

MEETING TRANSCRIPT-BAINBRIDGE ISLAND CITY COUNCIL-BUSINESS MEETING-7/14/2020

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Joe low ban.

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Morgan Smith: Or

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Are we, are we going to be on Microsoft Teams again.

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Joe Levan: Yeah, we got the problem figured out with COUNCILMEMBER deeds. So we are. Hey,

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Well, I can't get my city laptop to turn on right now for some reason, even though it's had it plugged in for ages and should be charged. So if I send that link.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: To my other computer will it just come up on the web or something like that teams. I just don't have any of that stuff on this. Okay.

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Joe Levan: We'll try it. If it doesn't, then I'll just

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I'll call you on me.

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Leslie Schneider: All right. How are we doing here.

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Joe Deets: Six o'clock.

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Leslie Schneider: we missing anybody. Looks like we're all here. Right.

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Joe Deets: Christie's coming

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Leslie Schneider: There she is.

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Leslie Schneider: Alright.

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Leslie Schneider: So welcome, everyone. I'd like to call to order the city council regular business meeting. It is Tuesday, July 14 2020

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Leslie Schneider: And we have all council members here.

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER deets. Councilmember Pollock. Councilmember nisar super high topless. Councilmember Medina. Councilmember car and I am

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Leslie Schneider: The mayor Leslie Schneider. Would anybody like to make a quick check in. Before we move on to our their items on this agenda.

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Leslie Schneider: Oh, you know what I need to stop my participants.

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER deeds deputies. Yeah.

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Joe Deets: Thank you, me, right. I like checking in.

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Joe Deets: The thing to do these days.

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Joe Deets: Well, I just wanted to mention a meeting that myself and the mayor and council member Medina attended this morning with business owners that were it was meeting organized by the chamber and the downtown Association. It was mostly for the, for the most part it was

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Joe Deets: Kind of US listening to two business owners and I'll just say it was, it was very

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Joe Deets: very unsettling. I think just to say that businesses are hurting is an extreme understatement.

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Joe Deets: Many businesses are closed. Many more likely to close the longer the scots and there's no indeterminate period to the crisis, so

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Joe Deets: You know, you decide. Kind of see where this is going. And I just want to bring up since you know we're here. Hopefully people are listening is that

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Joe Deets: These business owners these folks, these are our friends. These are neighbors. These are people we interact with on a regular basis.

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Joe Deets: And they're in profound distress, because of the pandemic. So one person. I thought, put it very succinctly and very sadly that it's it's akin to having a death in the family and that death is, you know, if we look at ourselves as the community Bainbridge Island.

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Joe Deets: We are experiencing a death right now in our economy. And so I just, I know this is kind of a bummer, but it's the truth. And I think it's important for

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Joe Deets: The community to recognize what is happening in our community in our business community. And what this will do to our the lifestyle that we so enjoy here so

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Joe Deets: Anyway, I'll leave it at that.

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Leslie Schneider: Great, thank you very much tells me where to start.

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Rasham Nassar: Yes, thank you. Oh, good evening, everyone. It's nice to see your faces and for those watching and attending this meeting this evening. Hello. Um, I just quickly want to

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Rasham Nassar: Say that I attended a rape culture and sexual assault protest this past weekend. It was took place on Saturday at Bainbridge Island High School.

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Rasham Nassar: It was pretty profound. I learned a lot. I can't say I liked what I learned. But I will say that I am very proud of our youth the bravery and courage with which the young women spoke out at the protest on Saturday was awe inspiring.

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Rasham Nassar: And it added another layer of depth to the movements that are rising around us on our in our community and also around the nation.

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Rasham Nassar: If any of my council colleagues would like to learn more. I'd be happy to talk with you about the event. And I think it is something that we will probably all become familiar with in the in the coming weeks as the movement picks up

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Rasham Nassar: In our in our community. So thank you again.

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Leslie Schneider: Yes, thank you.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, so our first item of businesses and executive session. So, pursuant to our CW 42.3 0.1101 I

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Leslie Schneider: To discuss with legal counsel matters relating to litigation or potential litigation, to which the city, the governing body or a member acting in an official capacity.

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Leslie Schneider: Is or is likely to become a party when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency this executive session is scheduled for 30 minutes. And so we will leave this meeting and be back at 635

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Leslie Schneider: You're ready to send us our invitations.

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Joe Levan: To your link right now.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, thank you. I'll see you in a minute.

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Leslie Schneider: Alright.

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Leslie Schneider: Are real back see elsewhere deets. We're looking for him right

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Leslie Schneider: Is Deputy Mayor deets back with us.

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Leslie Schneider: Somewhere soon.

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Leslie Schneider: Alright, I think we're all back will now resume the city council regular business meeting on Tuesday, July 14 2020 and we just returned from Executive Session, and we are on item number three approval of the agenda.

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Leslie Schneider: So we have a long meeting today, I think, on paper, it's going until 1015 or so.

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Leslie Schneider: Is there, are there any changes or additions to the agenda or Would someone like to make a motion to approve the agenda.

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Rasham Nassar: I moved to approve the agenda, as presented

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Okay.

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you. We got a second from Deputy Mayor deets. All right. Any further discussion. All those in favor please say aye.

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Leslie Schneider: Aye. Any opposed.

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Leslie Schneider: Great that passes unanimously and are there any conflicts of interest that we need to disclose tonight.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, seeing none, we're going to move forward to item number four which is public comment. And I'm going to switch over to looking at the attendees right now so panelists. I won't be able to see you for a little bit.

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Leslie Schneider: And I'm sure that just for the attendees and

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Leslie Schneider: Purposes. There were instructions on the agenda and I can see that there are some hands raised already. And so I will go in order of the hands as I see them and

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Leslie Schneider: When I call on you. The city clerk will allow you to unmute and then you will have three minutes.

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Leslie Schneider: The way you'll know about your time is if you're also looking at the comments on the the clinical put in

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Leslie Schneider: Into the comments with the, you know, at such time as you have 30 seconds left. And then at such time as you need to stop.

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Leslie Schneider: And, you know, also wave at you or call time or something so that you'll, you'll know that you're at the end of your time. So I hope that all makes sense and Cynthia villas, you are first and please unmute and tell us what street you live on.

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Cynthia Bellas: Can you hear me.

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Leslie Schneider: Yes, we can. Thank you.

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Cynthia Bellas: Okay, thank you. Thanks. Thanks for letting me talk

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Cynthia Bellas: So we've been pretty

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Cynthia Bellas: shaken by all the things that have gone on. I also attended the teen rally against sexual abuse, and I look forward to working with council members to help those children move forward in productive ways

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Cynthia Bellas: In light of what's happening across the pond. I think we need a change of leadership. So there's a group of us and we're asking for the marriage resignation.

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Cynthia Bellas: Because you lack the leadership skills necessary to manage through all of these crisis, you allow the mastermind of not only the vicious and undeserved takedown of an innocent party.

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Cynthia Bellas: Black qualified applicant, but also the whistleblowers who rushed her defense. You've helped perpetuate and abusive form of oppressive government

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Cynthia Bellas: You together as a group terrorize people you torment people you tarnish people's reputations and you do this to anybody who who fights to or stands in your way.

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Cynthia Bellas: In organizational effectiveness. We call this tarnishing when an abusive organization can no longer control those who are exposing their abuses.

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Cynthia Bellas: They turn their attention to controlling public perception of the whistleblowers I the bi review wake up Bainbridge, suggesting that they lack credibility that they're motivated by hate and are alone in their concerns. This is a tactic called tarnishing

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Cynthia Bellas: You seek to increase public condemnation of the whistleblowers by exaggerating or fabricating characteristics that the public would disapprove of

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Cynthia Bellas: And if the whistleblowers are truthful and concern for the well being of others and compelled by a responsibility to speak up.

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Cynthia Bellas: Then this tarnishing which is a litigator tactic is a seriously devious tactic of deception that seeks to make those in the right appear wrong.

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Cynthia Bellas: at great cost to the harmed. So we as an island deserve a lot better. And I want you all to know that we're watching

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Cynthia Bellas: We've been taking we've been tracking everything you're doing you're replaying old stories old tactics sleazy litigator moves and we wanted to stop. And so we're going to ask for your resignation mayor and we hope we get it.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, thank you very much.

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Leslie Schneider: On next on the list is Bonnie, Brian.

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Bonnie McBryan: Can you hear me.

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Leslie Schneider: Yes, thank you can

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Bonnie McBryan: Hide. Good evening council members. This was bonding with Brian and I live on Madison Avenue south in the owners apartment at the eagle harbor in

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Bonnie McBryan: I want to speak to you tonight as a board member for the Bainbridge Island Lodging Association among our members are about 65 small home businesses that operate vacation rentals.

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Bonnie McBryan: renting out part of your property to guess is really a traditional part of our island economy.

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Bonnie McBryan: Are small businesses provide overnight accommodations and sailboats TPS Arby's and even years but most of these small family businesses provide short term rentals in at us all across the island.

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Bonnie McBryan: At the Bainbridge Lodging Association. We're really proud to invite guests to Bainbridge, along with promoting overnight stays at hotels and ends.

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Bonnie McBryan: We take special delight and promoting to visitors that they can spend a night or weekend in a waterfront cabin or a garden cottage, or perhaps a guest house in the woods.

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Bonnie McBryan: We are worried about the ad you ordinance on your agenda tonight. You've all received letters from the Lodging Association that outline our concerns briefly.

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Bonnie McBryan: We think that increasing affordable housing is an extremely important goal for our island, but we truly believe that the proposed regulation is not a good way to do this a solid alternative could be to increase at us and allow them everywhere.

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Bonnie McBryan: This ad regulation was developed without any assessment of its impact on small businesses and on the future of our lodging industry. It will certainly phase out small businesses and that impacts our island economy.

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Bonnie McBryan: Certainly tourists can shift their business to downtown hotels. But I want to ask all of you, if you really want to phase out small businesses and owners who need a modest summer income.

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Bonnie McBryan: Please postpone your decision on this ordinance. Please take the time to assess the impact on small businesses and on the future of lodging here.

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Bonnie McBryan: We believe that our comp plan favors small local businesses and distributing the impact of tourists across our island, rather than driving all tourism traffic into downtown hotels. Thank you.

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Leslie Schneider: All right. Thank you, Bonnie.

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Leslie Schneider: Emily graph you earnest

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Emily Groff: Thank you. I live on high school road.

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Emily Groff: I've been taking an informal read on Bainbridge islanders interest in rethinking the police. And while I found some fear and some scorn, mostly, I found curiosity and even eagerness.

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Emily Groff: Of course what Minneapolis is doing is incredibly ambitious and I would never expect you guys to go that far, but there is some relatively speaking low hanging fruit on this tree.

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Emily Groff: I would like the mayor and city council to reach out to the city of Eugene Oregon and find out how we might replicate the cohorts program here on Bainbridge

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Emily Groff: For any who don't know cahoot stands for crisis assistance helping out on the streets and they operate as first responders for crises involving mental illness homelessness and addiction.

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Emily Groff: They've been in operation more than 30 years and they take care of 17% of the areas 911 calls at a cost of 2.1 million for a town seven times the size of Bainbridge

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Emily Groff: They are crucially unarmed and are wildly successful at reducing police presence in the community. I think we should do that here.

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Emily Groff: If you're scared to take that money out of the police budget I sympathize. But the country is in a moment that only comes once in a generation.

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Emily Groff: And our city is in a position to meet that moment, I'm not even proposing, we take the lead. We could simply follow Eugene and create a safer, better community for all of us. Thank you.

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you, Emily.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, Ashley, you are next.

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Ashley: Okay, so I think you guys all understand where I'm coming from over the past few weeks I was going to read my comments that I sent to you all.

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Ashley: But a few things happened between then and now our island had

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Ashley: Somebody missing last night. And with that happening. People have all kinds of different skills volunteered. I mean, there were people who were good on horseback volunteered. There were people who were

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Ashley: Good with running those trails. They were people who were good with biking those trails. It wasn't everybody who volunteered, who had the exact same skill.

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Ashley: Um, and everybody just sort of came together without being asked as an island, so the light of that, I just really hope that we can take some of the lessons learned over the past few weeks.

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Ashley: And really work together and move on the whole words racial equity. Those are sugarcoating words. I think we need to get down to the really ugly truth of it.

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Ashley: In order to move on. We can use words like racism and it's okay not everyone is expected to be anti racist. It's 2020

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Ashley: Many of you live in a completely all white community. I don't know how many people, how many of you have even had a black person over for dinner or raised your children coming over.

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Ashley: Interacting with black people, I assume, and I assume me wrong, I could be. I don't think many of you have. And so I think

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Ashley: First step is that we really have to figure out how to live together and from seeing what happened over the past few weeks, we don't all know and that's okay. Um, I wanted to briefly speak about something else that stuck out to me, that was the strategic government resources contract.

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Ashley: If you are going to be hiring with like looking through a lens and equity lens. I think that you might want to look a different place. I know as a black person that gentleman's accent had me like wanting to run for the hills.

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Ashley: And I did a little bit of research on it. They're a servant leadership organization. So they're taught

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Ashley: They have like a whole bunch of principles, their top five are listening empathy building community spirit nurturing the spirit and healing.

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Ashley: I know we've used them before. So if we think that last candidates a totally exemplified all these things I'd say, by all means give them another shot, but if we think that there's room for improvement. I would probably look at some of the other competitors.

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Ashley: SG ours glass store reading, which are held their employees rate them is only a 2.9% they have 50 employees and they make 5 million a year, which isn't that much. If you consider contracts. If you look at their competitors career one source.

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Ashley: Has 142 employees and they're making 27 million a year they prominently display their diversity place since on their website.

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Ashley: As the Slaven Harvey Rosen associates and then Ralph Anderson has a female CEO. So I just think there are a couple of options.

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Ashley: If you are going to go with SVR I would really ask that you asked for a slate, a diverse slate and just make sure that you are making sure that they have somebody of color and women candidates for you to look at. And I guess that's

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Leslie Schneider: All right, thank you. Ashley. Um, the next one, next in line is Pascal shoe box.

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Pascal Schuback: mera. The best way to pronounce my name is like passing California, but no offense to California, but just the way to say my name. I'm very proud to be here tonight and appreciate the opportunity to speak, real quick, and

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Pascal Schuback: Some great things have happened on the island. This week, and some of the things I've been seeing. It's just, it's still a wonderful privilege to live on the island, even though I'm stuck inside my

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Pascal Schuback: Operation Center in my basement responding to cover for many other jurisdictions, but the island is a wonderful place to be and

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Pascal Schuback: One of the things I wanted to talk about tonight is the ordinance about the EDU structures and to remind you of what the original ordinance carried out.

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Pascal Schuback: Its purpose for was to focus on the ability for affordable housing and to be transparent. That's what I'm working on right now is I'm building a home for my immediate family.

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Pascal Schuback: But I'm also trying to build a house for two mother in law's or one mother in law in one mother. They're both moms and the ability to be able to do that.

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Pascal Schuback: Is challenging because of the size of property that is available at a cost that we can afford as a family, but also still providing privacy and resiliency to family members who are not

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Pascal Schuback: I want to say retired or old, my mom mother with mothers would kill me. But the ability for them to have their individualism their freedoms, but also be close to home.

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Pascal Schuback: And as a disaster person their resiliency and their the preparedness that I take upon the support them is critical in my profession and in my own personal life.

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Pascal Schuback: And so having that ability to have an edu on the property so they can live on their own beyond their own, but the same time be close to home.

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Pascal Schuback: And also share the resources that I have to put to source systems by two pieces of property.

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Pascal Schuback: Be able to spend more electrical connections and all the infrastructure that's needed to this, I can support them locally on my property.

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Pascal Schuback: And so there's one item on the ordinance that was taken out that the Council was going to approve was the square footage allotment

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Pascal Schuback: And that ability to be able to have it not cover the surface coverage area of home residents under 40,000 square feet.

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Pascal Schuback: And being able to put an edu as well. I'm not talking about a horse barn with an edu attached. I'm talking something 900 square feet or smaller, to be able to support a

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Pascal Schuback: single person who needs the accessibility functionality but individualism or individuality, but be able to be connected to their families as a close family unit.

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Pascal Schuback: I think this is an important thing to make sure that gets back, put into the ordinance I testified at the planning commission meeting where they took it out to describe to them the importance of why in more detail.

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Pascal Schuback: But I think it's important to make sure we remind ourselves what the original purpose of the video is really about affordable housing on the island and

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Pascal Schuback: That's something I have no objections to either way about short term rentals, because I plan to have both my mother's living with us for the longest time, we could have possible

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Pascal Schuback: And so it's not about the short term, but I do know that's an issue that many have on the island.

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Pascal Schuback: But for me it's about supporting my family and supporting them in an economical and resilient way compared to having to buy multiple pieces of property travel more

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Pascal Schuback: Be able to, you know, increase my climate impact in what I'm doing on the island as well. So this was my sense but hopefully everyone's having a great evening. Thank you.

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you, Pascal. Did I get it right this time.

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Leslie Schneider: Alright, next, Sal. The Rosalia your app.

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Sal DeRosalia: Hello. Can you hear me.

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Yes.

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Sal DeRosalia: All right. My name is Sal Rosalia and I live off of Madison Avenue will be dialing today by my ask is super simple, but maybe complicated

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Sal DeRosalia: Because I feel like all seven members of the Council have agreed that we have some race equity lens issues or

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Sal DeRosalia: race issues and certainly as it pertains to people in positions of power, whether it be city council planning commission or any other Commission or committee or task force.

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Sal DeRosalia: I would ask that you guys suspend all critical decision making, like legislative or any other type until you have secured support for that equity lens.

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Sal DeRosalia: I feel like for you all to be moving forward after having said everything you've said for the last few weeks with any kind of legislation that does not include

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Sal DeRosalia: And and I'm using air quotes and equity lens that you'd be going against exactly what you said you were going to do and so

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Sal DeRosalia: With decisions like this, and I'm sure lots of others that have been decided since then and ones that going forward. I would just really love it if we could all like super pump the brakes.

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Sal DeRosalia: And reassess like, is this the way we want to continue to do business are we actually representing all the people of the island. Are we representing the comments that we all made a couple weeks ago.

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Sal DeRosalia: In that we do want raise equity and we really want to solve this problem and that black lives do matter.

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Sal DeRosalia: I think you can really display that by by pumping the brakes and getting processes in place and and hiring outside help. There are companies that do this for a living.

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Sal DeRosalia: We are not new it like we are new to this, but this is not a new problem.

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Sal DeRosalia: I'm sure there's lots of people who'd be willing to work from wherever or come in and help us.

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Sal DeRosalia: But I really think we need to like get an equity lens in place, not just talk about getting one in place while we get a couple of appointments, you know, a better look at equity.

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Sal DeRosalia: Before we keep legislating down the path of what we do now. Currently, which is not equitable for all people. So thank you very much.

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Leslie Schneider: Great, thank you very much. So

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, I do not see any other hands raised. So I'm going to get back to our panelists list here.

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Leslie Schneider: And

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Leslie Schneider: We can move on.

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Leslie Schneider: To the mayor's report.

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Leslie Schneider: All right, I'll

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Leslie Schneider: I'll make this quick. We have, we have a really long agenda tonight, but I do want to acknowledge the impact on all of us.

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Leslie Schneider: That we're still in an intersection of crises, our health, our economy and our delay in righting wrongs around race equity and racism.

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Leslie Schneider: In our country. We're still we're breaking records for the number of new code infections, our own county thought that by now, you know, we'd be in phase three

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Leslie Schneider: Sort of marching linear and we on our way back to normal. Instead, the governor's paused. All of the safe start applications until later this week and it's possible that gets up COUNTY WILL NOT EVEN QUALIFY FOR phase three at this time.

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Leslie Schneider: Both the number of infected residents per 100,000 people and the ratio of positive to negative tests, they're going in the wrong direction.

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Leslie Schneider: And then as COUNCILMEMBER deeds or deputy mayor deeds said earlier today, he and COUNCILMEMBER DINA AND I participated in a listening session with businesses on the island and we heard so heartbreaking stories.

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Leslie Schneider: I'm sure everyone is sad about the loss of one or more businesses already announcing a closure so you know I don't say this to dwell on doom and gloom. The quite the opposite. I mean, I, I know how resilient. We can be and have been to this point and

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Leslie Schneider: I know how we come together to make things work. I think many of us are just kind of starting to feel it in our bones that we need to be resilient for a much longer term than we had hoped or counted on

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Leslie Schneider: And as we get used to this kind of longer term emergency just know that some people are hurting much more than others. So I guess my only point here is that, let's please take care of each other.

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Leslie Schneider: So with that, I can turn it over to the city managers report.

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Morgan Smith: Thank you, Mayor Council, I don't have anything in particular to bring to you tonight, both

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Morgan Smith: Mayor signer and COUNCILMEMBER deeds highlighted the item. I wanted to make sure you are aware of regarding the governor's announcement today.

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Morgan Smith: That all review for progress to different phases of openings will be on pause until July 28 at least. And so we will all just work as hard as we can to

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Morgan Smith: Re emphasize for the community. What's important to continue to follow in terms of social distancing wearing your mask, being careful being mindful of public health choices you can make and do what we can to be supportive on our economic issues as well. So thank you for that.

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Leslie Schneider: Great, thank you. City Manager. Okay. So we are now on item number seven future Council agendas and typically see manager, we have you kind of start us off. And we've got a couple here on the list, July 28 and August 4

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Morgan Smith: Right, just for the community listening, a reminder that the study session that would have happened on July 21st has been canceled.

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Morgan Smith: So the next time Council is scheduled to meet is two weeks from now on the 28th for another business meeting. And it's a pretty lengthy one in part because we move some items around. So what's shown here is close to the work

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Morgan Smith: With one change that I'm aware of. In we're scheduling in at about four hours, as is. So just noticed that quite a few items on their most kind of notably our return to your conversation about potential policy changes related to self service storage facilities.

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Morgan Smith: You'll SET THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE LIMITED amendment related to the SNP

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Morgan Smith: The planning department is coming to check back with you and provide a periodic update related to the counties planning and

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Morgan Smith: future growth allocations. That's something that you've asked to be kept apprised of on a regular basis. And so there's some new information to make sure that you're all aware of

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Morgan Smith: It's the end of July. So we'll provide a monthly update on our current year forecasts.

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Morgan Smith: And council had placed time to formalize the changes to the ethics program that you discuss recently. So that's that resolution that you see there

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Morgan Smith: We'll see what you prefer after you've had your briefing tonight from the police chief we've tentatively, place, time on the 28th for him to deliver the Q3 scheduled briefing, but it may be that we want to talk about

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Morgan Smith: That timing and format, but we have that held in case that's when you'd like to receive that briefing, then there's some public works issues.

