a community meeting on the soccer stadium project is scheduled for Wednesday, April 30th at 6:30pm at the Connolly Center and will be televised. The administration is also seeking feedback from the Council on desired community benefits to include in a host agreement.

Councilor Peter Pietrantonio felt the Kraft Group should still come before the Council to present, arguing many residents watch the Monday Council meetings for such information.

Councilor John Hanlon questioned who has approved the stadium project, as many questions remain about the plans, property acquisition, and other details.

Councilor Wayne Matewsky said the project has been reported on for over two years, with their state senator as a major proponent, so it is not a mystery. He watched the senator's recent meeting discussing the plans. While he has concerns about parking and would like to see that area developed differently, he felt the stadium would be better than the current derelict state of the site and better than a proposed battery storage project.

After further discussion, a motion was made by Council President Martins, and seconded, to refer the item to the administration and Kraft Group to request they provide an answer by June as to when they can appear before the Council for a presentation.

Motion to refer the item to the administration and Kraft Group to request an answer by June on when they can present to the Council

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| MOTION: | Refer |
| MOVER: | Stephanie Martins |
| SECONDER: | Peter Pietrantonio |
| RESULT: | Passed [0 TO 0] |
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NEW BUSINESS

25. **C0145-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval of the report and recommendations of the City of Everett 2024 – 2025 Charter Review Committee

Councilor Robert Van Campen made a motion, which was seconded, to refer the item to a special meeting of the City Council, with a request to coordinate that meeting on the same night as the meeting on the 380 Second Street TIF proposal.

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| MOTION: | Refer |
| MOVER: | Robert Van Campen |
| SECONDER: | Wayne Matewsky |
| RESULT: | Passed [0 TO 0] |
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26. **C0151-25** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, Councilor Katy L. Rogers

That ISD provide an update on baiting and overflow trash enforcement as the warm months begin

Council President Stephanie Martins noted she has received complaints and video footage from residents showing extensive rat issues, even at well-maintained properties, due to issues at neighboring properties with absentee landlords who are not addressing the problem. She is looking for solutions the city can provide, even if it requires some investment, to help impacted residents. She also noted ongoing issues with overflowing trash bags being left out improperly on trash day without being ticketed.

Council President Martins made a motion, which was seconded, to refer the item to ISD for a written response or to appear at the next Council meeting to provide an update on rodent baiting efforts and enforcement of overflow trash regulations.

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| MOTION: | Refer |
| MOVER: | Stephanie Martins |
| SECONDER: | Wayne Matewsky |
| RESULT: | Passed [0 TO 0] |
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27. C0152-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins

That the department of engineering provide an update on why it continues to take months for permit approvals and additional conditions are added after the fact delaying projects.

Council President Stephanie Martins said she has continued to receive complaints from residents that permit approvals are severely delayed once they reach the Engineering Department. In some cases, permits are approved but then later held up by Engineering adding additional conditions that were not originally stipulated. She finds this unacceptable, especially for smaller residential projects by homeowners.

Council President Martins made a motion, which was seconded, to refer the item to the Engineering Department for a written response or for the City Engineer to appear before the Council to explain the situation and any possible process changes to rectify it.

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| MOTION: | Refer |
| MOVER: | Stephanie Martins |
| SECONDER: | Katy Rogers |
| RESULT: | Passed [0 TO 0] |
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28. C0155-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

Pursuant to Charter Section 2-7(c), the Council requires the Administration (Mayor, CFO, and Budget Director) to provide the following information and documents within seven (7) days: copies of all emails, text messages, other correspondence and draft ordinances from January 1, 2016 to the present regarding proposed or approved increases in the Mayor's salary or other compensation other than the longevity ordinances, including but not limited to C0218-16 and C0185-17

Council President Stephanie Martins stated this request is part of the Council's ongoing effort to comply with the Inspector General's recommendations to recover and protect public funds. She made a motion, which was seconded, to refer the item to the Mayor's Office, CFO, and Budget Director for a response by the next meeting.

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| MOTION: | Refer |
| MOVER: | Stephanie Martins |
| SECONDER: | Robert Van Campen |
| RESULT: | Passed [0 TO 0] |
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29. C0156-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

Executive Session pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, s. 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to anticipated litigation and 21(a)(7) to act in accordance with the provisions of the Public Records Law (discuss litigation strategy and privileged written legal advice regarding longevity payments to the Mayor)

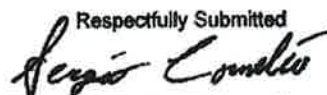
Councilor Stephanie Smith moved to enter into executive session to discuss this item, which was seconded. Councilor Smith stated the executive session's purpose is pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, s. 21 (a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to anticipated litigation and 21 (a)(7) to act in accordance with the provisions of the Public Records Law (discuss litigation strategy and privileged written legal advice regarding longevity payments to the Mayor). The motion included allowing the City Clerk, Clerk of Committees, and all members of the Council to participate, and specified the Council would adjourn from executive session and not return to open session.

The Council adjourned from executive session and did not return to open session.

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| MOTION: | Favorable Action |
| MOVER: | Stephanie Martins |
| SECONDER: | Michael Marchese |
| RESULT: | Passed [9 TO 0] |
| AYES: | Alcy Jabouin, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Van Campen, Martins |
| NAYS: | |
| AWAY: | DiPierro, Smith |

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 10:56 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Clerk of the City Council