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Morgan Smith: The legal department will be talking to you about the Comcast franchise renewal process and other other items that are shown here, and then COUNCILMEMBER deets requested last week that we plan for time for the Council to hear from your ad hoc committee on economic recovery.

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Morgan Smith: So that's where we're at with 28 and then you can see the one change on there is

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Morgan Smith: Had a discussion this week with the EI tech Council liaisons or I guess co chairs.

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Morgan Smith: COUNCILMEMBER high topless and COUNCILMEMBER car and we are thinking that it may be better to move the elk stack discussion to the fourth of August.

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Morgan Smith: So that's not reflected in the draft you're looking at. So that's the one change to the 28th that we're planning to make. And then on the fourth. You can see the items that are currently scheduled plus would be adding that L tech discussion.

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Morgan Smith: So I'd be happy to answer any questions.

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Leslie Schneider: Great, thank you. Okay, Deputy Mayor, would you have your hand up.

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Joe Deets: Yeah. Hi, thank you. City Manager. Yeah, I don't really have a question. Other than that, I just want to highlight

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Joe Deets: You know, things that are councils doing, which in my case is I drafted a coven 19 economic recovery plan that is now on the desk of my two colleagues in the ad hoc working committee.

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Joe Deets: That would be mayor Snyder and COUNCILMEMBER Medina, so seven page document has 2015 items so listed. I have a top 10 list.

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Joe Deets: I'm really excited to get this out because of all the needs that we have. So I just I just asked folks, please stay tuned. It's going to be a good discussion I intend, I expect. So this is what the city can do to help the community in the end the crisis relating to economics. So thank you.

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Leslie Schneider: Great, thank you.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, so I'm Kelsey over into star.

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Rasham Nassar: Yes. First, I'll start with the question to city manager Smith HAVE WE HAVE YOU SIGNED THE CONTRACT WITH str.

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Morgan Smith: Yes.

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Rasham Nassar: Because I got a phone call from Ron. Okay.

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Morgan Smith: That's executed, and I believe he's been moving through having individual conversations with each of you, but

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Morgan Smith: The question. You're not asking, I'll just say, as with all of our professional services agreements, you have the opportunity to terminate that you're that's there's an opportunity for that.

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Rasham Nassar: Okay, well thanks for that.

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Rasham Nassar: Clarification I'm just putting feelers out there to see if there's city council members that would like an opportunity to discuss

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Rasham Nassar: Some of what we heard in public comment tonight and what was also submitted to us an email related to Sgr and potential, potential other

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Rasham Nassar: Companies that we might want to consider in light of the fact that we have allocated or elevated equity and diversity to the top of our priorities list.

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Rasham Nassar: We didn't perform that analysis when we voted to hire Sgr and I just thought maybe we'd want to take an opportunity to step back and just have that discussion doesn't have to lead anywhere but

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Rasham Nassar: It would mean that we would have an opportunity to perform our due diligence in that regard. Just the thought.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay.

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Leslie Schneider: So I think we're looks like we might be ready to move on from from this item. So, Seeing no other hands. I'm going to move us on to item eight unfinished business and a is resolution number 2020 dash oh eight updating the city's financial and budget policies.

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DeWayne Pitts: Canadian Council.

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DeWayne Pitts: On June 30 finance presented three resolutions summarizing suggested policy changes affecting the general fund debt priority based budgeting grants and equipment rental and revolving fun

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DeWayne Pitts: Resolutions affecting debt and the equipment rental and revolving funds or forward that to the consent agenda for this evening.

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DeWayne Pitts: Remaining resolution for this agenda item is being brought back again to counsel this evening.

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DeWayne Pitts: Because Council expressed a desire to retain the existing language that requires the general fund to be maintained at 25% of revenues.

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DeWayne Pitts: Revised resolution reflects the revision back to the original language of the reserve policy. And with that, I'm happy to answer any questions you may have.

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you colleagues. Are there any questions for

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Leslie Schneider: Our Director of Finance.

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Leslie Schneider: All right. Um, do we have emotion in the packet for that.

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Yes.

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Leslie Schneider: Anyone like to put that motion on the floor.

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Leslie Schneider: Oh my

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Leslie Schneider: You're a tough crowd tonight.

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Leslie Schneider: All right. Um,

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Joe Deets: I'd like to try, but I'm having a little I'm have one laptop. So I was trying to switch oh my god glare.

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Christy Carr: Her

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Christy Carr: Yeah, I moved to approve resolution number 2020 dash. Oh, wait.

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Leslie Schneider: A second from

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Leslie Schneider: Deputy Mayor. All right. Any further discussion.

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Leslie Schneider: All those in favor please say aye.

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Leslie Schneider: Any opposed.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay.

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Leslie Schneider: That passes unanimously. Thank you very much.

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DeWayne Pitts: Thank you.

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Leslie Schneider: And we are now moving on to our item number nine for new business and nine A is review of police department, use of force policy and is chief Clark.

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Leslie Schneider: With us

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Leslie Schneider: City Manager, you're on mute.

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Morgan Smith: She's Clark is is absolutely planning to be here. I

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Morgan Smith: He may be joining the meeting now.

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Morgan Smith: There is

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Leslie Schneider: Welcome chief quiet.

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Joe Clark: Now,

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Leslie Schneider: We're not hearing you. I think you're on mute.

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Leslie Schneider: There you go.

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Leslie Schneider: Yeah, you're welcome to go ahead, but I'm not sure. We can hear you. Yeah. Is there a

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Joe Clark: Problem, sorry, I'm sorry. Good evening. How can I better. Okay.

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Leslie Schneider: So, oh, well now.

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Joe Clark: Very good.

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Joe Clark: Alright, so I'm going to try to share my screen here to make sure that we get the presentation up

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Joe Clark: And that should

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Joe Clark: That should take care of it.

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Leslie Schneider: Looking good.

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Okay.

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Joe Clark: Let me roll through. There we go. Alright. Well, good evening. Appreciate the opportunity to come here tonight and talk about you know what we're doing with our use use of force reporting and policies.

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Joe Clark: You know, as a new chief coming in. It's important for me to learn everything about the agency, what we're doing and how we do it, and even why we do it. So policy reviews is on the forefront of that in light of everything that's going on in the community and across the nation.

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Joe Clark: This piece of policy policy kind of takes the forefront and brings on that most important piece. So what we're going to look at tonight is kind of talk about how that policy review works and then more specifically about our use force policies.

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Joe Clark: Well, you know, we've looked at the last five years, analysis, and then we'll talk about where we get our information from and where what direction we need to go in, in terms of force.

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Joe Clark: So in terms of our policy review.

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Joe Clark: You know, our policy sets the guidelines for the members of the organization. It tells them how to do the work. What are the acceptable practices.

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Joe Clark: You know what they shouldn't shouldn't do. And so we want to make sure that we're complying with federal, state, local laws.

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Joe Clark: We got to make sure that what we're doing meets best practices training standards set by the state.

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Joe Clark: We also want to look at evidence based practices. A good example that you know might be in our eyewitness identification policy, there's, there's lots of research on how those things should happen.

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Joe Clark: And what the best practices are so we want to make sure that we comply with those of course court rulings and our community expectations. What does the community expect of their police department, we want to make sure that our policies meet those expectations.

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Joe Clark: In terms of the Bainbridge Island police department Policy Manual. The current manual that we use was adopted in January 2015 its most current update was in October of last year.

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Joe Clark: It's organized by 10 chapters and those are broken up by the different things we do control functions investigations. Their sections on personnel matters and then sections on general operations.

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Joe Clark: In total there are 144 separate policies that need to be reviewed and maintained throughout each year.

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Joe Clark: We want to make sure that we stay current

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Joe Clark: In terms of use of force. It's not just a single policy. It's really a collection of policies, you have the policy number 300 which is use of force.

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Joe Clark: That is kind of the guiding principles and sets the overall standards for practice, but then you have these additional policies that are more specific to the techniques and the tactics and the equipment that we use.

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Joe Clark: So in looking in terms of use of force, you know, we've lumped those together and because they interact. We want to look at those policies, all at once and make any changes or updates as we go.

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Joe Clark: So when we talk about force.

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Joe Clark: That is the best definition basically any physical techniques or tactics chemical agents are weapons that are used against another person.

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Joe Clark: Someone who is compliant routine handcuffing. Those are not uses up for us. Those are not reported. But if there's any resistance us whatever, then we want to capture that and documented.

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Joe Clark: In terms of our process each officers required to document all use of force, they're required to notify a supervisor who comes to investigate.

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Joe Clark: You know, so they're going to gather all the documentation, they're going to talk to any witnesses about what happened what they saw, and you're going to assess for injuries of both any prisoners or the officers.

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Joe Clark: Depending on the level of force used will go to our instructors and we'll talk to them about how the force used matches the training that we've given how it matches our policies and get opinions from what we would consider our subject matter X subject matter experts.

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Joe Clark: Supervisors complete this full review. It's forwarded to the deputy chief and then ultimately to the chief. So we have multiple eyes looking at every incident.

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Joe Clark: You know, if there's additional information that's needed will go back and get it if there's additional review that needs to be done.

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Joe Clark: Then that'll happen before a final determination is made. We want to make sure that the force us is appropriate. That is reasonable and necessary under the circumstances of the event and that it fits within the guidelines of the agency.

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Joe Clark: Options. If it doesn't meet that standard can range from needed retraining for an individual in may result in perhaps retraining for the entire department if there's some practice that we need to change.

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Joe Clark: And of course discipline can follow

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Joe Clark: And looking at the use of force over the last five years.

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Joe Clark: We averaged six force incidence per year.

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Joe Clark: Most frequently, you'll see it's that physical category that's that's a control hold wrist lock it using hands to gain compliance with an individual who's resisting

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Joe Clark: That's the lowest level of force and that's what happens most frequently

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Joe Clark: I've also included the total calls for service that we responded over that time period to get an idea of the level of frequency and force. And you can see it ranges from point 02 percent

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Joe Clark: Now, trying to benchmark that is. It's difficult because there is no good national standard on tracking use of force.

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Joe Clark: What is out there is is dated. So, you know, looking back at data from 95 and 99 you see the rate of point 04 percent use of force incident. Thanks, don't cause for service. If you look at

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Joe Clark: Surveys as many as 2% of all context with police departments are police officers result in the use of force.

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Joe Clark: But there. But there's no true standard. There's no good resource to compare and there's no variance in any of this data for Community size or agency size.

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Joe Clark: So when you get these numbers you're including departments as large as New York City and departments as small as Bainbridge Island. So that's, that's one of the issues in this nationwide conversation is a lack of a good sense of how much

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Joe Clark: You know, or how many numbers of incidents involving force and what level of force is used by the police departments.

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Joe Clark: So far this year we've had three incidents, as we are at the halfway point.

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Joe Clark: So when we looked at you. So where do you go to measure your policies, review your policies.

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Joe Clark: We have the Police Executive Research Forum or Perth. They published several years ago what they call the guiding principles on use of force. Those are general principles on things that you should look for in your policies such as requiring body worn cameras.

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Joe Clark: making statements about the value and the sanctity of human life.

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Joe Clark: Encouraging or requiring proportional response to resistance.

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Joe Clark: The International Association of Chiefs of Police published the national consistent consensus policy on use of force initially in 2017 and that was just updated in July of this year, so they offer a version of a model policy that we can use as a guide in measuring against our policy.

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Joe Clark: We also looked our peer agencies here in the county here in the state and across the country. We look at those to see what are, what are the practices of other departments, how is their community. Similar to ours, and how would those policies work.

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Joe Clark: In our community.

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Joe Clark: And I skipped over Campaign Zero, because that's what we're going to go to next. And there's been a lot of conversation about eight. Can't wait. And that's, you know, I kind of looked at that as

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Joe Clark: What would be a good measure. It's showing a lot of

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Joe Clark: Attention in the community.

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Joe Clark: Much of the recommendations from the eight can't wait overlap with recommendation from other resources.

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Joe Clark: And you know the data that they use tends to support the implementation of most of these recommendations. So, that is what I used as part of my review.

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Joe Clark: You know, in terms of where we need to be and where we are. So, you know, to talk about each one of those. I think that'll give us some insight.

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Joe Clark: So I'll go through each of the eight and talk about our department in the context of these

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Joe Clark: Requiring officers to de escalate situations that has been a philosophy for years, and certainly been adopted by this department de escalation, you're looking to slow the pace of the incident down, you want to create distance and cover for the officer to

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Joe Clark: Remove the immediate immediacy of the threat, so that you have more time to consider other options to force bring in additional resources to reduce the likelihood of using force.

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Joe Clark: And it you know that keeps that keeps everyone safe, including the officers so de escalation is referenced throughout all of our policies on the police department.

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Joe Clark: You know I'm particularly in our crisis intervention policy de escalation is the cornerstone. When you know when you're working with individuals who are experiencing mental illness.

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Joe Clark: It's that communication. It's taking the time it's trying to work through the situation, bring it down to a manageable level and gain compliance that way. Well, those, those techniques work with everyone.

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Joe Clark: Or should certainly at least be tried and we're always be someone that doesn't want to comply doesn't want to go to jail.

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Joe Clark: But, you know, this is where you want to go. You want to gain cooperation, the greatest tool that we have is our voice.

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Joe Clark: We don't have a distinct de escalation policy and they said it's

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Joe Clark: It's inter woven throughout all of the policies, but I believe that what we need to do was develop and adopt a specific standalone de escalation policy. I think that shows the importance

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Joe Clark: And I think it sends a message that you know this is a preference, this is the direction we need to go.

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Joe Clark: The next one talks about shooting and moving vehicles.

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Joe Clark: Our policy generally prohibit shooting in moving vehicles. It's not an absolute bar to shooting it vehicles.

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Joe Clark: And that's what many folks would like to see, including Campaign Zero. Now they give a caveat in their recommendation for an occupant who poses a threat by means other than a vehicle. And so that's someone driving along and shooting out of the vehicle.

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Joe Clark: You know you have limited alternatives. They recommend a complete ban on shooting and vehicles absent that threat. I think the issue there. And what we have seen recently is where

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Joe Clark: Where the vehicle itself is used as a weapon.

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Joe Clark: If you have an absolute prohibition against shooting in a vehicle than when the vehicle is the weapon. You know, there's no recourse. There's no other tool to stop that vehicle.

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Joe Clark: You know, if you have another vehicle nearby that you can move in the direction that's possibility. This is still a absolute last resort, as all deadly force situation should be. But you know, I think we

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Joe Clark: I think we move in the direction of our current policy where we recommend. Again, it's an only as a last resort.

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Joe Clark: restriction on chokehold and neck restraints a card policy restricts chokehold which would be an airway restriction. It's only appropriate in a deadly force situation.

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Joe Clark: The current policy did approve the use of vascular neck or straight that's trained at the Washington State Academy and it was permitted by policy.

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Joe Clark: I don't think that's where we need to be. I think this is an absolute

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Joe Clark: tool of last resort, and it should be reserved for deadly force situations.

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Joe Clark: I have since issued a directive that the vascular neck restraint and all other choke holds a stranglehold will only be used in deadly force situations.

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Joe Clark: And again, the reason for not a strict ban on that move is if you take that away completely, and you have a deadly force situation, the only alternative you have left is a firearm.

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Joe Clark: So if there's a circumstance where you can use the vascular neck restraint instead of a firearm. You have a less lethal option at your disposal.

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Joe Clark: You know that. And I think that's a better choice if the circumstances permit.

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Joe Clark: In terms of a verbal warning before using deadly force when it's practical feasible.

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Joe Clark: You know, that's certainly what's recommended. That's what is in our policy currently

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Joe Clark: However, it's written in a section relates to fling felonies.

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Joe Clark: We really need to pull that out. Make it a standalone piece of the deadly force protocol and so that it's clear that when it's possible when it doesn't jeopardize bystanders safety or officer safety that you give that warning.

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Joe Clark: You know, I think that's reasonable and practical and that's what we'll do. With that policy is restate it so it applies to all circumstances.

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Joe Clark: The next recommendation is for a use of force continuum, or a matrix that kind of defines the types of force and techniques that can be used to respond to resistance a continuum is kind of an outdated.

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Joe Clark: Terminology continuum implies that you have this ladder or staircase that you climb from where you started, you know, verbal commands and work your way up to wherever you need to be to accomplish your goal.

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Joe Clark: What we really look to look to now is more of a force model.

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Joe Clark: You know the stair step approach doesn't work in all situations.

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Joe Clark: You, for example, an active shooter in an active shooter situation. You certainly can't come in and begin with verbal commands and then work towards control holds. And then, you know, to something else, such as a taser

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Joe Clark: You have to have officers with the latitude to assess the situation and use the appropriate response based on the level of the threat that they're seeing

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Joe Clark: Now,

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Joe Clark: There are ways to work in that matrix. It's not quite the same as a continuum, but that you define the types of resistance or threats that you see, and then you talk about the appropriate levels of force to respond.

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Joe Clark: That's the language we're looking for that has to be written and developed and incorporate into the policy and we want to be consistent with what the state is training the officers. The Academy

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Joe Clark: And I think that's consistent with kind of this matrix idea.

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Joe Clark: Similarly exhaust all of the reasonable alternatives, people tend to forget the reasonable piece we want to do this. That's whole part of de escalation.

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Joe Clark: That our policy requires that only the amount of force that reasonably appears necessary.

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Joe Clark: Unnecessary by

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Joe Clark: The code Washington says that no reasonably effective alternative and the use of force appears to exist. So that's, you know, that's us telling our officers that you need to evaluate your options.

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Joe Clark: And use only that which appears necessary. So I think we're compliant with that recommendation as it exists in the policy.

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Joe Clark: They asked it, we require comprehensive reporting and that includes uses a force and threats of force. More specifically, they're looking for

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Joe Clark: Pointing firearm at an individual or pointing a taser at an individual

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Joe Clark: So in practice we are reporting those incidents, but it's not clear and policy that that pointing a firearm is someone is a required reported use of force. So we're going to have to tighten that up and

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Joe Clark: implement that in policy. So it's clear. We want to capture that information that's important data.

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Joe Clark: And while it's our practice, it needs to be our policy as well.

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Joe Clark: And probably most importantly is the requirement that officers intervene to stop another officer from using excessive force and that's that exists in our policy any officer that is present and observe someone using more force than is appropriate.

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Joe Clark: Is required to stop that.

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Joe Clark: You know,

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Joe Clark: officers get caught up in the moment, having that second set of eyes there someone to come in and stay say, step away. I got this. Let me take care of it.

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Joe Clark: That happens whether it's a force situation or just an encounter with an individual that the officer is getting frustrated with sometimes it it

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Joe Clark: It just takes another officer to step in. That's what we asked them to do. That's what we require them to do. And if it's a use of force that exceeds exceeds what is permitted they're required to report to a supervisor, so that we can address it and take corrective action.

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Joe Clark: So just some additional points that I want to bring up in terms of buying more cameras. The as of June, the body worn cameras have been fully implemented and are mandatory where for all the officers.

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Joe Clark: So you should see those on their chest whenever they're out in public.

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Joe Clark: Use of force statistics we publish those each year. They're on our webpage and they're accessible for anybody that wants to review them.

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Joe Clark: You know, our implicit bias training last

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Joe Clark: November the entire department intended plus a bias training. We've had other instances individuals attending cultural awareness training diversity training, it's required at the state level.

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Joe Clark: New officers go through 200 hours of de escalation mental health training bias training.

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Joe Clark: Every three years. Each officer is required to go through a 40 hour recertification in those same topic areas, including, you know, talking about officer perceptions officer bias and the historical intersections with race and policing.

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Joe Clark: Those are all provided by the state Academy and they'll be implementing those as part of the new 940

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Joe Clark: And of course everyone attends 24 hours of annual training to maintain certification.

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Joe Clark: In talking about dis de escalation. I mentioned it was intertwined in all of our policies, some of the things that we already do and had been doing every officer goes through that 40 hour crisis intervention training so that they practice and develop those skills for communication.

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Joe Clark: You know, we're a small community. The officers know

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Joe Clark: The members of the community.

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Joe Clark: And the members that we deal with on a regular basis. You know, we know them so that we have history were able to kind of work with them to meet their needs.

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Joe Clark: In you know get assistance, whether it be through the navigator program or, you know, other avenues.

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Joe Clark: We have the ability to flag addresses in the 911 system with history. So if there's a person

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Joe Clark: Who has who who doesn't here.

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Joe Clark: You know, we're aware of that, before we get there, so that we can plan accordingly and respond effectively.

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Joe Clark: And of course, with our staffing levels we have time to spend with folks, we can take time to talk through concerns, there's no pressure to go from call to call because there isn't some other places. And I think that contributes to getting to know the community members.

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Joe Clark: Other so next steps coming up, of course, will finish our review of the use of force policies will update those

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Joe Clark: We're going to start posting the department Policy Manual to the webpage. I think it's important that that's out there.

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Joe Clark: And we'll start with the policies, it stands today we're going to post that this week. And as we complete this block of update and then any updates going on downline, those will be

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Joe Clark: Updated on our webpage. You know, there's nothing there that is a secret. I think it's important that the community be able to access that document and read through it.

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Joe Clark: Of the next piece. The, the FBI is making an effort to implement a national use of force data collection.

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Joe Clark: That program went online last January of 2019 it requires departments to enroll so far only 40% of the 18,000 agencies in this country have enrolled.

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Joe Clark: We are currently in the process.

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Joe Clark: Of gaining access so that we can submit our data. What they are tracking is

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Joe Clark: You're tracking incidents from use of force that include fatalities or serious physical injuries or where a firearm is discharged at a person and we haven't had any of those incidents, since the database started in 2019

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Joe Clark: But they required, you know, you have to be a member of the database, you have to report that you had zero incidents, so that they have an accurate count.

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Joe Clark: In terms of all of the departments submitting data, all of the departments in the country. So we're getting enrolled in that and we'll start reporting.

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Joe Clark: Each month going forward.

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Joe Clark: And then of course we have the

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Joe Clark: Discussion about the next public safety briefing.

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Joe Clark: And that's it for me. Are there any questions that I can answer.

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you very much, chief clerk. I really appreciate it. Um, I think my colleagues and maybe the public knows that.

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Leslie Schneider: That

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Leslie Schneider: I went and participated in the town hall Obama's town hall. Shortly after the George Floyd incident and I kind of gulped and took the mayor's pledge about reviewing our use of force.

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Leslie Schneider: And so you're helping me fulfill on that and I look forward to comments from the public, you know, as they take this in and I really appreciate it. That you're that you're posting it to the website. I also just want to thank you for in advance of this session, which we've been, you know,

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Leslie Schneider: Looking forward to for a while, you've also been putting some deep comments into the city managers report and kind of answering a lot of questions.

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Leslie Schneider: In advance of this. So I also appreciate that and certainly look forward to seeing any more of those things that you can offer. So we've got some hands raised. Councilmember nisar

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Rasham Nassar: Yes, thank you. And thank you, police chief Clark, it's nice to have you with us tonight. I know we've all been waiting for this.

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Rasham Nassar: Discussion for quite some time. So I appreciate that we're having it tonight. So thank you again. I know it took a lot of work for you to put the presentation together. And I just want to let you know I'm very grateful for that.

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Rasham Nassar: I do have a number of questions and I have some perspective to offer to as to what I have heard in the community that we ought to consider as a council for next steps.

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Rasham Nassar: But since this discussion is focused on use of force. I want to start my comments on Paul. My question is related to policy. First, but I do first want to acknowledge that there's really two parts to this discussion. The one is related strictly

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Rasham Nassar: To policy and the other is more focused on the broader kind of contemplated reflective do define the police movement that we're seeing in the trend in that nationwide. So starting with policy and

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Rasham Nassar: Our policies are from Mexico, right, is that

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Rasham Nassar: Correct police policies. So let's the pole is a are there. There are a for profit corporation out of. I think it's California

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Rasham Nassar: And I guess my question is how, what are your thoughts on lexical in general as as the source of our police policies and specifically how how burdensome are their policies to customize

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Joe Clark: So in terms of customizing their policies isn't burdensome at all it is, you know, they have a web based interface.

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Joe Clark: That they give you their base policies, it's broken up into sections and particularly when they give updates.

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Joe Clark: You can view each of the updates, each of the sections individually and you make changes to. You can either accept or reject modify implement them however they best feature community.

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Joe Clark: I know there's been you know there's article I received that kind of gives a unfair perspective on how the software works. There's some isn't misinformation in the article, I don't think those folks have used it.

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Joe Clark: Can someone go in there and just push a button and suddenly their entire policies overwritten. Absolutely.

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Joe Clark: Policies.

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Joe Clark: Policies are not a push button fix you have to take care to review, manage and implement them in the best interest of your department.

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Joe Clark: The last poll policies or foundations that you build on. You have to take that information, you have to take that input their justification for why it's written a certain way.

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Joe Clark: And then determine what best fits your needs. The value of lexical is the provide a service to send you the updates. There's been a so they're monitoring court cases they're moderate monitoring law changes.

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Joe Clark: And they're doing the work of staff members. We don't have. And so they provide recommendations. They don't write our policy, they just provide recommendations we have to select our policy, we have to decide what we wanted to read and we wanted to read and accept that.

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Joe Clark: It's, you know, it's no different than if we were writing in ourselves, they just give us the foundation and we build a finished product.

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Rasham Nassar: Okay, so it sounds like you're in your opinion, like suppose services and the policies they provide our city are, would you consider them consistent with

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Rasham Nassar: Kind of the progressive shift in police policy and police reform that we're kind of seeing over across the water in Seattle. Are they are they accommodating of that or are they would one consider them to be me be not as agreeable to

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Rasham Nassar: taking the lead on changes.

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Joe Clark: Their job is to write these based policies, according to law and, you know,

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Rasham Nassar: Sorry, so

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Joe Clark: You know, whether they're in there. Also, you know, I think the number is somewhere around 3000 agencies use their policy, you know, we hear a lot of conversation across the country about standardizing policies.

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Joe Clark: So with using their base, you know, we get closer to that standardized policy, but we still have to modify it to fit our community.

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Joe Clark: And so they can't. There's no way that they can write a policy that fits every community. So they have a different set of policies.

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Joe Clark: For California, they have a different set for Washington, because we have different state laws, but then within that you have that option as an agency to make adjustments.

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Joe Clark: Now they're based policies are in line with

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Joe Clark: Best practices. They're in line with court cases and in our state laws, but we still have to add that piece. They can't add the community piece for 3000 agencies, we have to add that ourselves. And that's what you know that's what's been done. That's what's going to continue to happen.

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Rasham Nassar: Okay. Um, and that might. Thank you for that. Um, and then my next question is maybe a question for the city manager and maybe it can't be answered tonight, but it's related to the total police budget and what percent of our city's budget is our police budget.

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Rasham Nassar: Goes to the department.

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Rasham Nassar: And then I'll follow up with a secondary question that is more towards a police chief Clark total number of weapons training hours versus diversity bias training, which one is currently given a greater emphasis in terms of how we train our officers at our department.

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Joe Clark: So I would have to go back and find those numbers.

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Joe Clark: The difference with the firearms training. It's not as if you know one takes on more important than the other arms training is a skill to Paris a perishable skill. It takes muscle memory that you have to physically practice, whereas learning in a classroom is kind of a different environment.

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Joe Clark: You know, so you can't make a determination of which one is more important based on the number of hours. Now the

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Joe Clark: We generally have firearms instruction four times a year.

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Joe Clark: And that's based on some court case outcomes that said, Well, you know, going once or twice a year wasn't enough to establish proficiency.

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Joe Clark: And so you had a fail to train issue in a court outcome. Three times is better, four times is probably good. So, you know, we have to account for those kind of things in our training if we reduced our hours of training on firearms.

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Joe Clark: Then, you know, we run the risk of kind of a failure to train claim if we have an incident.

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Morgan Smith: Manage jump in here to one thing I want to highlight is that, and I think that's really interesting question.

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Morgan Smith: What our experience has been, doesn't mean that's what our experience needs to be going forward. One of the things that I can say that chief Clark probably wouldn't is that when we were looking for a new police chief I was seeking a candidate that would

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Morgan Smith: Take us forward to the next level in this area. And so he and I, from the outset, have had even when he was still a candidate before he joined us as a member of the team.

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Morgan Smith: We had conversations about the importance of stepping up the departments focus on things like implicit bias training, things like diversity, things like

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Morgan Smith: Sensitivity and equity issues. And so I expect to see that if we're five years down the road that that may look very different and much more robust than maybe what it looks like today. And that's because I'm hoping that that's going to be part of what he contributes for us.

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Morgan Smith: And I'm ready to take a stab at the budget question if the chief has done with his answer.

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Morgan Smith: Yes. Okay, I feel, I feel dumb for not having looked this up before, but I have a back of the envelope that I'm confident. It's more than 20% and it's probably 25 to 30% of our general fund budget.

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Morgan Smith: So I can provide that information as a follow up, it's significant.

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Morgan Smith: And it's a significant part of our budget, but that's because. Another thing to think about. And I always try and use the chance for a teaching moment about remember when you're

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Morgan Smith: When you're comparing anything, whether it's our public works or

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Morgan Smith: How the streets get cared for, remember that our city is not like most other cities. It's not apples to oranges.

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Morgan Smith: Many cities will have more in their general fund than we do, because they may have Parks and Rec. So when you talk about what shared is of our budget, we only have three operating departments.

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Morgan Smith: So if you hear a comparison of the fact that our public safety budget is a relatively significant part of our budget.

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Morgan Smith: Part of what I hope you'll immediately. Remember also is that it is one of only three operating departments versus other cities might have four or five or more general fund functions. And so each one would be a smaller share than ours are

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Leslie Schneider: You've got a couple other hands up, or are we good to move on councilman decide

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Rasham Nassar: Yeah, I'll yield the floor, I would like to probably circle around again. But I'm happy to let others common question.

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Rasham Nassar: Thank you.

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER I topless.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Yeah, hi, hello, Chief. Thank you so much for your presentation. I had a couple of questions and comments. So just one comment, real quick, and in response to

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: COUNCILMEMBER witness ours question about lexical we, I believe it was when I was on Council before

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: That we had a study done the Pendleton report, I think that took a look at the at the at the department which had a lot of criticism aimed at at that time and the adoption of lexical

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Or this subscription Alexa pole was, I think, a major step in the professionalism of the department and bringing the department up into the status. It has now, which I I feel like as a citizen in the community.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Has a lot more. We bought more affection, respect for the department. And I think it was probably a good move. So I just want to put out there just remind everyone, it was only like 2014 or so. I think that was funny adopted.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: But one of my questions is, Chief. You'd mentioned that benchmarking is difficult. We don't have

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Things to you, no matter how bench resources to compare and it sounds like the FBI is getting on to that. But I was just wondering whether you are you aware of the police strategies dashboard, a member of our community.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Get I think gave to the department to us or offer to Chief Hamner. A few years ago. So this is actually former council member Bob scales.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: What he did after he left Council was he started an organization that does exactly this. It tracks data.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And there are a number of agencies around the country from San Jose to Spokane to King County.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Who use this. It's a really exciting tool and as far as I know, he's still just said in the last I knew we still offer it free to our community.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And it's an interactive dashboard that looks at use of force from all different data points. I'm going to type of the call the age the gender. The time of day.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And I just, you know, I mean, this is a lay person that seems really cool and it's something we can internally use that anybody can get in and run different questions to figure out our use of force.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And the more agencies that that are online. Then you have the ability when you're in that system to compare. So I just wanted to

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Point that out that that was something that I think that she looked at, at some point.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And then I just want to kind of bookmark for a future discussion my but this is going to come up and maybe maybe COUNCILMEMBER in this hour is going to bring this up but

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I would really love to request a conversation soon our kind of our presentation soon about the IPS role.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: In responding to sexual assault particular with young people obviously it's just an issue that that we're hearing about and

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I think we feel a responsibility. I'm assuming all this council members to understand how our Department handles at what your policies are and if there's any room for improvement there.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: So that's just for later but

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Joe Clark: And I, and I would just say in regards to that I have been communicating with some of the student organizers for most recent events and we're coordinating with the schools to have a meeting, so that we can sit down and talk about these issues, so that's that's

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Thank you.

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you.

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Leslie Schneider: Deputy Mayor

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Joe Deets: Yeah. Hi. Hello. Chief car chief Clark, good to see you. Thanks for coming. It like myself, and we were really looking forward to having your calm and those years of use of force presentation was very, very helpful. I have two questions.

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Joe Deets: One was i i happen to and I think maybe a colleague or two may have joined me on this, but the N double A CP had

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Joe Deets: A series of conversations with police chiefs in King County, which included yourself, but I have managed to attend the first it was like a Friday.

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Joe Deets: Afternoon or something. I managed to attend the first but then subsequently there was on Tuesday nights switch, you know, hey, what are we doing on Tuesday nights as a COUNCILMEMBER

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Joe Deets: But I know you of course where they're representing Bainbridge the Bainbridge Island PD and I just my general question is, is that still ongoing and and

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Joe Deets: Maybe you could kind of briefly summarize where that is going if anywhere that conversation because the first one I attended was very fascinating to hear. I'll just say and. And my second question is, you know, we had some protests demonstrations on the island, as we all know, and

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Joe Deets: You know, we know Seattle had quite a few arrests, there was some some pretty serious.

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Joe Deets: Issues with the police over there, but I'm certainly not aware of that here, but do you have any

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Joe Deets: Numbers or statistics that you could share with us as to any incidents relating to those recent protests that involve the bi PD.

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Joe Clark: So your first question, the N double A CP meeting.

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Joe Clark: Meeting was my understanding, you know, there was a forum to talk about the issues at hand.

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Joe Clark: My understanding was the president was going to reach out for some kind of one on one conversations that has not happened yet.

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Joe Clark: But she and I have shared emails and phone numbers and

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Joe Clark: I reached out to her recently to talk about that last meeting.

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Joe Clark: So that's still pending.

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Joe Clark: I'm certainly open to having conversations and

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Joe Clark: In you know don't mind sharing and hearing opinions on what you know policing in our community should look like.

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Joe Clark: In terms of the protest, you know, they were very successful events here. They all went smoothly.

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Joe Clark: There were no issues, no incidents. Fortunately, we live in a small community and the march down the street was

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Joe Clark: went very well went very smoothly and

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Joe Clark: You know, that's what we're here to. We're here to support those events. Make sure folks have the opportunity to voice their opinions and have their voices heard. So we want to support not trying to prevent

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Leslie Schneider: Great, thank you. Um, quick question before I turn back to cancel my redness are

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Leslie Schneider: So this presentation that you gave us tonight. I'm sure he's going to answer a lot of questions out in the community. But do you think that

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Leslie Schneider: Do you think that it might be

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Leslie Schneider: Well, I guess I'll just suggest that, you know, what if we had a town hall where we had members of the community able to come into, you know,

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Leslie Schneider: The zoom meeting, of course, and then sort of allow the Community to process a lot of what you've processed with us tonight. Is that something that you could see happening, you know,

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Leslie Schneider: In the near future.

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Joe Clark: I think community conversations are important. And, you know, with the under the current restrictions. I've been trying to find creative ways to do that, you know, responding to as many emails as I can. I've had some phone conversations with individuals about these issues.

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Joe Clark: The newsletter submissions. So trying to get that information out and in as many creative ways as possible. Right. I think it's helpful. I would rather answer questions about, you know, the things we do, rather than, you know, have people wondering

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Leslie Schneider: Great. Alright, thank you. Councilmember into, sir.

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Rasham Nassar: Thank you. Um, and I just want to thank counselor I topless for raising the point that you raised and I will just

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Rasham Nassar: let the public know that I did speak to the city manager Smith about that matter today and I'm really glad to hear that our city and our police department are engaging in this topic proactively and cooperatively, I'm really proud for that. So thanks, it's

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Rasham Nassar: It's a really important topic in our community right now.

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Rasham Nassar: Absolutely. So related to next steps and the part two of this police discussion.

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Rasham Nassar: And I just want to thank you again for being here. Chief Clark and

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Rasham Nassar: One of the in terms of how we approach this. This next part of the discussion, and I, I want to first start by acknowledging that we are, we're

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Rasham Nassar: We're questioning and reflecting on our police and how we how as a community we engage in our emergency response in a way that really we've probably never done before.

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Rasham Nassar: And as one of the comments are said we're in a pivotal moment in time, profound period of reflection and I think that the general consensus nationwide is that there's something wrong with our approach.

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Rasham Nassar: And

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Rasham Nassar: I don't know that that's a fact that we can't deny

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Rasham Nassar: Social justice reform equity policy reform to right the wrongs of our collective past are all topics of concern right now we're addressing them in various ways.

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Rasham Nassar: And. And so with that, leading into police discussions in terms of next steps I do hope that we could maybe start with a conversation about maybe focus on the CAHOOTS program down in Eugene, Oregon.

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Rasham Nassar: To kind of kick off that next part of the discussion, which is in terms of reflecting on how we want as a community to read re approach or consider changes and how we respond to emergencies.

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Rasham Nassar: I know that a number of other cities nationwide have developed programs that are similar to CAHOOTS

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Rasham Nassar: I first would be interested in hearing your thoughts on that, of course, and and and would be grateful to hear your comments as to as to how you think we ought to approach that part of the discussion.

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Rasham Nassar: And city manager, I would turn to you as well to ask how you would envision the Council take next steps on that assuming that it's something that the Council would like to discuss. I know that it's, it can be a scary topic. I certainly would

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Rasham Nassar: Hope that we can collaborate around it and and come to some agreement as to how we want to move forward collectively as a as a community to make positive change and work with our police department and not approach it from an adversarial perspective at all.

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Rasham Nassar: So,

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Rasham Nassar: That's that. And then city manager and police chief. I'm just interested in hearing your comments. And then, of course, the Council of that is a discussion that we would like to have the next time we have the police discussion on our agenda.

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Joe Clark: So, you know, I think it's important to look at alternatives.

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Joe Clark: Ideally, we want to look at community services that that are involved before an individual falls into crisis typically our involvement comes at that crisis point. So having resources like our navigator program.

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Joe Clark: That we can refer folks to and to kind of get working with them and get them pointing in the right direction to the right resources ahead of time ahead of police involvement.

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Joe Clark: So that you know we don't end up with that crisis situation. So, you know, certainly those kind of options are key in any strategy.

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Joe Clark: But we have to get ahead of the point where the police would typically be involved.

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Leslie Schneider: All right. Alright.

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Leslie Schneider: So I'm sure this is a conversation that we're going to be continuing for quite some time to come. It's very, very important. And I just want to thank you again chief Clark for

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Leslie Schneider: Just actually to welcome you to the community. It hasn't been that long since you arrived and things got really strange really quick. So I'm just super great to see you here and really looking forward to learning more and more about your department and the changes that you're spearheading

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Leslie Schneider: Looks like I've got a couple other hands up here. Councilmember car.

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Christy Carr: Thank you. Thanks. Chief Clark, for being here. I really appreciate it.

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Christy Carr: I had a question, I guess about process and follow up.

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Christy Carr: In terms of it's sort of a two part question.

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Christy Carr: When you suggested some recommendations.

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Christy Carr: For next steps and some of them include revising policies or restating policies. Is that something that comes back to counsel. I'm not familiar with this manual process. So I see city manager, you might want to answer that. And then kind of as an add on to that.

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Christy Carr: I think you mentioned there about 18,000 police agencies in the country and only 3000 us lexical so trying to build on council member in the SARS question about

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Christy Carr: Sort of specializing policies is looking at what those eight other 80 plus jurisdictions do helpful at all or is. So that's just a question and then I guess I just also wanted to say as a

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Christy Carr: As a citizen. I don't think this is the first time that we've looked at our police department and had a really big conversation with our community. I can't speak to it from being a part of the city council.

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Christy Carr: But as a resident. I know that we've gone through a lot of conversations with the community about our policing and our police force. And I think as COUNCILMEMBER high topless said

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Christy Carr: I feel from a citizen standpoint that we're in a much better place than we were before that. And I'm not saying that we're done.

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Christy Carr: But I just did want to acknowledge that this isn't the first time. And I think that the police department, from my perspective in the city has been responsive to the community. So I would anticipate that that would continue. So thank you.

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Morgan Smith: I'm going to take a couple of those and then let the chief talk about the second question about what, what is the process of the approach or what value can we learn from the agencies that don't use lexical

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Morgan Smith: The policy changes, he outlined tonight are ones that he and I have discussed and he'll be implementing and moving forward with the Council does not

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Morgan Smith: Typically become involved in the implementation of police policies, but we wanted to give everyone some insight into the exercise that he's taken up.

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Morgan Smith: Which is not a one time exercise. That's an iterative process that he'll be doing

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Morgan Smith: Periodically in the context of his leadership of the department, but he'll also be doing as you heard him mentioned every time a new policy update comes across the wire.

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Morgan Smith: So that's part of his assessment is what does this update mean for us. Is it something we're going to want to implement, and if so, what needs to be customized for us. So

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Morgan Smith: This was a great chance to take the interest and the energy from the community and distill down to a really important

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Morgan Smith: Body of Work that the police chief as our new police chief would have taken up anyway.

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Morgan Smith: Would even necessarily done it in this order at this time. Probably not, but it's been a great case study of why I can see his face sort of giving that away a little bit

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Morgan Smith: But it's been a great time to have a new chief here.

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Morgan Smith: Especially one that brings the skills and the experience that you've carted because he could genuinely be doing an arms level assessment, with the benefit of having had I did a long experience with a larger agency.

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Morgan Smith: Which in a lot of ways, is something that we want, as I think I said before, as a manager I encouraged him to bring some of that experience here and leave some of it behind. Right. But one of the things, a larger agency has has is the benefit of a lot of policy administration process.

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Morgan Smith: Mechanics built into the agency which we can't have with 24 people

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Morgan Smith: So that I think is the answer to what happens next with this policy changes. Is he could have

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Morgan Smith: 10 days ago when he completed review just just put those in place, but we kind of took this false break to share with you what he was doing. So you could kind of see how that works, so to speak.

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Morgan Smith: And now he'll do that and I think another thing I just want to make sure everybody who's interested heard

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Morgan Smith: Is he could have also gone ahead and posted the policies online, but I said let's wait and have the conversation so people can see that that is something that we are doing

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Morgan Smith: But also hear from him and me directly at some of those are going to change. So we're putting things online for expediency sake today.

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Morgan Smith: He's going to then take up subsequent review of and likely make changes and adjustments to

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Morgan Smith: So when people are looking at those policies online, which we definitely want them to do. That's the reason to make them available.

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Morgan Smith: Just know that he's going to take that same process that same review exercise through the remainder of the policies.

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Morgan Smith: So I wanted to mention that. And then I just want to pick up on your, your point about the community conversation with police that's also not a one time thing.

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Morgan Smith: And one of the things that maybe just having recently worked on the search for our next chief and thinking about where things were five years ago where they are today and where you want them to be five years from now.

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Morgan Smith: One of the things that was really clear to me and my discussions with the department and my discussion with finalist candidates is

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Morgan Smith: Do I feel like the community and department have a better relationship together than they did five years ago. Absolutely.

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Morgan Smith: Is that something that needs constant care and feeding and energy. Absolutely. And the department wants that because

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Morgan Smith: I can tell you that not every community has that and it makes both sides of the equation so much more successful and constructive and productive so

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Morgan Smith: You don't when you're at the speed. You want to be at you. Don't take your foot off the gas you keep feeding.

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Morgan Smith: And that's what our department will do. So I just wanted to kind of pick up on one of the things you were saying, and

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Morgan Smith: Maybe restate the fact that if we feel like we've had some progress. It doesn't mean that we're at the goal, it means that we're at a step on the staircase. So we can go to some other parts and move on and set higher and higher expectations.

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Joe Clark: And so I think the other part of that question was about looking at other departments policies. Absolutely. There are resources for model policies.

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Joe Clark: Through professional organizations, many departments post their policies online and we don't mind comparing and borrowing in, you know, finding the pieces that make

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Joe Clark: The best fit for this community.

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Joe Clark: This. This job is, you know, we can't be stagnant. We have to keep moving forward.

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Joe Clark: Society is evolving constantly changing. We have to evolve and change with it and we have to maintain communities standards community expectations.

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Joe Clark: You know, because we're here for the community. So it's, you know, it's always growing. We're always looking for ideas and we're always making changes where we need to

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you very much. Councilmember Medina.

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Kol Medina: Hi, good evening, Chief. Thank you for being here and welcome to the team.

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Kol Medina: Really pleased to have you. I have a, I guess, to kind of shakes out as a few questions or they're all kind of related, but I'd like to just kind of put them all out on the table and hope you can respond to them as kind of best you can.

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Kol Medina: So I don't know if you have notes, you're taking that, you know, here you go. I'm going to try to land a couple questions for you.

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Kol Medina: First is not a question. I just want to say I agree with the changes are suggesting to our policies that sounds great. So thank you for bringing us forward.

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Kol Medina: So after the murder of Mr Floyd and and all the protests, of course, and received some emails.

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Kol Medina: So,

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Leslie Schneider: Sorry to interrupt your, your audio got strange real fast. You want to try again. Let me just see what with your okay now.

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Leslie Schneider: I know you're sounding scary.

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Kol Medina: And that's weird.

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Leslie Schneider: You just got better.

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Kol Medina: And I don't know what to do about it.

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Leslie Schneider: It's, I think it's just a passing thing but we needed to let it pass

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Kol Medina: Okay, well hopefully it'll, it'll stay okay for a minute here. I'm okay now.

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Kol Medina: Yeah. How far did I get it, I get past, I agree with the changes.

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Leslie Schneider: You got past that.

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Kol Medina: Okay. And I was saying that, of course, with the murder, Mr Floyd and the protests, we got some requests here. I mean, not a lot, but some requests or email to defend our police department and make other large changes.

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Kol Medina: And, you know, as a council member and a person sitting here on my couch like I am, who's not deeply informed about our police department and the way, obviously you are chief

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Kol Medina: I thought to myself, Well, why not, would that makes sense here for us. And my gut reaction is, well, no, I don't think so. Based on the little I know

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Kol Medina: Of our police department. After four and some years on council. So I have some kind of questions around that so

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Kol Medina: What is different about our police department, you know, they're obviously now been a number of police departments where people have been and, you know, in my opinion.

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Kol Medina: wrongly killed. Is there something different in those police departments their policies are different or situations are different, that makes them different from here and if you have any thoughts about that.

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Kol Medina: I'd be interested in you just sharing your personal feelings about those deaths and if you have any personal feelings you want to share about that.

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Kol Medina: And more just pragmatically wouldn't actually be tenable to reduce our police department budget and as I understand it.

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Kol Medina: Few years ago we increase the budget by enough to hire for new police officers, because that was described to us is really the minimum number we needed to have an actual kind of functioning police force.

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Kol Medina: Most people on the island. I'm sure don't understand. But the majority of the time, correct me if I'm wrong, Chief. We only have two police officers on duty.

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Kol Medina: Maybe sometimes three but we really have a small force. So, correct me if I'm wrong on that.

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Kol Medina: But my point is, we couldn't just cut half the force because then we just wouldn't have enough police officers and I wonder if you have thoughts about that.

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Kol Medina: And the only place where I thought to myself, we made, we could save some money and re use the money repurpose it for some other purpose, a community serving purpose.

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Kol Medina: It's just with all the technology, you know, our police officers, we have expensive cars and we have a lot of expensive equipment and I've often wondered if we really need all that stuff here for Bainbridge Island.

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Kol Medina: So those are the thoughts swirling around in my head. And if you can answer some or any of that, I would appreciate it. Thanks.

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Joe Clark: So, and I try to capture all of those, you know, in terms of

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Joe Clark: Some of these incidents, you know, it goes back to culture and a lot of cases, I think when you look at Minneapolis.

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Joe Clark: There is a culture that allowed that to happen. There were four police officers there and three who could have stopped that from happening.

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Joe Clark: You know, at least one brought up a suggestion from, you know, what I've read that said, Hey, you know, maybe we should get them up and you know that didn't happen. So that goes to the culture of the organization that they thought that was okay.

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Joe Clark: You know, that's where your, your cultural diversity and implicit bias training comes in as you get people to think about themselves within their themselves and kind of challenge those inner perceptions and brings about some different understanding about the value of all people.

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Joe Clark: You know, and that's, you know, that's a different kind of culture than I think what we saw in Minneapolis. So that has to do with in some ways the size of the organization. It's hard in a large organization for the guy at the top to make sure that tone influences everyone

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Joe Clark: A little bit easier. Here, I mean I can talk to most of my folks on any given week I can just about touch everyone

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Joe Clark: In terms of staffing, which we try to have for per shift, and that includes the supervisor and then the patrol officers that are out doing the work.

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Joe Clark: You know, part of the issue is, is if we make an arrest you know that's a better one hour trip. I guess over to port orchard.

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Joe Clark: The time to process that. So that during that time that officers off the island. We have to make sure that we still have enough coverage here so that we can respond to calls or, you know, in the event something more serious happens

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Joe Clark: Our staffing level, you know, where it about one officer per thousand residents. A lot of places, you'll see two to three officers per thousand. So

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Joe Clark: But I think that's right for our community and in terms of equipment we you know we have to evaluate the equipment, all the time. The officers spend 12 hours a day in their cars.

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Joe Clark: You know, we were always looking for value, but we have to be able to do the job and accomplish the goal.

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Joe Clark: There's a lot of equipment that goes into cars in terms of computers so that they can access your records data, the things they need to do their job and to do it more efficiently than we could in the past.

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Joe Clark: You know, I hope that there was a whole lot in there. So hopefully I've at least touched on it.

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Leslie Schneider: Great, thank you. Um, so just a quick time check. We are now about 15 minutes over. And we actually started a little bit ahead of schedule. And this is a super important conversation. So I don't think any of us regret doing that.

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER into sorry if you could help wrap us up. That'd be really great.

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Rasham Nassar: Yeah, thank you for allowing me one more opportunity to speak. I really just wanted to clarify the question in my last round of comments.

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Rasham Nassar: The question. I don't think maybe it was clear enough but picking up on COUNCILMEMBER Medina's comments. The question that I posed to the Council and the city manager and

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Rasham Nassar: Police Chief Clark was whether or not in terms of next steps we as a council are going in city are going to commit to at least having a discussion.

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Rasham Nassar: Centered around potentially reallocating some of that 25 to 30% of our general fund that's currently allocated towards the police.

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Rasham Nassar: towards other community services or social social services or mental health services.

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Rasham Nassar: So that's the question and I don't. I mean, I, this is the time I I assume because we have next steps that are pre prepared for us in the packet. Personally, I would advocate that we do have that conversation, the next time that we have a conversation related to police and I you know I

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Rasham Nassar: If we're not. I think we ought to be transparent about that because that's that's the point and the impetus behind the movement that is stirring all around us.

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Rasham Nassar: And I think that we at least owe it to our community to be very clear about whether or not we, as a city are going to have that discussion or not.

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Rasham Nassar: In terms of my support for having that discussion.

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Rasham Nassar: I personally feel it's naive to suggest that we don't have a problem on Bainbridge Island. I don't think that we, that we're talking to everyone. If that is our opinion or our belief.

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Rasham Nassar: There are other voices in the community that are not present with us tonight that are really strongly behind the Council having that discussion.

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Rasham Nassar: There are gaps and services in our community that have we've had requests to be filled, one that comes to mind is teen suicide and teen mental health services.

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Rasham Nassar: And the gap in those services on the island. Another one is coming to the forefront right now, which is how our city responds to instances of

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Rasham Nassar: rape and sexual abuse and assault real revolting minors.

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Rasham Nassar: And there's probably several more that we're not consciously aware of tonight, but I think part of that discussion would allow us to put that on the table and then engage in that larger

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Rasham Nassar: national debate Seattle's doing it. Lots of cities are doing it. I'm sure cities are size are doing it. And I would just really strongly encourage us to as well.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay.

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Rasham Nassar: Thank you.

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Leslie Schneider: All right, we've got to our hands out

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Leslie Schneider: Case where we're Polycom and go to you first, because we haven't heard from you yet. Is that right,

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Michael Pollock: Yes.

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Michael Pollock: Thank you. Thank you, police chief and city manager and council members.

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Michael Pollock: I just really want to get back to the next steps and you know that the term defund the police is kind of the term of the day but but at least my understanding is it's really

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Michael Pollock: reallocating funds to me more social services and the people that are better able and better trained to handle certain types of situations that me and related to

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Michael Pollock: Social problems. And so I guess this is really a question of the Council to follow up as what what do we want to do here. What are the next steps. Do we want to form a committee subcommittee to look at

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Michael Pollock: Something like that that we talked about CAHOOTS I would personally like to see what our budget is right now and the 25 to 30% sounds, about the same as

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Michael Pollock: With Seattle police departments, a percentage of the general fund, I would like to see what it would look like to

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Michael Pollock: reallocate resources to more social services. What do we lose what do we gain. It's the same debate that's going on in Seattle. What's going on elsewhere. So

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Michael Pollock: I would like to know what the next steps are for that I would certainly like to see some numbers and to be able to make an informed decision about

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Michael Pollock: How we could move forward with this sort of idea of getting social services better funded and getting maybe I think it was put in the Seattle.

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Michael Pollock: City Council addressing some of the root causes that lead to crime in the first place. And so putting budgetary expenses in that direction. Maybe it doesn't need to come directly from defending the police, maybe it does, but I guess for me to make an informed decision having

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Michael Pollock: Costs And Benefits analysis for reallocation of funds, what it would look like what we were getting what we're going live so

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Michael Pollock: I'm putting it out to the Council to the city manager in particular and to the police chief is how do we get there. How do we get that that ledger sheet so we can make an informed decision.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay. The city manager has her hand up. So I'm going to jump to her.

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Morgan Smith: Yeah, well. Councilmember holic I think you hit on something that I think will matter to a city of our size. So as I said, and I was checking a little bit of math.

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Morgan Smith: You know, it depends on what you call our budget, but our general fund expenditures for 2020 are about 16 million and the police department share of that is about six

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Morgan Smith: So that's a little north of a third. But as I said, we only have three operating departments and a lot of our additional costs. We have a much larger total budget, it comes from other FUNDS BESIDES general fund.

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Morgan Smith: But so just so we're talking, you know, off of the same page. Do we currently spend about \$6 million a year on police

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Morgan Smith: As with all of our other departments about 75% of that is salary and benefits there isn't a lot of stuff associated with that department. So I think just to be realistic and start from a point of fact.

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Morgan Smith: You won't be able to do much without reallocating you know your commitment to how many police officers, you want to have in the community. It will just have to be a question about personnel.

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Morgan Smith: If the point, though, that you made inside the comments. It's a question about, are there other things we'd like to fund and those those choices aren't necessarily tied to a reduction in police then, then it's not a zero sum conversation but

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Morgan Smith: I just want to make sure that you know there's no need to not have the basic facts available to everyone. And that's that we spend about \$6 million to fund our

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Morgan Smith: Police officers. Councilmember Medina mentioned, we recently completed a four year plan to increase that staffing. One of the goals which Steve Clarke touched on, or one of the results of having a little more

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Morgan Smith: A LITTLE HIGHER OFFICE account than we did six years ago is that the officers that are on patrol have the benefit of having somebody else. They know will be there.

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Morgan Smith: Or or is already there on calls for service and that can really influence the outcomes of challenging calls for service.

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Morgan Smith: Because the risk level, the stress level, the threat level is different when you have two officers.

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Morgan Smith: Versus one on the scene. It helps in some ways to de escalate to have that second presence in a way that just having a one on one scenario becomes a higher level of risk.

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Morgan Smith: So if we're going to talk about reducing police budget. I want us to be clear that we would have to be talking about reducing police personnel and I want people to at the outset understand there are ways in which that works against the goals that you're describing

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Leslie Schneider: Great, thank you see manager, I'm coming back now to councilman right topless.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Yeah, I absolutely agree that that this is a conversation we need to have at the same time, feeling that I understand the context that the city manager is talking about that counselor Medina brought forward.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And it sounds like Michael is addressing that as well. Councilmember public, sorry.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I'm in that it doesn't have to be a zero sum game. And I think I would add, domestic violence to the list as well as just other general mental health issues.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: That I'd be very interested in seeing if we can augment our police, you know,

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Response or place it in some situations, but that is not necessarily mean a defunding of the police. So I think if we go into that kind of a constructive conversation. What we're trying to do is figure out how to replace some of those calls potentially

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: If possible, or augment those calls with social services. I think that's great. And I think we do out to the community to have the conversation, one way or the other.

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you, Debbie. Meredith,

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Joe Deets: Yeah. Hi. Sorry, I was all raring to have us move on. But this is a great conversation. I think

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Joe Deets: Just a suggestion. Maybe we schedule at some point. Another wider conversation about policing because it there's clearly a lot of interest among us. Someone myself colleagues in the community so

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Joe Deets: Because we're not going to solve this tonight we're already over over budget on the time. But let me just say I just want to make one comment.

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Joe Deets: My understanding of defend the police and just very rudimentary but is really not using law enforcement to enforce non criminal behavior.

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Joe Deets: And yet I had there was colleagues who wanted to have a mask ordinance where police would do just that. So I think we need to kind of think through what is it that we want the police to do

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Joe Deets: And and really, if it's not criminal don't get them involved. And so this was a real big issue of myopic of his opposition to that mass partner. So, folks, kind of connect the dots is what I'm saying.

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Joe Deets: I don't want to get into debate tonight, but I'm just hearing this to fund the police and yet all by the way was to have a an enforcement ordinance for mass

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Joe Deets: No, that doesn't compute, sorry.

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER Medina.

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Kol Medina: Yeah, I think it can be quick.

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Kol Medina: I really agree with everything that counts for high topless. I'd say, and there's a distinction that I think support and for us to have mine or I certainly have in mind, and I find meaningful and I just wasn't sure to put it into words. But I think counselor. I talk listed

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Kol Medina: So I'll try to put in my own words.

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Kol Medina: Whether the city were to try to come up with money from the police budget or just its own general fund some way the city's never going to have enough money to have

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Kol Medina: Substantial impacts on the provision of social services on the island. The city's never going to have enough money to have a substantial impact on a lot of the issues that have been raised tonight.

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Kol Medina: We just won't as someone who works in the nonprofit field and sees the tremendous amounts of money put into this these types of social issues, our city budget will never be such that we can have an appreciable impact on that.

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Kol Medina: So, no, I'm not personally interested in talking about taking money out of the police budget to just try to fund more social services.

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Kol Medina: But what I think would be an interesting conversation is what I think counselor I toggles is talking about. And that's potentially spending money in different ways so that

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Kol Medina: The response to things crises issues calls the responses, possibly different so the response involves someone else with a social service background. Maybe then just a police officer.

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Kol Medina: Or the police officers have a different training. Are there different types of police officers that have different types of training for different types of responses. I think that I think

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Kol Medina: Would be a potentially useful conversation. But just like taking money to like fun general social services on the island. I, I think that's kind of pointless.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, I'm going to try to move us on here.

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Leslie Schneider: See manager. Your hand is still up. Did you have more that you wanted to say or

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Morgan Smith: Well, just I will, I will close by to continue. Some of what COUNCILMEMBER Regina was just referring to. I'm having also spend some time looking at our community services funding.

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Morgan Smith: And I always want to make sure people are very educated about the fact that the city of Bainbridge Island is a significant funder in our community, to a degree that other cities that exceeds what other cities, particularly cities, our size do on a per capita basis.

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Morgan Smith: We are, we have for several years now, been providing

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Morgan Smith: \$330,000 a year in direct financial support to local nonprofits.

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Morgan Smith: And that's done through a funding cycle and what the Council can do is control two different important levers. One is how much money goes into that funding cycle that goes directly to people providing services on our island and number two.

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Morgan Smith: Providing direction through the priorities, you said with that funding.

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Morgan Smith: About where you want to see impact or where you think there are gaps that other funding your the city's funding might be particularly impactful. And so that might be something to take into your future conversations as well so

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Leslie Schneider: Great, thank you. And I think that one of the one of the items that was mentioned is taking a look at the roots program. And I think that that's going to be really helpful for all of us just to understand not just amongst ourselves but with the community more widely, you know,

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Leslie Schneider: what that's all about. So we have some time on the July 28 that we

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Leslie Schneider: That is sort of a public safety allocation. Is that something that we can

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Morgan Smith: Discuss let's. I'm sorry. I thank you for bringing us back to that because I would appreciate some clarification from Council about what you would like next

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Morgan Smith: What we have been developing to bring on the 28th is to meet the expectation that we will provide a public safety briefing every quarter.

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Morgan Smith: And so the chief is designing a presentation and has been finalizing it because I know the 28th feels like it's a long ways away, but he has to have it finished, about a week from now.

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Morgan Smith: That was more of a soup to nuts. These are the goals for the department. These are some pretty some priorities is where we're going next.

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Morgan Smith: It would be in some ways an interesting foundation for a town hall. If you wanted to do that kind of discussion and if what Council wanted to do was have

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Morgan Smith: More of a focus policy conversation about these topics, then I'd prefer to have a little more time for the chief to prepare for that and bring that to you in August, say,

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Leslie Schneider: So, I'm sorry. So I heard the town hall thing. So which which topics would would be a more most appropriate going to community town hall.

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Morgan Smith: Well, what I'm guessing is that the briefing that we're preparing to meet the requirement to deliver a third quarter briefing on the department is a little bit

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Morgan Smith: More fundamental to how the department works what its priorities are how its operations are laid out, etc. And it's not going to be particularly customized to the to the of the moment current policy discussion that you're talking about now.

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Morgan Smith: If you want to continue the discussion on the topics we were just touching on I'd recommend that we give the chief more time.

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Morgan Smith: Take the material. I think it can be put to good use as the foundation of a town hall that he would have provided on the 28th and come in August to continue this conversation about server potential services or options to augment the community, the policing structure that we have today.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, thank you. Councilmember I topless.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I don't know if this fits in along the lines of what you're talking about. Morgan. But if we have assume a town hall would have a public

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Comment of strong public comment component. So if you're talking about having saw a general presentation of here's where the department is going goals values.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And then we pull in a lot of comment that would help also them prepare for this other conversation.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Right now we're all speculating about what the community may or may want not want us to explore with regards to these other options. So that just makes a lot of sense to me from a, from a step one, step up to the next perspective. So I endorse that.

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Morgan Smith: Okay.

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Leslie Schneider: So I think from my goals for a town hall is that we get way beyond what our public comment is in a normal business meeting and that we allow back and forth some question and answer.

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Leslie Schneider: So yes, to answer your question, I think that there would be some presentation of information, but the bulk of it would be in sort of listening to the community and then having a and having a back and forth with members of that community that that would be Michael for a town hall.

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Leslie Schneider: On

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Morgan Smith: When I use that term. I'm envisioning something that's primarily an outreach and engagement event.

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Morgan Smith: Right, leaving the Council, which is a presentation of information to you. So those are two different things.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, so, colleagues, are we good sort of thumbs up on letting chief Clark sort of prepare us for a town hall discussion. I'm in August. Does that seem like a okay see manager. Does that answer your question. And do we then not need a slot in on the July 28 or are we repurchasing or

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Morgan Smith: Yes, let me just restate it and make sure we're on the same page so

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Morgan Smith: We will not bring you a third quarter briefing on the department, which is something that was constructed last fall with the wind down at the Public Safety Committee. These quarterly briefings were then scheduled to happen.

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Morgan Smith: Instead, going forward. So we're not going to have a Q3 briefing. We've had this discussion tonight, which was on a very specific topic.

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Morgan Smith: What we will do next is organize a town hall that will do some of the presentation of so you want to know about your police department, but will also be primarily a community engagement event that will be about some of these

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Morgan Smith: Timely topics and policy questions that you are pointed towards so there can be a listening and back and forth engagement from the community.

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Morgan Smith: So I'm going to ask that we plan for that to be

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Morgan Smith: A little bit down the road. Because one of the things that makes outreach successful is if you have time to explain it publicize it. And to do that you have to shape the thing that you're trying to encourage people to draw them towards

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Morgan Smith: So I think we can get it done in August, but I just want to acknowledge, we don't want to just throw it together and have a zoom webinar in 14 days and expects it to be as successful as what you're looking for.

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Leslie Schneider: That, that sounds great. Councilmember I topless. Did you

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Just one more thought. I mean, I know most people are traveling much this year, obviously. But generally speaking, the public tends to not like for us to have big events in August.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: So maybe September early September will just after school gets settled help that looks, it might be, it might be more inclusive, in addition to providing more lead time

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Morgan Smith: I know if Kristin drew our communications manager, we're here. She would echo those comments that we have found in the past that August. This is not a year like other years but we found in the past that August is not a time to successfully draw large numbers of people to us.

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Leslie Schneider: Great. I think we have a plan.

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Leslie Schneider: To. Thanks again so much for coming and we look forward to continuing this conversation.

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Joe Clark: Thank you. Have a good night.

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You too.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, we are moving on to item nine be

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Leslie Schneider: Emergency coven 19 cleaning contract amendment number one public works.

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Leslie Schneider: Hello director riziki

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Chris Wierzbicki: Evening counsel Chris was Becky public works director. Good to see you all.

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Chris Wierzbicki: Have a couple of items for you this evening. First one is the amendment to our janitorial contract for city facilities.

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Chris Wierzbicki: If you'll remember a couple of months back, we asked you for some additions
ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR A janitorial contract to address a deep cleaning of our city facilities, three times a week.

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Chris Wierzbicki: That contract expired in June and we extended it under the city managers authority, the city manager has the authority to extend contracts under the emergency proclamation, even if they are normally over her.

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Chris Wierzbicki: Signing authority. So that is the path that we took. However, our procurement manual requires and we still bring forward that those contracts to you for ratification.

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Chris Wierzbicki: So that is what we are doing this evening the contract that you are ratifying tonight and moving to consent is for either that deep cleaning for the remainder of the year.

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Chris Wierzbicki: It's \$55,000 and the janitorial crew that we have has been doing a great job with this. And I think the city staff and other visitors to City Hall and facilities very much appreciate our attention to this. So,

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Chris Wierzbicki: Happy to address any questions for them.

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Leslie Schneider: To Florida, sorry. Your hand is up.

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Rasham Nassar: I moved forward ratification of amendment number one to the PSA with island hands, LLC in the amount of \$55,000 for approval with the July 28 2020 consent agenda. Okay.

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER Medina seconded. Any further comments.

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Leslie Schneider: All right. All in favor please say aye.

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Leslie Schneider: Any opposed, that passes unanimously. Thank you, Chris.

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Leslie Schneider: Excellent. We're now moving on to item nine see springbrook Creek and manzanita Creek Watershed Planning Department of Ecology Puget Sound natural estuary program grant acceptance and budget amendment looks like this is well

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Chris Wierzbicki: Yep. So this is a grant that the city applied for I believe back in 2017

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Chris Wierzbicki: So, any of you are familiar with the near term action process they. This is a series of actions that are identified by organizations all over the state.

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Chris Wierzbicki: To help improve the Puget Sound recovery. The money is given by the state, and it is kind of managed by the Department of Ecology and the Puget Sound partnership.

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Chris Wierzbicki: These near term actions there there's hundreds of them that have been submitted for grant applications and they get funded every year. So

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Chris Wierzbicki: We submitted this application. Like I said, three years ago and just received notice that we've received the funding if we choose to accept it amount is \$200,000 and it would be for watershed level planning for the manzanita and springbrook Creek watersheds. So this work is

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Chris Wierzbicki: Not only a very interesting and critical environmental work for our community, but it also advances, one of the new requirements in our

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Chris Wierzbicki: Meds permit, which is the city's stormwater general permit. We are required now to do watershed scale planning at the level that this grant would help us fund.

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Chris Wierzbicki: So this, this is a great environmental project, but it also is helping us meet some regulatory requirements over the next two years for the seas permit as well.

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Chris Wierzbicki: One last thing about this and I'll open it up to questions. Is that we are anticipating that this project will be managed by city staff that we have on staff currently we're not proposing to hire any new people to do this work or the MTA are very much a grant that is built.

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Chris Wierzbicki: With partnerships in mind. So it's very likely that we will be finding other organizational partners to help do this work with us.

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Chris Wierzbicki: could include the conservation district or a concept public health or a state agencies and we'll be sharing some of the funding with those partners and getting the work to move forward.

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Chris Wierzbicki: We're also anticipating that a portion of the money, perhaps 10 to 15% of the funds could go to implementation of a project and not just the planning work, but being able to do some implementation in the watershed as well.

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Kol Medina: So,

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Chris Wierzbicki: Happy to answer any questions about that.

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Leslie Schneider: Alright, that's exciting. Thank you. Councilmember nisar

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Rasham Nassar: Forward for approval with the July 28 2020 consent agenda. The Department of Ecology Puget Sound natural estuary program grant acceptance and the amount of \$200,000 or the springbrook manzanita Creek Watershed planning efforts and an associated budget amendment of \$200,000

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER MONDAY THE SECOND. ANY DISCUSSION

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Leslie Schneider: All right. All those in favor please say aye.

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Christy Carr: Aye. Aye.

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Leslie Schneider: Any opposed.

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Leslie Schneider: Passes unanimously. Thank you, Chris.

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Leslie Schneider: And we are working for it now to item nine, D. This is the Korean generator upgrades Professional Services Agreement.

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Chris Wierzbicki: Yep. So this item is for professional services to help us design chlorine generators for three of our cities were well systems.

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Chris Wierzbicki: We

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Chris Wierzbicki: Use chlorine is using eaten all these systems in the city water distribution system and for disinfectant and

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Chris Wierzbicki: For the water system.

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Chris Wierzbicki: We actually have to have these units, the anticipated for replacement in the city's Capital Improvement Plan.

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Chris Wierzbicki: And we just give you a heads up, we will be potentially asking for a budget amendment when we get to the implementation part of this work because we turns out we actually have three units that need to be replaced the sands Avenue well coordinator

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Chris Wierzbicki: Is a newer unit but it hasn't been functioning in the way that

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Chris Wierzbicki: We would really like it to be using it's taking a lot of maintenance and so we are going to propose to replace that unit as well. And we'll be asking for some additional funds to do that.

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Chris Wierzbicki: But right now we're just asking you for approval of this consultant contract for designing and the units are H2 is the engineering firm that we've selected to do the work. The contract is at \$2,906 and we have about 250,000 currently in the city's budget for this work.

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you very much. Comes Marian decide

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Rasham Nassar: I moved to Florida, the professional services agreement with our H2 engineering Inc for approval with the July 28 2020 consent agenda.

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Leslie Schneider: House memorabilia seconded, any discussion.

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Leslie Schneider: All those in favor please say aye.

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Leslie Schneider: Any opposed the passes unanimously. Thank you very much, Chris. And we are on to item nine, the Bainbridge parks foundation bench donations, back to you.

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Chris Wierzbicki: Last but not least we have two benches that the Bainbridge parks foundation would like donate to the city, both of them located on the sound Olympics trail. One of them at the kind of top of the ramp as you

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Chris Wierzbicki: Just leaving wins away and the second one being near the intersection of three or five in high school rope. So Public Works is the manager of all things donated to the sea. And so we would like to accept these two benches from the parks foundation

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER into sorry

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Rasham Nassar: I moved forward. The Bainbridge personalization bench donations for approval with the July 28 2020 consent agenda.

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Leslie Schneider: Got a rhythm going here councilman COUNCILMEMBER muddy and a second. Any further discussion.

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Leslie Schneider: All those in favor please say aye.

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Christy Carr: Aye.

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Leslie Schneider: Any opposed.

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Leslie Schneider: That passes unanimously. Thank you so much, Chris really

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Chris Wierzbicki: Appreciate it.

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Chris Wierzbicki: Have a good evening.

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Leslie Schneider: All right, we are now moving to Item nine F ordinance 2023 housekeeping changes revising chapters 2.14 2.16 18.09 18 point

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Leslie Schneider: 36 the be Magellan municipal code. And this is planning and this is Jennifer

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Jennifer Sutton: Yes, it is.

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Leslie Schneider: All right.

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Jennifer Sutton: You hear me.

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Leslie Schneider: Yes, we can.

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Jennifer Sutton: Hi, good evening city council.

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Jennifer Sutton: Here to here tonight for the first of three planning, planning.

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Jennifer Sutton: Issues for before you. I'm Jennifer satin senior planner and this is your first discussion on ordinance.

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Jennifer Sutton: And what we have been calling internally the housekeeping ordinance.

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Jennifer Sutton: City staff have been keeping a log of clarifications or other fixes needed in the city's development code and in 2019 that department moved forward with this housekeeping effort.

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Jennifer Sutton: The planning department coordinated with the city attorney's office on this effort, which covers changes to title to

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Jennifer Sutton: which outlines permit processes and land use bodies like the planning commission and hearing examiner those Title two changes are shown in exhibit a

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Jennifer Sutton: Changes to Title 18 owning are shown an exhibit B. And there are two kind of summary tables that are orange and white in your packet that kind of describes why we're suggesting each change. In addition to these cleanup or clarifying changes ordinance.

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Jennifer Sutton: also proposes a new use called temporary construction staging, which includes a definition for the US and us specific standards added to that section of our code.

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Jennifer Sutton: The memo outlines

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Jennifer Sutton: How this use came about, or the lack of this use came about.

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Jennifer Sutton: When the city began construction on the sound Olympics trail at the intersection of minutes away and 305

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Jennifer Sutton: So I'd be happy to answer any questions that the Council has about this housekeeping ordinance. I know it is a lot of pages, we've tried to highlight the changes in the exhibits to bring your attention to the changes.

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Jennifer Sutton: And I'd also be happy to put any of the materials on the screen if that would be helpful.

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Leslie Schneider: Good question, Jennifer. So the next item nine G is talking about the temporary construction staging permit. So can you just distinguish for us.

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Jennifer Sutton: Sure the ordinance, the housekeeping ordinance.

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Jennifer Sutton: 20 2003

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Jennifer Sutton: Would would establish this new us that we're calling temporary construction staging and establish specific standards that would be reviewed. If a temporary construction staging permit was received. And then the resolution that is up next would add a new fee for such temporary

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Jennifer Sutton: Construction staging permit there's but that's just half of what's being suggested in the fee resolution. That's next

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Jennifer Sutton: Great. So they do travel together a little bit.

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Jennifer Sutton: In that if the Council decided that they didn't want to add the new use temporary conception staging, we would not need the fee.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, great. I appreciate that. Councilmember to start

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Rasham Nassar: Yeah, thanks. And

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Rasham Nassar: Nice to hear you, Jennifer. We can't see you.

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Jennifer Sutton: I'm sorry, I'm having a little bit of trouble with my my zoom camera.

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Rasham Nassar: No, no worries. So, just real quick on page 22 of the title to changes the motion for reconsideration.

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Rasham Nassar: I'm just, I'm just, I'm noticing here that we eliminated the specificity in terms of the number of days that an applicant has most of the reconsideration.

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Rasham Nassar: To just a reasonable

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Rasham Nassar: But those are elsewhere in the code.

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Jennifer Sutton: So you're you're talking about on page 22 of exhibit a

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Jennifer Sutton: Section seven

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Rasham Nassar: He kind of i think it's it's kind of key changes.

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Jennifer Sutton: Yes, yes. So this is going to

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Jennifer Sutton: So the, the city attorney's office developed a slate of changes that you'll see throughout this exhibit related to

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Jennifer Sutton: clarifying the Rules of Procedure for the hearing examiner and how the Rules of Procedure are adopted and amended and where the city should post them.

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Jennifer Sutton: And so this change is related to that work, and I think I'll rely on the city attorney to answer the specific question about the number of days.

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Joe Levan: Also one dimension, you

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Jennifer Sutton: Can put the section on the screen. If that's

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Helpful.

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Joe Levan: So the other thing for the Council to know is that based on what Jennifer was talking about on the presentation, just in general, is it the hearing or the

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Joe Levan: Planning Commission has reviewed this ordinance and they had a public hearing on it. And so what you're seeing is the product of the of the politicians as to where that is and you know terms of the different things that are suggested

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Joe Levan: Here, any danger.

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Joe Levan: There was to match what will be your examiner rules of procedure with what's in our code because when we got the new here exam or a few years ago.

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Joe Levan: They came out as an adopted Rules of Procedure and that's that's what the the intent of these changes are to match those up.

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Joe Levan: So in terms of the 10 days I could look at that. But this language actually provides a little more flexibility because I'm at a reasonable amount of time, whereas before it said 10 days so

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Rasham Nassar: Okay, thanks. I mean, I don't mean to pick on that point. But this was when this is presented to us it's presented as clarifying and not necessarily changing

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Rasham Nassar: The policy or the procedures and and so to strike and as a specified period of time in favor of have a vague, you know, reasonable amount of time. I just was making sure that that was

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Rasham Nassar: That there was a another somewhere else.

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Joe Levan: Yeah.

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Joe Levan: In relation to what's in the Quran examiner Rules of Procedure, so

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Leslie Schneider: Oh, right. Are there other questions on these changes.

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER car.

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Christy Carr: Thanks, Jennifer, I know this was a long time. So thanks to everyone on staff. I know it was a team effort. So it's great to see it before Council.

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Jennifer Sutton: Absolutely.

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Christy Carr: Because I know it'll be helpful for staff so

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Christy Carr: Thanks. I just had actually a couple of really

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Christy Carr: To help

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Christy Carr: Me clarify things on page two for the packet in

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Christy Carr: To 14 too old for the planning commission

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Christy Carr: That last sentence is deleted in terms of whether or not planning no committee shall have the power to commit the Commission to the endorsement of any plan or program without the form of the Commission.

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Christy Carr: So does that mean that, for example, a subcommittee.

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Christy Carr: could commit the full planning commission to something where. Could you just explain how that

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Christy Carr: Deletion was a recommendation from the planning commission

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Jennifer Sutton: I sure would it be helpful if I put this on the screen.

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Jennifer Sutton: Or do you think everyone is following should

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Leslie Schneider: Put it on the screen.

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Jennifer Sutton: Okay, I know it's a lot of

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Jennifer Sutton: Let's see.

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Jennifer Sutton: Let's say, Did that work.

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Not yet.

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Jennifer Sutton: Okay.

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Jennifer Sutton: Um, let's see.

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Leslie Schneider: If, if this is a bit of a struggle. There's no

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Leslie Schneider: No need. We can. Okay. Yeah.

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Jennifer Sutton: Go, Sir.

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Jennifer Sutton: I think I have too many tabs open. Sure. So this change, which is on page two of exhibit a

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Jennifer Sutton: Is being made to kind of clarify the subcommittee.

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Jennifer Sutton: How the planning commission could use subcommittees and

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Jennifer Sutton: The when we were going over this section with the city attorney's office. We wanted to make clear that

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Jennifer Sutton: A subcommittee of the planning commission wouldn't be the body making the recommendation to council that any work of the subcommittee would need to be affirmed by a quorum of the full Commission.

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Christy Carr: Right, it seems that by deleting that last sentence, though, you're, you're not clarifying that point. What's the intent to just remove what I just don't understand the intent of removing the language. I understand the intent of what you just said.

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Jennifer Sutton: Mm hmm.

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Joe Levan: I think the goal there is that it's because of less than majority of a governing body such as a commission and speak Commission.

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Joe Levan: So it's, it's, it was superfluous because just because based on the quality of the governing body which, in that case is the planning commission

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Joe Levan: You can't have less than a majority of them making a decision for the planning commission, so they couldn't take that kind of an action so that that was the idea to to strike superfluous 14 that is not needed.

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Joe Levan: But that you so that you know that it's not to empower a subcommittee. To do that, take action. It's that's the opposite.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay.

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Christy Carr: Thank you. And then, Jennifer, I just had one other minor clarifying question about minor variances. On page 220 of the packet

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Christy Carr: And in Section six OB to it refers to existing lots. And I'm wondering if that also refers to existing single family residences.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay.

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Jennifer Sutton: This is this recommended change to

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Jennifer Sutton: Be to adding the fourth example that a minor variance. The idea was to make clear that the city would consider a zoning variance related to building a single family home on an existing lot to be a minor variance. And this is kind of this is a change that is codifying the current practice.

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Jennifer Sutton: That zoning variances related to single family use our minor in it. It's a single lot because it's nothing to relate it to subdivision or boundary line adjustments, it would just be used for instance, it's usually use to reduce setbacks for very small lots or maybe lots that are

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Jennifer Sutton: Impacted by critical areas. Sometimes it's used for a lot coverage to exceed the law coverage limit.

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Jennifer Sutton: So yes, this change would formalize what's kind of currently a department practice.

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Jennifer Sutton: And just for the Council's what the differences with a minor variance compared to a major variance. It's basically the process and the fee a minor variance is a administrative land use decision.

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Jennifer Sutton: There is public noticing comment period, review the decision is by the director and major variance is a quasi judicial decision where the decision is by the hearing examiner. So just like it's a larger process. It's a larger fee.

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Leslie Schneider: Alright. Councilmember No, sir.

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Rasham Nassar: I moved to forward ordinance number 2020 dash zero

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Rasham Nassar: As part of the consent entity capital MY 28th 2020 Council meeting.

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Leslie Schneider: Me to give counsel never been to that one, because we got a router all

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, any further.

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Discussion.

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Leslie Schneider: All those in favor please say

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Leslie Schneider: Yes.

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Jennifer Sutton: Sorry, let me just interrupt myself.

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Leslie Schneider: Here. Councilmember hey topless you're on mute. But did you have a concern.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: If you've already voted, it's fine. I'm voting. Right. They do have a question.

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Leslie Schneider: Um,

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: It won't affect my vote. So we're in the middle voting.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, so let's just clarify. Are there any objections.

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Leslie Schneider: All right, that passes unanimously, and thank you, thank you, Jennifer.

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER I topless.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Yeah, I was just scrambling to try to figure out what how important it is this pain.

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Jennifer Sutton: As far as

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: certifying the public of this change about accessory agricultural tourism does not include open

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Just because we happen to get some public comment today on the chemical at us about people asking questions about their temporary rentals that are related to their cultural uses. I'm just what is their issue here is this something that

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Jennifer Sutton: This chain.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: notifying people about

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I'm sorry.

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Jennifer Sutton: And I'm sorry that I, are you, are you asking a question about the minor the

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Jennifer Sutton: The related to the non agricultural events in the minor agriculture.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I'm a, I'm only looking, I'm looking, I'm not looking at where the definitional sex and not finding where impact of the change to the addition that says accessory air cultural tourism does not include

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Overhaul for guests, such as a bread and breakfast or farms day type us and I'm just

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Picking

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Up comment earlier today from I think beverage lodging or I'M NOT SURE, I REMEMBER WHERE HE WOULD THIS but somebody was asking about

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02:24:30.240 --> 02:24:38.850

Kirsten Hytopoulos: This issue with regard to any of us. I'm just wondering whether that that is a use what's happening that somebody will need to be alerted to that's all because your housekeeping without might be

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Affecting

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Morgan Smith: Clarify this question.

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Morgan Smith: From members district. Remember, we don't see every comment that you get. And so if you saw that in public comment today. Jennifer may not have the background. Right.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Yeah, right. And

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: So I'm just saying that I'm now becoming aware, two times in one day of this concept of incidence of people use if people having short term rentals that are somehow related to their agricultural uses and I

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Specifically, saying that that is the law that is not which we never said it was but clarifying that overnight stays are not an accessory or do not count as accessories.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: So I am thinking about another amount of mobile or creating a problem, but it just seemed like I just wondered whether there are distances, a housekeeping change whether that's going to affect

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02:25:31.110 --> 02:25:31.650

Jennifer Sutton: Mm hmm.

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02:25:31.800 --> 02:25:32.340

Jennifer Sutton: Anybody

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Doing that for business.

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So this is

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Jennifer Sutton: Um, this is a. So this is a clarification that we wanted to add

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Jennifer Sutton: Because

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Jennifer Sutton: Of the farmstay concept that has evolved over the last several years, most notably down at heyday farm.

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Jennifer Sutton: And the city does have provisions for Bed and Breakfast is as a minor home occupation up to two rooms and then larger than two rooms is a major home occupation and then separately. The city has provisions for ends or hotels kind of for larger establishments and so

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Jennifer Sutton: We just wanted to add

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Jennifer Sutton: This clear for clarification in case a farm in the future was considering adding accommodation

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Jennifer Sutton: That was not an accessory dwelling unit and not a minor home occupation bed and breakfast. So, so if a property had agriculture but and someone lived there and had a single family residence, you know, they could have an accessory dwelling unit.

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Jennifer Sutton: Correct. AND, OR, or perhaps they run a small Bed and Breakfast out of their home.

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Jennifer Sutton: Those, those things can all happen on the same property, but we wanted to kind of clarify what was three single family use and what was accessory to agriculture and what might need larger permits because I made your home occupation, for instance, is a conditional use permit.

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Jennifer Sutton: It so so but but

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: We're going to talk about now, and potentially in the future in a few moments. And then the future about how we want to read

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Jennifer Sutton: Them.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: term rentals. So, okay, but

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Jennifer Sutton: If you're asking if this the conversation related to short term rentals is related to staff coming up with this.

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Jennifer Sutton: Code change, it has not been this code change was like it's kind of been on our list as a kind of a hole in our code or something that needed to be further explained for quite some time.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Okay, just so just to state to make sure I understand it. So what this is saying.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: A short term rental isn't going to be able to come be regulated through this. That's the clarification.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Regulation, it's gonna it's gonna it's gonna fall under the regulation or other

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Short term obligations that we do.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: So there's no exception because it's related to form.

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Jennifer Sutton: Correct, correct. I would also say that there's nothing about this change that.

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Jennifer Sutton: Makes having a small Bed and Breakfast more difficult for a foreign property that also has a home.

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Leslie Schneider: Thanks. Alright.

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you. I want to make a proposal here that we go ahead and and go from 930 but then you take a five minute break. Before we jump into nine H and the accessory dwelling units.

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Leslie Schneider: Just thinking that that policy discussion, you know, might mean it's scheduled for 20 minutes. So are we, do we want to take a five minute break, or do we want to just push through

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Leslie Schneider: Five minute break. Alright, so at 905 get an extra minute or two, there will return at 905

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you Jennifer, we'll see you back shortly.

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Leslie Schneider: Oh, I'm sorry. So

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Leslie Schneider: I just said one thing and did another. So let's go through. Let's go through nine G. Did we get every did I lose people here.

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Jennifer Sutton: I didn't

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Leslie Schneider: All confusion. I'm so sorry. Um,

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Leslie Schneider: Let's just take our break now because that's what I said and I set a time and then we'll come back and we'll address nine G when we get back

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Leslie Schneider: I apologize.

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Morgan Smith: Jennifer

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Jennifer Sutton: It's morning. Yes.

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Morgan Smith: Yeah, make a suggestion.

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Jennifer Sutton: I know you're

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Morgan Smith: Going through a lot of pages, but our audio is picking all that up. So can you try and balance muting while you're shuffling through pages and then unmuted. When you're ready to talk because we're having a hard time hearing you.

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Morgan Smith: Okay, yes, I guess what I'm saying we're having a hard time hearing other people. While you're turning pages.

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Okay.

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Jennifer Sutton: Great. I'll ketamine.

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Jennifer Sutton: Thanks.

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Jennifer Sutton: I'll also try to figure out my video.

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Morgan Smith: I think it's fine if you have to stay on off video it's it's it's okay.

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Leslie Schneider: Amazing how much you can get done in five minutes. When you're really motivated

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Joe Deets: didn't quite finish my popsicle. So hey,

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Joe Deets: Folks can bear with that.

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Joe Deets: Appreciate the break mare.

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Leslie Schneider: glad to oblige, Chris. I'm the one that needed it. Right.

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Joe Deets: We're about 20 minutes behind schedule. I guess we'll see maybe that'd be right.

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Leslie Schneider: Yeah. Okay, so we have

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Leslie Schneider: Waiting for to

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Leslie Schneider: You one

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Leslie Schneider: Just waiting for COUNCILMEMBER Medina.

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Leslie Schneider: We're still at 905 we haven't hit 906 yet not according to my

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Leslie Schneider: Computer clock.

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Leslie Schneider: Order here and

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Leslie Schneider: I'm sure that COUNCILMEMBER Medina will be with us momentarily.

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Leslie Schneider: We're back on nine G which is the resolution number 2000 2004 amending the city's fee scheduled to add a temporary construction staging permit fee and deposit fee for third party review of environmental reports and Jennifer. I think we're back to you.

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Jennifer Sutton: Yes. Thank you, Mayor again. It's Jennifer Sutton senior planner resolution 20 2004 immense the city's fee schedule to add the two items mentioned by the mayor. The first new fee for is a \$720 fee.

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Jennifer Sutton: For the new temporary construction staging permit, which we just discussed in the previous ordinance establishing this new use

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Jennifer Sutton: The \$720 fee is modeled after a similar fee for temporary construction parking

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Jennifer Sutton: And I should note that the department has a fee study that is going on at this time. And so in a few months. The city council will get updated and perhaps this fee will be updated again in the near future, but for right now.

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Jennifer Sutton: We're moving forward with \$720 for the temporary construction staging permit the second new fee is actually a deposit of 30 \$500 for third party review of environmental reports or documents.

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Jennifer Sutton: Such as habitat management plans or wetland mitigation reports these type of technical reports that may be required for certain types of work would be submitted.

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Jennifer Sutton: By an applicant if the work is on or near critical areas or within the shoreline area and we want to make sure that the report submitted by applicants are sufficient

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Jennifer Sutton: And meet the requirements of our code. And therefore, we would like to have them reviewed by a qualified professional and so this this deposit

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Jennifer Sutton: Is basically a retainer and the city would is is working to

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Jennifer Sutton: Have a environmental firm on retainer to review these reports when necessary, and we would send them out and

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Jennifer Sutton: If a if the entirety of the 30 \$500 is not necessary to do the review, then the applicant will get a refund. I'm in the few in instances where it may not be enough or may where there might be some back and forth the city might have to ask for an additional deposit

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Jennifer Sutton: But I'd be happy to answer any questions that the Council has about these two new features.

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you very much. Jennifer COUNCILMEMBER nisar

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Rasham Nassar: Yeah. Thanks, Jennifer. So I have a question about the environmental report 30 \$500 retainer. Oh, I'm understanding correctly that that's a new item right we we have historically not requested.

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Rasham Nassar: Additional permit fees, even though I understand it's retainer for submissions of wetland critical areas reports mitigation plans specific

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Jennifer Sutton: Correct. We've been we've been requiring reports like these for a long time and

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Jennifer Sutton: Sometimes, the city has qualified qualified personnel on staff that are able to review reports, because they have the right kind of background or certifications.

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Jennifer Sutton: But right now we don't have anyone on staff that has those kind of qualifications to be able to fully review these type of reports.

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Jennifer Sutton: So we want to have the ability to send them out when necessary. This is kind of modeled on our geotechnical third party review that was established several years ago where the city sends out the geotechnical report required for projects. If it's necessary to third party review.

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Rasham Nassar: Okay, so I also understand that we have, excuse me, in the past, engage the environmental Technical Advisory Committee.

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Rasham Nassar: To be that third party review for habitat management plans. So my question is, why are we deviating from that and putting the cost burden onto the property owner in lieu of just charging our advisory body.

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Rasham Nassar: Of qualified citizens to

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Rasham Nassar: Conduct that review on the city's behalf.

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Jennifer Sutton: Jenna, probably, I might. I might have to get back to you.

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Jennifer Sutton: On that

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Morgan Smith: Jennifer it's Morgan. I'm going to try and answer that.

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Morgan Smith: So we have had a past practice of having the environmental technical advisory committee look at

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Morgan Smith: Studies that needed a second look but the reality is that the voices that are appointed to that committee.

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Morgan Smith: Are volunteers and are not necessarily trained and skilled with the expertise that we would want to assure folks their review is happening in a professional and experienced way. And so one thing that

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Morgan Smith: I think matters is that these are studies that are happening with greater frequency that they did in the past when the tech was set up as the resource for this.

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Morgan Smith: wasn't an occurrence that was happening as frequently as it does now. So it's not the case that every study needs a third party review, but when it is needed to make sure that the city.

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Morgan Smith: Can feel confident that the information is reliable and complete that. I think it's important that we do. So the point of this fee is simply to make sure that we have a deposit up front.

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Morgan Smith: To protect the city against having the cost you come back to the city. If

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Morgan Smith: There is at the end of the third party review the applicant is not inclined to give us the money that's owed for the third party review.

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Morgan Smith: The alternative to this is not a change in our process. The alternative to what's in this resolution is that we not

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Morgan Smith: Require a deposit and the result of that would be that we would there would be a greater risk that the city would have to supply funds in cases where the applicant did not come forward and pay the cost of the of the study at the end.

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Rasham Nassar: Okay that's helpful. Um, I might disagree with that slightly, but I understand. I am a little bit more about where this is coming from now.

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Rasham Nassar: I'm under what circumstances would the director determine a third party review is necessary for what Lynn critical areas report or wetland mitigation plan.

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Morgan Smith: Jennifer. Do you feel like you can answer that, or will we need to follow up later.

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Jennifer Sutton: Well, I would say that the code and these sections of the code in the in the SNP and the critical areas ordinance.

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Jennifer Sutton: Outline minimum requirements for these type of plans and

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Jennifer Sutton: If there's a question about whether or not the what is submitted by the applicant is meeting those minimum requirements, then I think the director will want to get that second opinion.

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Rasham Nassar: Okay, so it's just it's just it's a script discretionary decision left up to the director

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Jennifer Sutton: Mm hmm. But if we don't, if we don't need that third party review, then the deposit would get returned

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Rasham Nassar: Right, I guess I'm just coming at this from an angle of the cost burden to the property owner

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Rasham Nassar: And

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Morgan Smith: Nick. Sorry. Another thing to point out is, and I don't want to speak with authority. I want to get the department to follow up, but my understanding is, this is not something while it's happening more frequently than it used to. This is not something that's happening.

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Morgan Smith: You know, hundreds of times a year.

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Rasham Nassar: So,

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Morgan Smith: Third party review is in cases of significant complexity or

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Morgan Smith: Either in terms of the project or the site.

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Rasham Nassar: Okay, and

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Leslie Schneider: Then I asked media clarifying question too.

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Leslie Schneider: And maybe I'm reading into what COUNCILMEMBER nisar is looking for. Is there a chance that a homeowner or the person who is applying to this permit is going to be surprised by by this fee. I mean, in other words, is there some warning being given or, or, you know, I'm saying

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Morgan Smith: Jennifer

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Jennifer Sutton: I would say if it's a project that requires a pre application conference, then they would be this would be brought up at that time. If it is a project that

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Jennifer Sutton: Is only coming forward through the building permit. Let's say for a single family home. It might be a surprise at intake.

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Rasham Nassar: Can I follow up.

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Rasham Nassar: With. Okay, so, um,

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Rasham Nassar: I guess just to provide some framework for my concern, you know, one of the general concerns we hear is related to the the permit application process and just the expensive it primarily the single family property owners.

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Rasham Nassar: I know you know that these reports are not inexpensive, in and of themselves to have to provide and submit. So I'm just concerned about the additional expense layered on top of that, and especially when we compare that to our discussions on housing affordability and such.

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Rasham Nassar: So that's just to help kind of frame.

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Rasham Nassar: Why I'm probing this slightly I'm

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Rasham Nassar: Wanting to bring

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Rasham Nassar: Just one. One quick follow up there. We at one point, I think it was during the 2018 budget discussions, the Council voted to include

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Rasham Nassar: An FT for natural resources specialist someone to put on staff that could provide in house these services to sort of supplement the cost of the property owners so that that those services will be just provided by the city in house.

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Rasham Nassar: But that wasn't the direction that the city ended up taking so I understand that we're lacking that knowledge or expertise or the capacity in house right now. But if this is the consequence of lacking that at the city than I would

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Rasham Nassar: I would it be in favor of not approving this at this point and then read having counseled we discussed during our budget discussions this year hiring that f t in house to provide that sort of expertise and support.

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Morgan Smith: At the end, yeah. We have another a couple of council members or other hand raised. And I want to step aside let you have your discussion, but I hope we can untangle

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Morgan Smith: These related concepts that are now have being discussed at one time. Third party review is a mechanism that exists.

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Morgan Smith: What is proposing this resolution is introducing a mandatory deposit to cover those expenses that consequence of not approving this part of the resolution or this resolution as written.

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Morgan Smith: Is that that deposit would not be required, it is, it would not change the city's approach to when third party review is is sought

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Morgan Smith: And so if we would like to revisit the most appropriate and cost effective way to solve for the times when third party review is needed.

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Morgan Smith: We can have that discussion separately and I'm happy to do that and be prepared for that. But the decision point in front of counsel tonight is whether to introduce a mandatory deposit to cover that in the instances where third party review is needed.

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you. Councilmember car.

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Christy Carr: Thank you.

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Christy Carr: Jennifer. Could you clarify a couple things. One is what the deposit and potential subsequent expenditure of the deposit be in addition to any land use fee that is required for

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Christy Carr: Any types of projects that require this report and then could you also clarify that third party review currently exists for these types of reports, where is it only for geotechnical reports.

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Jennifer Sutton: It would be in addition to any existing land use permit fee or building permit fee that would otherwise be required for the permit and I would need to get back to you about whether or not the

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Jennifer Sutton: Is already exists in the code for a third party review.

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Jennifer Sutton: For these type of environmental reviews, I believe it does, but I would want to double check on that.

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Leslie Schneider: Alright.

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER car. Did you have a follow up. Are you good

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Leslie Schneider: Okay. Councilmember hi topless.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I just want to clarify. So third party does not mean a third party, other than the city and the applicants. The city could perform this function or the city could not perform this function.

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Morgan Smith: The city could perform this function we currently choose to have an on call service, which is a cost effective way to do that because we have while we have an increased need for it because of the changes in our code in the critical areas and SNP, we don't have

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Leslie Schneider: We lost you city manager.

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Leslie Schneider: I'm

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Leslie Schneider: Not sure when when she's coming back. So all I'm going to say is that I support.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: This and I and it sounds and it makes sense to me. I also support what COUNCILMEMBER nisar talking about about they know it's a hot potato, but talking again about a natural resource specialist for a lot of reasons in the future, but I do support this right now.

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Right.

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Leslie Schneider: Oh, sorry.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And I'd be happy to make a motion. If I listen also going to talk

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Leslie Schneider: So, go, go for it. If you want to put emotion on the floor.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Loss. I can

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Leslie Schneider: Paint just. So just to clarify, this doesn't preclude us having a policy discussion about

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Leslie Schneider: About the fees. This is not about the fees. This is just about requiring a permit up for a deposit up front. Right.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Someone else has it available. Go ahead. I just don't hold open those, and I should hold up the the the agenda bills.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Um, I moved to Ford resolution or 2020 dash for for approval with the consent agenda on

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Leslie Schneider: Maybe COUNCILMEMBER deep Scott that are Deputy Mayor deeds got that one.

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Leslie Schneider: All right. Um, is there any further discussion.

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Leslie Schneider: All those in favor please say

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Kol Medina: Aye.

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Leslie Schneider: Any opposed.

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Leslie Schneider: Oh, we have two names, is that right. Councilmember car and COUNCILMEMBER nisar

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, so I think that was five to two

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Leslie Schneider: All right. Um, we are now moving on to item nine, the ordinance number 2020 dash oh two related to accessory dwelling units at us and Jennifer, I'm assuming we're coming back to you.

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Jennifer Sutton: Yes, thank you, ordinance.

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Jennifer Sutton: Modifies the US specific standards or regulations for accessory dwelling units that are codified in the IMC 18 09030 I five

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Jennifer Sutton: The most substantial change made through this ordinance is to require that single that the single family home and accessory dwelling unit remain owned by the same persons or legal entity for new accessory dwelling units.

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Jennifer Sutton: Permitted after the effective date of this ordinance we're calling this the common ownership requirement that's being added to the code the ordinance also adds shops in barns.

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Morgan Smith: As types of

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Jennifer Sutton: Detached buildings that are appropriate to construct an accessory dwelling unit above or in conjunction with and it adds a regulation to prohibit us from being used as short term rentals in the future if they do not have a current business license to do so.

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Jennifer Sutton: So this ordinance.

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Jennifer Sutton: Brings the Council full circle on this issue, because you began this policy discussion on common ownership for at us in the fall of 2018

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Jennifer Sutton: And added this code change to the development moratorium work program, the Council continued to discuss edu regulations, and other types of small homes throughout the fall, the summer and fall of 2019 in addition to the policy direction requiring common ownership, the Council had suggested

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Jennifer Sutton: Had given the policy direction to the planning commission to consider removing lock coverage as a barrier to constructing at us.

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Jennifer Sutton: On lot smaller than an acre and to add provisions for tiny homes to the city's zoning code the planning commission discuss these ideas over five meetings this past winter, the Commission removed references to the tiny homes from their recommendation to counsel and removed the law coverage.

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Jennifer Sutton: The law coverage idea that the Council had put forward.

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Jennifer Sutton: In addition to requiring common ownership, the Planning Commission recommended the ad use can't be used a short term rentals going forward and clarified the at us can be

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Jennifer Sutton: Built in conjunction with barns and shops and not just detached garages.

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Jennifer Sutton: So this is what ends up being an ordinance 20 2002 and there's been a lot of discussion. A lot of public comment about these topics.

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Jennifer Sutton: A kind of fuller history of the work that the Council and the planning commission have done is in the staff memo, and I'd be happy to answer any questions to support your discussion.

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Leslie Schneider: Great, thank you very much. Alright, we've got a number of hands up. Councilmember nisar

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Rasham Nassar: I feel like I've gone. First, a lot tonight so um I'll keep my hand up and then I'm happy to have you circle back to me they're

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Leslie Schneider: All right, thank you. Councilmember high topless.

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Leslie Schneider: on mute.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I support the changes that have been suggested by the by the thank mission. I had a couple questions which I probably shouldn't even ask. I'm sorry, but I wanted to ask Jennifer

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: About this. Actually, I think all existing language. So that's why I apologize for asking.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: But just for clarification that this these the exception for the size of the EU when it's inside

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: A structure in order to allow efficient use of all the floor area could that so this is this is

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: What I think it's five g. Let's see. You know what I'm talking about.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: It's a new G. I.

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Jennifer Sutton: I do. It was fun. Now it's G.

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Jennifer Sutton: At the bottom of page two of the

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Jennifer Sutton: Ordinance.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: So cannot bring us like a 1500 2000 square foot.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: In, you know, a do second. In other words, secondary unit with it within a single family residence is that just open ended. It could be as big as somebody approves because they efficiently uses the space.

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Jennifer Sutton: Mm hmm. And in theory, yes. If someone, let's say they had an unfinished basement and

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Jennifer Sutton: It exists it existed in 2015 when that ordinance was adopted in this provision added and they were remodeling the basement to

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Jennifer Sutton: Put in an ad you until that 2015 ordinance, we would have had the applicant seal off or wall off part of that 1500 square feet, so that it can be accessed by the balance or. And so this change.

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Jennifer Sutton: Is to not make people do that to fit within under the maximum 900 square foot threshold and it's meant to be for existing space from 2015 not new space going forward. Okay. And, um, gosh, I think I only can think of one example where it's been used

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Okay. And then my other question is just with the old age. And now I is this saying that an ad you can have its own garage shop or barn.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Or am I miss reading it.

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Jennifer Sutton: What what this is trying to say it's adding shopping barn to this list of types of buildings that at us may be constructed in conjunction with like usually above you know you can think of a detached garage that perhaps as an ad or above, and

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Jennifer Sutton: Or I suppose it could be

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Jennifer Sutton: Country constructed next to or Jason to a detached building. And so what this is clarifying it's adding shops in barns to this list.

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Jennifer Sutton: To say that the space of that other use the garage or the shop of the barn won't count towards the 900 square foot limit that the 900 square foot limit is really just the dwelling unit space itself.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I'm actually looking at the next one. The new I because it says an ad you not attached to a single family dwelling may not contain any accessory use other than a garage shop or barn.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: So are you saying that that needs to be read in conjunction with

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Age that that references the pre I'm just trying to understand. You can't have

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: A BUILDING AT YOU. THAT'S 900 square feet or less. And now on this.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Single Family property and now also have a garage shop or barn associated with it, that wasn't there before.

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Jennifer Sutton: Correct. They do, they do work together and

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Jennifer Sutton: As, as I said right now these two provisions are specific to garages only. So right now, if someone had a shop. They couldn't add an edu above it, or next to it.

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Jennifer Sutton: And what this means is that

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Jennifer Sutton: The types of detached buildings are limited to right now it's limited to just garages and with this change, it would be limited to just these three types of building

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Okay.

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Jennifer Sutton: So right now, if someone

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Jennifer Sutton: If someone had, let's say, right now, if someone had a really nice greenhouse, for instance, they couldn't attach an ad you to the side of the greenhouse

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Jennifer Sutton: Under our current code.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Okay, just to be clear to putting he and I together. It's one thing to say. You can build a garage and build an ad on top, but you can't build this sounds like you could

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Have a house with a garage. And then you could build an ad and a garage for the view and that garage wouldn't count towards the 900 square feet of the ad you so that's my question that specific scenario.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: You know, whether it's correct.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: So you can do that. You could have a you have a house that has a garage. You can build this hashtag to you and then you can build a garage or other. One of the other outbuildings associate with the at you and that will not count towards the you

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Jennifer Sutton: Correct. Correct. Assuming there's not a clear internal connection on the same level.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Okay.

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Jennifer Sutton: That's awesome. So

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: To me for

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Mm hmm. That that you didn't think that was probably what was anticipated, at least when I looked at this when I was encountered before we get it now.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: That we're anticipating that as opposed to putting an ad you on top of an accessory building. So that's fine. I just wanted clarification about that. But like I said, I'm good with the changes that the Planning Commission made

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Jennifer Sutton: Yeah, this was a change suggested by the planning commission. Yeah.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I'm not, I'm not concerned with the garage shop or barn. My concern is that you're going to have an accessory building with an accessory building so that that looks like that already existed in the code and I'm just getting clarification. So that's fine. Thanks.

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER car.

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Christy Carr: Thank you.

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Christy Carr: Um, I want to acknowledge all of the Council's work on this topic today and that I'm coming to the party late here, but I don't support this ordinance and as it is now. I won't support it and I'll just tell you a few reasons why.

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Christy Carr: common ownership is was not a recommendation of the affordable housing Task Force and they didn't actually even talk about it.

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Christy Carr: And I think that they did talk a lot about other topics related to at us and that that could be a better use of our time. If we're really talking about this issue as an affordable housing issue.

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Christy Carr: I think that at you sold separately. Have the potential to achieve affordable housing Task Force recommendation and comprehensive plan goals to develop a variety of housing choices, one of which is smaller homes smaller sizes.

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Christy Carr: I think that 82 sold separately can provide a price point not otherwise available.

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Christy Carr: In home ownership.

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Christy Carr: My understanding is that the roost at us. So for at the time between 525 and 535 which was 30% below the median sale price. And I think that's significant in terms of affordability on this island.

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Christy Carr: And I just think that at us being sold separately. Shouldn't be prohibited because they aren't as affordable as they they could or we think they should be.

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Christy Carr: I think that the city council and the planning commission and a new subcommittee is continuing to discuss affordable housing and that carving out this a new topic is an urgent or necessary and then it should be considered along with the suite of affordable housing tools under consideration.

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Christy Carr: I think that

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Christy Carr: The last point I guess I'll make is that I don't think allowing at us to continue to be allowed without common ownership.

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Christy Carr: Will double our density. I think that's a myth. And I don't think it's proven, I think, just like ego northwest pointed out that in our far discussions that we won't see 100% of the allowed or permitted development.

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Christy Carr: We won't see 100% of the potential at us. I don't think there's going to be 6000 at us and our conservation areas, there's only been 200 plus on the island in the last 30 years so

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Christy Carr: I just don't see that I feel like common ownership is a solution. Looking for a problem. And I think that carving it out with

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Christy Carr: Without comprehensively looking at other affordable housing issues and everything around our development isn't good planning and and i don't think it's good governance and so I'm not going to support it.

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Leslie Schneider: All right. Thank you.

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Leslie Schneider: Hopefully we're meeting it

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Kol Medina: Thanks, I won't support this is written, either.

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Kol Medina: For different reasons.

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Kol Medina: I don't know where on along the line of this that it got described as an affordable housing initiative because that's not what it is. That's certainly not what it was for me.

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Kol Medina: Although some of that was worked into it. There was one provision in here that really was about affordable housing and that one provision is something that planning commission didn't include which is part of why I want support this.

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Kol Medina: Yes, it's the for me, the purpose behind this is this accounts from Ricardo was talking about this allowing a to us and every zone in the city does effectively allow for doubling of density across, across the island.

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Kol Medina: Will that actually happen. Well, no, of course it won't

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Kol Medina: But that's not a whole lot different from saying if we just up zone every property in the conservation district and said, You know what, let's just make it, you can build

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Kol Medina: A second house. You can you can subdivide every two and a half acre property now and build two houses on instead of one. Not everyone would do that.

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Kol Medina: Some people selling properties you couldn't do that because of environmental reasons which are the same reasons why some people will never build an ad you but it doesn't mean we should do it. The fact that we allow you to use in every

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Kol Medina: On every property across the island means that more will be built and for. So for me the common ownership issue is a climate change issue.

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Kol Medina: It's an issue about the future of our society and carbon emissions and it is just a way of allowing more farflung density across the island.

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Kol Medina: When if we really want to do something about climate change, long term and the resiliency of our community. We need to stop that.

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Kol Medina: We need to do everything we can to stop letting there be car based density across the island. We need to put that density into cities. So that's what the common ownership is about at least for me, it's not obviously it's not about affordable housing.

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Kol Medina: So there's that.

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Kol Medina: The one party in there that was about affordable housing was the provision that would our direction to the planning commission

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Kol Medina: To remove the lot covered standard as a barrier for constructing a to use for properties, less than 40,000 square feet and residential zones.

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Kol Medina: That that actually was for affordable housing that was to allow more at us to be built where more density should be built in areas with smaller lots

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Kol Medina: I'm really kind of surprised that the planning commission didn't put that in there.

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Kol Medina: What I'm about to say might sound rude. I don't mean it that way. I just really mean it as a question, but what is the role of the planning commission

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Kol Medina: The Council gave them clear direction that we wanted an ordinance with that put in there and they just chose just not to do that. So that's the question I have about process. And I don't mean that as an attack. I really mean that as a question about process.

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Kol Medina: But more of the point for me that that was what was in there about affordable housing and I took that out. So I don't support take not including that

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Kol Medina: And I don't support. I don't think I mean I'd love to hear more debate about this, but I don't think I support the prohibition on new at us being used a short term rentals.

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Kol Medina: Again, I'd love to hear more conversation about that.

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Kol Medina: I don't understand the reasoning for that. I don't see any reason in the packet. So I don't know what the thinking was behind that.

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Kol Medina: The complaints. We've heard about short term rentals in the past, while on council or complaints about short term rentals, where the property owners not there.

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Kol Medina: It's just a property. It's a house that rent is rented out the people and the property owners out there to control what happens. So people show up and they just treat the neighborhood disrespectfully

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Kol Medina: I think that's less likely to happen in an ad you situation because typically the owners there. And one of the houses while the other houses, the EU is being rented.

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Kol Medina: But I'd love to hear more discussion on that. So I'm sorry I was probably a little over my three minutes. Mayor, but those are my thoughts.

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Leslie Schneider: All right. Thank you.

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Leslie Schneider: So we're just going down the line here and

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Leslie Schneider: Council member. Hi.

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Leslie Schneider: I'm sorry, Deputy Mayor de

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Joe Deets: I was gonna say Craftsman council member and us are actually had her hand up before me, but that's okay. I'll

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Joe Deets: Take a stab at this. I'm not great discussion. Actually I and I'll just say I really wrestled with this and I so I really appreciate hearing the perspective from my colleagues, this is a very fruitful conversation.

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Joe Deets: A couple things. One, yeah. Does this actually improve our affordable housing. I mean, that is the policy direction that we would want to go with this. So does it or does it not, and it seems like there's enough questions to that puts that in doubt.

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Joe Deets: Second, you know, with the, the change in the

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Joe Deets: You know, in due to coven I just sort of have an open question of, have we seen any change in the rental demand on the island.

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Joe Deets: Due to code. I am expect anyone have that answer here, but I think we need to start thinking when when all these discussions happened like last year, or two years ago.

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Joe Deets: A lot of that's pretty outdated with way the dynamics are happening now and I don't know what the answer is, is to any changes to the rental market, but I'd be I'd like to know that before making

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Joe Deets: You know, trying to make an informed voting decision, it does seem that we have an option for moving forward.

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Joe Deets: The sushi come up with the our new upcoming Council Planning Commission subcommittees I what it's called. So I'd like to, I like to have that conversation with them and see taken account. What's going on in the market today.

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Joe Deets: Does this really improve affordable housing.

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Joe Deets: And I'll leave it at that. Thanks.

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Leslie Schneider: Alright, thank you. Councilmember I topless.

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Rasham Nassar: Can I

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Leslie Schneider: Am sorry

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Rasham Nassar: I'm gonna take a turn. Since counselor had topless has spoken already if that's okay.

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Leslie Schneider: Oh, you know what, I totally apologize I and then I'm going to jump into before I get back to her. Thank you.

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Rasham Nassar: There you go. Okay, so, um, I also don't support this um i i agree in part with COUNCILMEMBER car. I also share COUNCILMEMBER Medina's kind of concerns or frustrations around the lot coverage flexibility.

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Rasham Nassar: I remember that being clear direction from the Council and I specifically and clearly remember what we were thinking

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Rasham Nassar: Related to what counselor Medina said working to effectively create density within our more dense areas and so encouraging at you development in those areas. I think is consistent with that policy.

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Rasham Nassar: So I'm maybe I'm not understanding the planning Commission's direction there, but I'd be interested to hear kind of more on their thoughts. But right now, I wouldn't support this for the for that aspect.

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Rasham Nassar: I'm I also want to talk about the

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Rasham Nassar: I don't support this for the EDU the short term at us cannot be used to short term rentals moving forward.

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Rasham Nassar: I don't recall having a in depth and focus discussion on that since I've been on the Council, I know that it's something that's come up, but I don't recall having a public hearing or having it as a business meeting agenda item where we've

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Rasham Nassar: Been on the receiving end of public comment. I feel like that's a very big decision that has the potential to impact.

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Rasham Nassar: The island and our island residents in a really big way. And I think it would be negligent of us to consider approving this tonight, without making a really serious effort to reach out

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Rasham Nassar: To our lodging community and such. If that's the direction that we're going. I personally don't want to go there, I consider this

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Rasham Nassar: An aspect of government overreach in terms of regulating land use. I don't think it's the government's business to tell property owners what they can and cannot do with their at us, or their houses for that matter.

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Rasham Nassar: And I also am looking at guiding principle number four which is to consider the costs and benefits to island residents and property owners and making land use decisions.

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Rasham Nassar: If we think about the reason why property owners seek to short term rental there at us. It's two subs. It's to subsidize their cost of living so that they can remain in place.

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Rasham Nassar: And when we talk about affordable housing, one of the elements of affordability for the island that we often neglect to include in our discussions is affordability for existing

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Rasham Nassar: Island residents to exclude an opportunity for existing island residents to afford the cost of living on this island in the future is not anything I am inclined to support

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Rasham Nassar: And we've also as a council. Well, personally, I'll speak for myself. It has been raised through the Winslow hotel debate and I think it was an item that was included in an email to the Council either today or yesterday.

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Rasham Nassar: That we are likely or possibly moving in a direction to eliminate large scale hotels from occurring in certain areas of the island.

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Rasham Nassar: That what I've heard from the community is that the Winslow hotels with the community would like that to be the last large scale hotel.

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Rasham Nassar: Developed on the island in favor of this more mom and pop approach, which is more consistent with our island character.

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Rasham Nassar: And and so if we're if we are going to move in that direction. And we have to also consider the fact that we will still need to allow for adequate accommodations for our island visitors.

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Rasham Nassar: Which is a very important aspect of our local economy. Now we talk about economy.

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Rasham Nassar: Which is struggling right now. So the last point, I'm going to make is I don't think it's, I don't think it's good, a good policy or good practice for us to pass any meaningful or some substantive policy changes.

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Rasham Nassar: In the middle of a crisis unless we have really sat with it and done our due diligence and considered in way to all of the impacts.

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Rasham Nassar: Including the equity lens that we heard a comment or mentioned tonight which is not a consideration that's been applied to these potential changes.

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Rasham Nassar: So I would prefer us to I've heard, I think that the planning commission has formed an additional land use committee related to affordable housing, someone can just nod their head.

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Jennifer Sutton: Yes, that's true. They the planning commission to form a their own subcommittee about affordable housing.

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Rasham Nassar: So me I don't know when the last time they looked at this was, was it pre coated
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Jennifer Sutton: It was they finished work on it. March 12

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Rasham Nassar: So I think it would be good. I think it would be good for us. And what I would support is sending this back to the planning commission with the expectation that that subcommittee would look at this

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Rasham Nassar: Consider the changes in our world and come back with recommendations, also with some thought and consideration to the comments that council members with me tonight. That's all, thank you.

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Leslie Schneider: All right. Thank you very much. Councilmember in a star. You made my job. Very easy. I can I just say ditto

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Leslie Schneider: So I actually, I honestly mean that I think I

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Leslie Schneider: I think, for all the reasons you stated and all the points that you stated on

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Leslie Schneider: I concur. So I will, I will not be supporting this

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Leslie Schneider: For sake of time, I mean, I could dive into it, but I don't think I need to. I think it's been

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Leslie Schneider: Been pretty clearly stated by others. So I can move on to COUNCILMEMBER hi topless.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Sorry I pulled up the affordable housing Task Force report because I knew that they'd referenced the fact that we've set short term rentals are a factor and removing rentals from

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: From the islands inventory, as they are in any community. Yes. They also mentioned the fact that we have. It's a complicated analysis because we have to measure and the affordable housing impact of

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: The fact that sometimes these are use so that people can stay on their property. These are also used

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: My. The reason I ABSOLUTELY. AND I KNOW WE WON'T VOTE. I hope we don't vote for tonight if this is how we're split because we can do some more work on this, but a couple things to consider.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: First of all, the idea of common ownership. The idea that if we don't require common ownership that this isn't that this kind of kind of minimization of of at us isn't going to continue to be used.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: By developers as a way to just get more units more market rate units. And what that means is more density and not in return for any value to our community.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: What we get in return is just more traffic more impacts on the land, etc.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And when people use the short term rentals, what we get is even more people coming into neighborhoods in and out. Yes, generating dollars for the owner of that property but but but

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: But, you know, but what he says occupying that property that might have been otherwise rented out at a lower price because of the small footprint before

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: The Planning Commission absolutely talks about is very dedicated to affordable housing.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And they made the point, and I guess I before I go on, I'll try to sync since I'm obviously the minority. But I think it's important stuff. It's been tough again the planning commission spend a lot of time on it.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I'm just kind of going back to this density question which I think Cole, at least as an agreement on, you know, it's kind of like we talked about bonus FDR. I think almost all of us on here and similar similar

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Concepts of increasing density, we agree this needs to be a cost benefit analysis, we agree that we need to have, we need to weigh the impact on the community of getting more

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: increasing density, especially in the outlying areas that are not in Winslow

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: What are we, what are we getting in return for that. And I think we've all, I think we're all agreeing that we if we got real affordable housing that might that might counterbalance that but I haven't heard a lot of other interest in increasing density, especially in the

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Rural areas of the island. And that's what this is, this is, in fact, putting two households on a property where the one

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: All across the island. And so it's pretty serious that we understand whether or not what we are in fact doing is just putting more money developers pockets and increasing

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Drives you know car trips across the island and all the other impacts or they're really going to get affordable housing.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I don't think that we have been seeing with the use of condominium ization that we've been seeing affordable housing.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And as long as we have a very special place to live with land that is limited and availability, they're going to be people who want to move over here who work at Amazon or work or Microsoft or whatever.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: We're more than happy to pay a hefty market price to live in a quaint smaller footprint house. And in fact, in this day and age, a lot of us want to live in smaller footprint houses. It's the responsible thing to do. It's a choice. It's not a concession.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: So just going back to what the, what the, what the planning commission said if you look at their the comments that came out of their subcommittee.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: They pointed out that they believed that the purpose for encouraging the construction of ad us was to provide more affordable housing. Housing for aging in place and housing for relatives and family members and that is the reason that they felt that it was appropriate to be limiting

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Or sorry, and then that was the purpose for limiting

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: To single family home services, same ownership of the properties that would be back to accomplish double that. That's that accommodates your own family.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Aging in place and still allows people to rent out at affordable price potentially to

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Two other island residents. So I just hope people will think I would absolutely support and the addition of the lot coverage exception.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: So that we could see more ideas being built, especially in in Winslow, but I think we're making a big mistake if we think that that keeping the option of condominium ization and allowing short term rentals and fettered is going to in any way. Bring us more affordable housing.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay. Councilmember Medina.

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Kol Medina: I hope

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Kol Medina: Because we're, we're here to help us on mind if I had a question I have, maybe just a quick back and forth.

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Kol Medina: So you're I think you're saying that um you support getting rid of condominium ization you support a requirement for common ownership. Yeah, okay, you're not alone.

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Kol Medina: I wonder if a majority of council would support and an ordinance that requires common ownership.

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Kol Medina: And puts the 40,000 square or even just that what a majority of Councils support an ordinance that just requires common ownership put aside the other issues.

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Kol Medina: I think I'm hearing that a majority would. It would be interesting to just take that up and strip the other issues away for now. And I wonder if the majority of council would support an ordinance that require common ownership and have the 40,000 foot

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Kol Medina: Provision in there that allowed for more at us and denser areas. I'm guessing a majority would if that were the ordinance in front of us. So that could be a path forward if majority Council supports those things and we can we come back to the other issues.

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Leslie Schneider: So I'm just to try to do a quick straw poll on that. I think what I heard is that

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Leslie Schneider: Against the condominium ization the common ownership clause.

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Leslie Schneider: Is COUNCILMEMBER nisar COUNCILMEMBER car and myself would be against it and we haven't heard from COUNCILMEMBER Pollock and COUNCILMEMBER deets. I can't remember. I'm sorry, what what your position was on the common ownership piece.

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Leslie Schneider: So I'm but I shouldn't be speaking for everybody. That's just what I heard. So let me go back to COUNCILMEMBER car.

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Christy Carr: Yeah, thank you.

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Christy Carr: Right, I don't support common ownership. I wouldn't support an ordinance for that. And then if I could please just ask the city attorney. Maybe if he could answer a question.

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Christy Carr: Just the RC W requires cities over 20,000 square feet to

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Christy Carr: Allow development of at us and single families owns

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Joe Levan: In over 20,000 population.

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Joe Levan: Yeah, between 1000 square feet.

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Joe Levan: Yeah, to allow at us.

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Christy Carr: Right as part of the like 1993 or four housing policy act, aren't we required to at least encourage if not require at us and single families zones.

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Christy Carr: And you can get back to me on that. I think it's our CW 4363 K

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Christy Carr: So that's just a question, I kind of want to set the baseline for the discussion when we're talking when we're talking about it.

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Christy Carr: And then I just kind of want to throw out there in terms of ownership versus rental I totally agree with what we want to get a handle on in terms of climate and sustainable.

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Christy Carr: Growth as a city is is channeling and encouraging growth in a compact way where we want it to be and not be dispersed.

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Christy Carr: But I think that the difference between ownership and rental wherever it is, is going to generate the same amount of traffic, I think, and I can be wrong.

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Christy Carr: So I just, I still don't understand that that point in terms of ownership, what's the

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Christy Carr: Limit or or

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Christy Carr: Make it so that we don't have those impacts.

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Christy Carr: That we don't want to have. And I agree. We don't want to have that dispersed or related to it in our conservation areas.

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Christy Carr: I just don't see how ownership versus rental really makes a difference there.

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Christy Carr: And that was our thanks

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Leslie Schneider: Thanks.

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Joe Deets: Yeah, thank you.

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Joe Deets: Well, I'm I feel like we haven't flush this out enough but this has been a great conversation I I'm avidly listening to my colleagues.

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Joe Deets: My basic fall back on policy is, is to have flexibility embedded in it so that depending on the circumstances of the homeowner, as long as it's not a direction that we've simply don't want to see. I'd like to give the property owner, the flexibility of making these decisions so

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Joe Deets: As far as the common, common ownership question, I kind of like prickly, I'd like to leave that as an open question for myself. I'm not convinced that it needs to be common ownership.

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Joe Deets: So I think my suggestion would be, again, to have the that working group. Take a look at the Council Planning Commission working group. Take a look at this.

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Joe Deets: And and again look at it in light of our current environment to, you know, what has changed.

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Joe Deets: So, and again if what is the goal of getting affordable housing and as far as the climate issue. You know, we are doing a lot of things on that we do have a climate action plan. We do have a green building task force that's

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Joe Deets: Going to be unfolding some very meaningful work. So I I'm a total climate activists, but I don't want to get too tied up that we can't build in certain parts of the island.

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Joe Deets: When we have an affordable housing crisis. So, so I just want to kind of not get ourselves to constrained on certain issues there, but allow us to have some flex the homeowner and have flexibility as long as it's not really causing harm to to the environment or to the community.

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you. I'm

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Leslie Schneider: Just before I move on, I just want to say that for sake of time I'm not expressing all my opinions and whatnot. But I'm happy to talk to a couple of you in more depth. So I'm not trying to be circumspect about my opinions I just

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Leslie Schneider: am looking at time here. So,

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER had topless.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Yeah, to, to answer your question, Christy about, you know what, why do I think or what anybody thinks that the common ownership would affect those those negative

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Impacts of at us and they don't. The point is that no matter what, if you're going to have a to us and I think we do needed us for certain purposes.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: If you're going to have a US, you're going to have these negative impacts of more density in the outlying areas more hardships, etc.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: So again, the calculus should be, what do we get as a community back what community values are we accomplishing

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And so if what we're trying to accomplish is the ability to age in place we're trying to accomplish ability to house family members that need housing.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Or the ability to have longer term rentals not Airbnb. But longer term rentals of small footprints then having common or ship is going to make that lot more possible and likely

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: If you make it a profit. If it's a profit motive that whatever property is developed

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: It can be that it can be, if you can sell off an ad on your property if when you're a developer, you can approach a project with the assumption that you have that many more units because of the ordinance.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Then, then, in a sense. I mean, I feel I mean that's why I feel kind of passionate about it. I feel like it's the actual it's the opposite. It's like we're being taken advantage of.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And we're giving this away and return for profit and for more market rate housing. So I just want to be clear on that, that, that to me.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: My argument for commoner ship is that it will prohibit that sort of profit seeking use of aid us and we still preserve the ability to use them for what we want them to be used for

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Leslie Schneider: Okay and COUNCILMEMBER Medina.

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Kol Medina: So customer topless. That's exactly what I was going to address as well. So just to put it a little differently. And really, I'm just trying to answer your question. Councilmember car just like because when I talk with was, you weren't part of our discussions, when we discussed this before.

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Kol Medina: In my preferred universe we wouldn't allow at us at all and the conservation districts me they kind of minimize their otherwise at all for environmental reasons we wouldn't allow them period.

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Kol Medina: But using the analysis, the cancer and a topless put forward are there are times when the benefits to the society at way the future and current environmental costs of allowing it to us and

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Kol Medina: Yes, we've heard from lots of people on the island that they won't be able to stay on the island. If they're not able to rent their at you or building a to you and move into it and read their house.

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Kol Medina: And this is especially true for older folks on the island. So all my my preferred universes. We have no at us, because that accomplishes the environmental goals, the best

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Kol Medina: A compromise that achieved some societal benefits is allowing it

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Kol Medina: In common ownership. Whereas if you just let people kind of minimize it and sell it off you. There is no societal benefit to that. So I'm just repeating what counselor I topless said just kind of using my own words.

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Kol Medina: And frankly, in my preferred universe we would down zone. The conservation areas.

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Kol Medina: We would require larger lot sizes and really get rid of the destiny, we have out here. I say out here because I live out here in the in conservation area.

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Kol Medina: But obviously that's not going to happen either, but a step in the right direction is getting rid of condominium ization and I don't understand why we wouldn't take that step.

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Kol Medina: The argument of, well, I don't want to take that step because it doesn't get us all the way there doesn't make sense to me. It gets us somewhere there. And so I think that's a good thing.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, so, um, I think what what might happen here for next steps. I mean, what a recommended motion could be to forward this to unfinished business. And we could talk about it again.

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Leslie Schneider: Another suggestion, that's been brought up is to ask for the the joint subcommittee of council and Planning Commission to take a look at this and

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Leslie Schneider: I feel comfortable with that latter option specifically because there is a difference of opinion.

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Leslie Schneider: Shown tonight from council, so it's it's like those issues will get hashed out. Ideally, you know, in that environment.

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Leslie Schneider: So, is there anybody who would prefer that this not be forwarded to the the joint subcommittee.

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Leslie Schneider: Because I'm going to Sir

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Rasham Nassar: Yes. A quick a quick clarifying question um I what I thought I heard was that that the planning commission

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Rasham Nassar: Affordable housing subcommittee was separate from the Joint Council Planning Commission land use committee.

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Rasham Nassar: Art. Is that true, so there's two separate. So are there your council member representation on the affordable housing Planning Commission subcommittee are those, those are just planning commissioners. Okay, I just want to be clear about where this would land.

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Leslie Schneider: So maybe I misspoke, or did we want to forward this to the joint subcommittee, or I mean I guess I'm I think I'm not ready to just send it to the planning commission to be dealt with, with the affordable housing.

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Leslie Schneider: Subcommittee, because I'm not sure that they have enough input from Council yet because we ourselves are kind of all over the map.

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Leslie Schneider: So I'm going to go back to is it appropriate for us to send it to the subcommittee.

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Leslie Schneider: Or do we want to have more discussion on this ourselves and council member I topless.

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Leslie Schneider: Your money.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I don't know. I don't know why we would send this this subcommittee. It feels like honestly we're becoming a little bit of a dumping ground for all this stuff. This is our issue the planning commission

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Really did think about affordable housing that was very important to them. They've process this and they've given us their recommendation as to how to accomplish what they thought we wanted accomplished.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: So I think this is our problem as a body to decide. Are we going to support or not comment on our ship.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Do we, are we concerned about, which is a separate question have casting a separate regulation about your short term rentals. Do we want to add back in that originally

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Proposed by Council lock coverage exception. I think that's it. There, there might be something else. But I think that's it. There's the big issues, anyway.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And and that's us. That's on all of us. And I don't think setting that bad. I don't think I don't think we should involve the planning commission at all. And this until we have decided what we want to do. They gave us something to work with.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: It, you know, these are difficult choices, but these are our policy or our policy choices.

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Leslie Schneider: Would you like to make a motion to forward this to unfinished business.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Yeah, I would like to make that motion. I'd like to move this to unfinished business. I think that the Community probably wants to weigh in as well. And that will give us more time to talk about it.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Again,

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Leslie Schneider: Okay. We have a second.

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER nisar

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Leslie Schneider: And any further discussion.

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Leslie Schneider: All right. All those in favor please say aye.

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Aye.

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Leslie Schneider: And any opposed.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay that passes unanimously.

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Rasham Nassar: Um, can I just

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Rasham Nassar: Comment um no city manager wants to say something. But I want to pick on the, the, the short term rental aspect of this and just suggest that maybe we take that up separately or independently of the other edu.

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Rasham Nassar: Code change alterations, just because I feel like it's, it really is separate from and

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Rasham Nassar: Potentially more important to a larger segment of our community than the other items that were discussing

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Rasham Nassar: I don't know if that happens on the 28th, or we accomplished on the 28th, but I want to put it out there among I'm also concerned that the two weeks is not enough. Notice to get word out that we might if we are to take action on that specific item that that's adequate or ample enough

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Leslie Schneider: Well, I do sort of feel that we might want to take these up.

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Leslie Schneider: These issues up one at a time, because it seems like we are all over the map on them. So maybe we can discuss that with the city manager.

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Leslie Schneider: And

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Leslie Schneider: Go ahead and chime in. Now,

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Morgan Smith: That was going to be the comment I would make is that assuming as the 28th. If you don't want another 28 at whatever time you do want to schedule this staff can

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Morgan Smith: frame the conversation for that night around the three issues that have just been discussed and you can address those decision points and ideally come to consensus.

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Morgan Smith: And then, rather than expecting that there'd be an ordinance drafted and ready to approve that night.

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Morgan Smith: We could then take your direction and make whatever changes to an ordinance and the ordinance would come back at a later time. But I think what what we don't want to do is try and pencil out language if what we really need to do is revisit

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Morgan Smith: At least three fundamental policy choices and then the draft the draft ordinance should follow that work. So my suggestion would be that the next time you look at it on the 28th, or the date of your choosing.

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Morgan Smith: That you delve into those policy choices and try to come to closure. If you can on one or more, and then we can decide when we're ready to draft an ordinance.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay. And maybe I could just comment also from my perspective and feel free to state something differently. I'm speaking to my colleagues, but I think that these items are really

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Leslie Schneider: More or less unrelated to each other. So it sort of feels like we could take them up one at a time and make a decision and it wouldn't necessarily be dependent on one of these other issues, and that might not be true, but I'm just putting it out there.

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER I topless.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: At two things. One, I think this will affect my second statement. I think that the provision that was proposed to to have a do not use a short term rentals, etc.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I think they intended it to be more placeholder language pending to kind of preserve that ability, pending the creation of a standalone

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Ordinance or policy on short term rentals, I believe. They also recommended the mission that we work on an

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: An independent separate policy. So just food for thought that that there are question may be

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Do we want to put something in here that that sets that is the rule right now while we figure out short term rentals or not, but that this isn't the be all end all, with regard to short term rental regulation.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Maybe that's obvious. The second point, which relates to i'm saying is, here I am speculating that trying to remember what they said or did

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I think we were supposed to start having one of them designated to be available to us here is formally sent forward by the planning commission and we're in that kind of situation again where it would be nice.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: So I would like to ask that we asked the planning commission to have somebody available.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: At when we talk about this again to give their perspective and feedback because they did spend a number of meetings, talking about this and digesting it

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And so in order to have the benefit of that work that's done and have the continuity, we said we wanted. Why do we make sure we start inviting a planning, Commissioner, have them designate who they want to speak on behalf of the issue.

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Leslie Schneider: Um, that sounds good. I'm also wondering, since we already know that that the meeting on the 28th is a big, big meeting and

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Leslie Schneider: You know, we as a group are all over on these issues. I'm wondering if maybe on the 28th, we can just sort of take up a couple of them and try to make some decisions on that and then

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Leslie Schneider: Maybe at that time, we could choose to push some of these other conversations, particularly the the EDU. I'm sorry, the

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Leslie Schneider: short term rentals to a study session where we also could invite you know a planning, Commissioner, or, you know, one or more to our study session so

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Leslie Schneider: Anyway, I think we don't have to discuss that. Now we've already made the decision to bring this up at the at the 28th, but I'm just concerned that we already have a long meeting on the 28th. So

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Leslie Schneider: Maybe we can make decisions at that time, how far we get

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Leslie Schneider: City Manager.

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Morgan Smith: And not to interrupt our movement towards closure, but we did make a change in terms of a briefing for the 28th. So we have a little more time than it felt like

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Morgan Smith: Is one point I'd like to make. And I would recommend that we at least present all three of these policy topics.

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Morgan Smith: And because that's an opportunity for public comment as opposed to a study session.

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Morgan Smith: And if you're not able to come to closure on all three. That's great. But at least maybe we can make some forward progress or maybe even conclude

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Morgan Smith: We're ready to move forward with an ordinance on these two, but the third one needs additional work. So rather than parsing out and leaving some aside, I think I would recommend that staff work and I want to

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Morgan Smith: Voice this now because we won't meet again until the 28th that what I'd like to recommend is that staff.

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Morgan Smith: Prepare to support your discussion on all three of those policy issues will work off of the ordinance as drafted, but know that what we're really looking for is your direction on these questions where there's a diversity of opinion.

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Leslie Schneider: That sounds good to me.

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Leslie Schneider: I'm COUNCILMEMBER hi topless.

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Leslie Schneider: Did you know. Okay. All right.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I'm sorry, hold on. Sorry, I was muted.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Cole isn't going to be here on the 28th. And we have we have a very full agenda. Is there some way that we could

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Have an item on the 28th to excuse me to invite and encourage public comment because we need public comment. But to actually have our subset of consideration of these of these issues. The following week. That's him. That's a study session.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Because we've already

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Morgan Smith: I think if what

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Morgan Smith: In my opinion, in my experience,

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Morgan Smith: You'll be more successful. Get that we can ask for public comment on the 28th, but most people look at the agenda and that often drives it more than are just sort of banging the drum. Hey, please give us public comment.

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Morgan Smith: If you'd like to wait and wait till the 11th and have the topic. Come on the 11th at that big business meeting.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Let's do that. This is a big topic.

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Leslie Schneider: So do we need to

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Leslie Schneider: Revise what we just said because we did take a vote. No, we're good. If

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Joe Levan: You didn't specify the day you just said unfinished business.

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Leslie Schneider: Yeah. Okay. All right. I appreciate that clarification. Thank you all. Okay, we are moving on to item nine i which is resolution number 2020 dash 14 authorizing use of electronic signatures in city business city manager is that you Oh, Robbie

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Robbie Sepler: Be mere

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Robbie Sepler: Just very briefly. This is a quick resolution here. It's in response to a new state law that came into effect in June, which clarifies the ability at the city to use electronic signatures and its operation.

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Robbie Sepler: In order to take advantage of the new law and it's clarification. So you need to adopt a policy governing its use of electronic signatures.

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Robbie Sepler: This resolutions approved that would direct the city manager to draft a policy and updated as needed and would also authorize the mayor and Deputy Mayor

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Robbie Sepler: To use an electronic signature platform identified by the city manager and the city's IT department to sign documents electronically as needed.

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Robbie Sepler: And I'm happy to take some more questions if you have any

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Leslie Schneider: All right. Thank you very much. Councilmember nisar

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Rasham Nassar: moved forward. Resolution number 2020 14 for approval with the July 28 2020 consent agenda.

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Leslie Schneider: Every

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Leslie Schneider: Second from Deputy Mayor

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Leslie Schneider: All right.

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Leslie Schneider: For the discussion, any discussion.

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Leslie Schneider: All right, I'm all those in favor please say

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Leslie Schneider: All right. Um, any

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Kol Medina: Any opposed.

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Leslie Schneider: That passes unanimously. Thank you. Robbie sorry to have you here so late.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, we are moving on now to item nine J agreement with the kids at public health district for network improvements security consultation and training.

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Morgan Smith: I'll take this one to introduce for the Council. This is an inner local agreement that the city would like to enter into WITH THE PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT.

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Morgan Smith: And it's to provide us with some skilled resources to help with our work to increase network capacity and our network security.

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Morgan Smith: Now that we have pivoted to having most of our have some of our city hall function staff working remotely for the foreseeable future.

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Morgan Smith: The connection with the health district is an interesting one. It's

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Morgan Smith: Is based on the fact that are relatively new IT manager worked there for several decades and came to us and they'll past year and has knowledge of the resources there.

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Morgan Smith: And it's a great example of public agencies, being able to share resources at a relatively low cost. You may notice that we they're biting the service to us for less than \$15,000

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Morgan Smith: And because it's related to our movement to remote IT services, we expect it would be a cares eligible costs so

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Leslie Schneider: All right. Thank you.

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER nisar

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Rasham Nassar: I moved to for the agreement with the kids that public health district for network improvement security consultation and training for approval with the July 28 2020 consent agenda and to direct staff to include this increase in the future budget amendment ordinance.

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER car. Second to that I'm noting that

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Leslie Schneider: Council member policy Pollock is no longer

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Leslie Schneider: On the call. So if that okay, I'm sorry.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Oh, nothing.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, so we have a motion and a second. We have six council members present. All those in favor please say aye.

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Leslie Schneider: Aye.

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Leslie Schneider: Any opposed.

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Leslie Schneider: All right. Thank you.

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Leslie Schneider: And thanks for the, the, the, the efficiencies on that down. That sounds, that sounds really interesting

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Leslie Schneider: Alright, we are now moving on to counsel discussion and I am 10 a is potential process for time limits for speaking at Council meetings and COUNCILMEMBER hi topless. Are you able to kind of lead us off on this.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Yeah, I haven't prepared anything. I was just throwing out as I think you all know at the last meeting that just as one possible way to get some control or meetings.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Do we want to consider setting some sort of a time limit for ourselves. We could still have multiple rounds, but kind of just to keep our comments smaller shorter

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I throughout three minutes. I think I'm open to all sorts of ideas, but I just wanted to raise the issue. It's something we could we could try three minutes and don't know how we would measure it, but

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: If we all, if the majority of us thought it was a mistake. We could always go you could abandon it. We could try timing ourselves for a while and get a sense of how long

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: You know, comments, really need to be and how long they shouldn't be and then set a time but I just wanted to raise the issue. Just because we've had some pretty long comments recently and

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: In addition to what we have a lot of reasons we have long meetings and we don't get me wrong, but this is just one and I think it makes it hard for all of us. If any of us that go on too long and makes it harder for us to have, you know, an exchange.

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Leslie Schneider: Of yes I'm supportive of that and I had a chat with the city manager about logistically how that might work. And interestingly, I

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Leslie Schneider: The, the League of Women Voters just recently had a

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Leslie Schneider: Candidates forum and they were doing it via zoom and they had all the candidates, you know, either one minute or two minutes for their answers to questions and then they had one of these little segments with a little countdown timer. And I said, Oh, what's that anyway um

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Leslie Schneider: The city manager assures me that that's not a problem, we could come up with something like that. And we could have some experiments. So, and she's comfortable with having

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Leslie Schneider: I'm going to presume the city clerk but but staff to sort of manage that. So we would need to decide that every single time somebody spoke that there would be like a resetting of the clock, because we do have this

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Leslie Schneider: You know, informal back and forth, which I don't want to consider changing. I think that that's important. And so, Deputy Mayor, do you have your hand up.

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Joe Deets: Yeah, sure. I'll way. And because it's funny at becoming Deputy Mayor. I even wrote up a little things I wanted to change for meetings and and

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Joe Deets: suggesting a pilot. Let's just say we're all in the pilots. These days, and doing a pilot of

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Joe Deets: Limiting converse just individual discussions to three minutes because as we've noted and I just did it tonight. Some of our conversations have gone on quite long.

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Joe Deets: And this is why we're our past do so i i really want to try this. And then this forces us to be more specific with our what we're, what we're talking about. Get to the point vote.

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Joe Deets: Move on. So I'm in favor of this. But again, if it doesn't work out, we'll change it, but I think we need to give this a try, because our meetings are way too long. We just lost a colleague, I don't know where he went. Maybe he passed out or something but

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Joe Deets: So let's try it and see what happens.

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Leslie Schneider: And I guess another sort of decision point is that you know when when the countdown hit zero. That doesn't mean that you know we get our mic turned off or something, you know, but it is feedback for us and

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Leslie Schneider: So, you know, I think it would be a worthy experiment. Councilmember had topless.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Well, I just want to say I'm not sure how much it's going to cut down our meeting time, Joe. If we don't also cut down how many times we each talk

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: But I think it might help with just our communication at very least and help us hopefully stay again more kind of in a rhythm and not. I just think it might help with our

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Interactions on council to not have big blocks of time but i think but but to go into your point.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Mayor. I think we should either do it as a trial or we should make it a rule. And then we probably should turn off mix. So then that's you know i i'd say we try it as a trial, then if you're inclined to just because we're either going to commit to it or not.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Whether making it a policy.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, well, do you. Is there someone who would be willing to bring a specific proposal that we could

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Leslie Schneider: We could debate and vote on or does someone have a

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Leslie Schneider: Or should we just tasks that just ask right now. The city manager may not. Not all of us have have said anything. So we, we haven't heard from other council members. We just heard from

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Leslie Schneider: I guess four of us.

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Leslie Schneider: So COUNCILMEMBER Medina.

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Kol Medina: Yeah, I'm supporting trying something

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Kol Medina: As an experiment. I don't think it can be an experiment where we turn people's mics off. I just don't think that is a

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Kol Medina: Kind of a situation. We want to create where a council members in the middle of speaking. And the mayor just mutes the person. And that's just not tenable. So I wouldn't support that part of it.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, um. Councilmember car, you don't have your hand up, but I just wondered if you wanted to weigh in on this.

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Christy Carr: Sure. You guys are getting tired of my mom long comments.

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Christy Carr: Yeah, I'm supportive of trying something, I too would like to do our business a little more efficient Lee. I don't know if this is it, but

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Christy Carr: If we haven't come up with anything else might as well give it a try. I also wouldn't support turning off a council members, Mike. I don't want to go that far. But hopefully it as a trial.

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Christy Carr: We can all just start to realize that we need to be a little more efficient. I think that'll be helpful.

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Leslie Schneider: All right. Well, I think we have heard

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER into sorry did you did you weigh in.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay.

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Leslie Schneider: So city manager. I think that

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Leslie Schneider: We're looking at some suggestions from you for a trial. Is that right,

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Morgan Smith: Yeah. And just a couple of clarifications to try and make the trial, not too painful.

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Morgan Smith: First, let me just make sure that I'm clear on what you'd like staff to time. If somebody were making a presentation or providing a briefing, you wouldn't necessarily want the clock to start

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Morgan Smith: And be counting that, but when Council is having a discussion or making comments are asking questions.

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Morgan Smith: The clock, so to speak, the timer should be used for all of those who we are trying for something like that.

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Morgan Smith: And then my suggestion is rather than a countdown that would then hit zero and whether you talked for three minutes and five seconds or 13 minutes. It's just going to show zero I'd suggest that we do a timer up

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Morgan Smith: And then I think it'll just be situational awareness for the speaker or the speakers colleagues to sort of know where that timer is

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Morgan Smith: Okay.

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Leslie Schneider: I like that suggestion. Councilmember I topless.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I feel like we do need to hear from from you or sham. And we like to hear from Michael to because I know we are. We've got to get buy in or not. Right. I mean, are we are you are you in

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Because we work. We're making a agreement to try this or not. And I think we all need to weigh in.

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Rasham Nassar: And I would support it as an experiment.

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Rasham Nassar: No microphones no control of microphones, I would not support that.

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Rasham Nassar: And I'm, I'm in so long as this is something that we are all going to be held accountable for that we're all going to practices so that it's fair.

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Rasham Nassar: I guess we'll give it a try.

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Leslie Schneider: Great. Appreciate it. Thank you.

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Leslie Schneider: Alright, I think we're ready to move on then that was

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Leslie Schneider: A good discussion and item 10 BS options for a council discussion on conduct and process and cover hi toplless. We're back to you again.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And I'm going to guess I'm the only person that did any homework on it, which I didn't do much of unfortunately I did so, just to reiterate what I

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Hope we were all agreeing, and if not, let's talk about it at the last meeting. We've got some issues between us on the Council with regards to our interpersonal relationships are functioning as a body how we want to look at it.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: That we don't seem to be addressing to successfully on an ad hoc basis during meetings. And so my proposal was that we try to schedule a standalone meeting retreat or something.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: To have a facilitate conversation with somebody with background and mediation in my opinion mediation, not just a team building exercise, but somebody who's sort of has that who could bridge that mediate of approach and facilitation approach.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I had thought of one person on the island and I DID CONTACT HIM TO to see if he was at all interested

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I could look from I can definitely for more people, and I certainly don't want the only. I don't want to impose anything on every day. So I'm I'll do the homework if you want me to

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: But other people, please. You know, if you have other ideas, let me know who I contacted was Doug Nathan. I don't know how many of you know him.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And that was one of the issues is that he said that he knows Leslie and he knows Cole. I know him throws that's something we'd have to dress. I know him because

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Through working as a volunteer in the I'm going to get it wrong, but it's like the inter local governmental conflict resolution group or something over in Seattle.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: He works he's got his own practice and he also needs an islanders been here for like 17 years

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And he also works for King County in their conflict resolution group. So the reason I thought of him is because he works with a lot of governmental agencies.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: So of course he works with conflict resolution within King County between different players in King County, like, you know, supervisors and employees and etc but

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: He also as part of that group. I just mentioned, there's a cadre of mediators that volunteers to mediate and do facilitation, as well as, you know, team building exercise, etc.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: For all sorts of agencies and government entities across the water, mostly, I mean, I think it's dozens

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And so point being, you know, he's got the mediation background and works a lot of people who work in public in the public sector and

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I don't know these worked with a political elected body before he'd be interested in talking about coming up with something with us, but he would want us like any mediator would want to float. First, whether it be a concern.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: That he knows me, I've never socialized with them, but I've known him through multiple mediation things and then I don't know, we'd have to hear from colon, Leslie.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I know what your relationship with him and then whether the people were comfortable with those pre existing relationships. It was just a starting point and just one person. That's what I have to report.

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Leslie Schneider: So I can, I can just quickly share that

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Leslie Schneider: I my

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Leslie Schneider: Den came in. Did I think a couple presentations at Office ex pats many, many years ago, and I would say in the past three or four years.

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Leslie Schneider: You know, I might see him in the community and say hi. But there's been other than that, you know, we've had

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Leslie Schneider: We've had no other contact

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Leslie Schneider: I think, you know, I respect him highly from what I do know of him and from what he presented

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Leslie Schneider: Many, many years ago.

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER media.

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Kol Medina: And mainly, I just want to say that I support the proposal for Council high topless not specifically talking about

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Kol Medina: The specific specific mediator or not, but just the proposal and when it comes to him.

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Kol Medina: We're not like good buddies or anything. A few years ago, we met. I don't even remember why and we had a couple meetings I think over coffee.

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Kol Medina: Talks about stuff. I haven't talked to him in years. I mean, that's the extent of my relationship with them. I've never worked with them. And I think it started, I remember. But I don't know if we need to talk about specific mediators, but I support the proposal.

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Leslie Schneider: Elsewhere in a sorry

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Rasham Nassar: Yeah, I'm when I'm, I'm wondering if there are other services that we might want to consider that might cost less or nothing.

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Rasham Nassar: Um, I don't know if city attorney Liliana still with us are sitting management. If you know if Mrs Mrs C has services like they can, why wouldn't send someone out, would they, we would meet virtually

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Rasham Nassar: To

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Rasham Nassar: Kind of achieve our goal here or I remember at one point in time someone recommended and and representative from drastic Parliament if I'm remembering that correctly and someone to really

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Rasham Nassar: To come to the Council and offer consulting services on process specifically and conduct a council meetings.

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Joe Levan: In terms of MRC unless they've taken this on as a new activity. They didn't use to offer this kind of a service.

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Joe Levan: It related to if you're talking about a mediation. If you're talking about

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Joe Levan: Parliamentary procedure and Macfarlane is the, the Executive Director of the leader of dressing Parliament parliament, she does, she provides consultation services, as far as I know, but that's kind of a different thing than mediation.

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Rasham Nassar: Well, I guess you're from. Sorry. I didn't mean to cut you off. Is there more

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Joe Levan: We could check with Mrs de but I wouldn't be surprised if they provide this kind of a service.

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Joe Levan: Mediation for the Council.

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Rasham Nassar: Well then, I guess I'm trying to understand why we need a mediator and why we wouldn't all just need a crash course on proper parliamentary procedure, a code of conduct that's already inherent in parliamentary procedure and that's been adopted by the Council.

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Rasham Nassar: And process which is not a matter for a mediator, but as a matter for someone who is well well versed in

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Rasham Nassar: Council or other organizational bodies. So what's the point of the mediator. Some help me out here.

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Leslie Schneider: Customer I topless.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Oh, I don't think we just have process problems. I think we have a significant breakdown in personal relationships and trust. And I think that for us to move forward. It's not just a matter of a dial it back to

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Me, quite frankly, I could see this as a two part thing, maybe even the same day. But there's two parts here there's there's getting past where we've been and these last three meetings or so. And as well as a smattering of other experiences we've had together this year.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: That we need to move past and we need to move from, you know, our individual concerns about treatment of ourselves each other, whatever, which started to get aired again.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Last week, and as I said, the time I didn't think it was very productive we need to be able to turn those into some sort of positive requests from each other.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: For be expected set of expectations for how we want to treat each other and be treated and yes then finding procedural you know process.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Ways of doing business process conversation, whether it's parliamentary process or whether it's whatever

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: We can talk about that then to be supportive of ensuring that these that these agreements are going to get carried out, what are we doing

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: What are we doing or not doing to support those, but I don't think

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: We can try it. But I think that if we don't try to tackle the sort of breakdown that we've had recently. I don't think it's going to go anywhere. And I think it's going to keep rearing its head. So if there's a chance of us.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: You know, building some trust and strengthen our relationships. I think that would be a great idea. That is a mediator and that's a mediator, who's going to look. Try to help us figure out what isn't working for each of us. What do we need

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Leslie Schneider: Quickly, I just want to acknowledge that I got a text from

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER Pollock. And he says, signing off after four hours. I have a big work day tomorrow. So we did get communication from him.

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Leslie Schneider: Um council members are

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Rasham Nassar: All I have some more comments, but I'll wait.

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Rasham Nassar: And let counselor Medina speak. Maybe he's going to help frame this as

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Rasham Nassar: A

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER Medina.

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Kol Medina: I don't think I'm going to give you the help you want. I'm just, uh, I'm just trying to say plus one to cancel my talk was his comments.

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Leslie Schneider: All right, Kevin. I'm sorry. Do you want to jump back in, or should I go to customer needs to be here.

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Rasham Nassar: Well, I'll just, I'll just quickly, I might be out out number here and I hear I hear the points being raised by

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Rasham Nassar: COUNCILMEMBER head topless and I think mayor Simon, you say to them as well.

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Rasham Nassar: Um, I guess I'm have a different perspective. And that is that I feel like if we focus on process and we focus on what we already have on the books.

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Rasham Nassar: And just revisiting those that a lot of our problems will be solved. In fact, most disagreements are disagreements over process. And once we clarify process and we focus our energy and attention there.

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Rasham Nassar: Then he's in a personal complex will just naturally resolve themselves. And if they don't, then

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Rasham Nassar: I would encourage us to engage in what our rules specify for in terms of how we are to resolve interpersonal conflicts which is to resolve them on our own time.

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Rasham Nassar: And to pick up the phone and to develop relationships and one on one with our fellow colleagues to avoid the kinds of

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Rasham Nassar: The call out tactics that we've seen in the past that have led to really heated and controversial debates that are being aired on public on using the public's dollar using public time

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Rasham Nassar: And all of that stuff is already in our in the in the doc in the documents and the policies and manuals that we've already adopted. It's in our governance manual

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Rasham Nassar: It's reflected in our ethics program core values. There's a whole chapter and Robert's Rules of Order that speaks to how these things ought to be resolved.

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Rasham Nassar: And it just makes me really uncomfortable that we would resort to hiring someone to help us work out our problems when we are quite capable as function high functioning working adults to resolve these things.

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Rasham Nassar: In other you know in other ways, focusing on process, I think, is where we're really going to make the biggest impact and focusing on process also helps to clarify.

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Rasham Nassar: A lot of concerns around equity and inclusion that that have been raised, and especially raised over the past couple of weeks. So I would much prefer we spend our money and our time on those things to provide that will eventually provide the greatest benefit to the community.

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Rasham Nassar: And figure out another way to get along.

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Leslie Schneider: Alright. Thank you, counsel.

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Leslie Schneider: KPMG Mayor de

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Joe Deets: Thank you.

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Joe Deets: Well, I would much prefer to spend your valuable time talking about

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Joe Deets: coven economic recovery.

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Joe Deets: racial equity, but these these other issues, these inner personal issues are, frankly, getting in the way. They really are. And I think we have to be honest with it. They're getting in the way.

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Joe Deets: And as much as I do not want to spend like a Saturday doing this. I feel we we have no choice. This is not a technical fix this isn't like something. Oh well. Just think of look at the procedure manual. Oh, I didn't see that.

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Joe Deets: It's not a technical fix. I'm sorry. Councilmember NASA. I wish it was, but it is not. It is an interpersonal issue amongst a lot of us and

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Joe Deets: So as much as I don't want to do this. I feel if we the community expects us to do our job well and we just need to bite the bullet be adults and show up for

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Joe Deets: A retreat and hash it out so that it's not like I want to do it. But I think the community expects us to do our job well and we need to get this out of the way. In order to do it.

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you. Councilmember hi topless.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Yeah, to Shams point about, you know, trying to heal these, you know, these things are some of these things, one on one off offline.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: A lot of the problem is, first of all, especially recently, a lot of the issues have occurred on the on the Dyess the virtual dias.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: In the moment in a big way. So they are in a matter of bringing things forward. But as far as. So those are those bringing to me.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Because these are issues that affect when we have brought things forward that needs to be discussed. They affect the function of the entire body. They affect more than two of us, or three of us.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: This is what we have, we have open public meetings and that's the only place that we can do our business, no matter how much it's about interpersonal stuff.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And it is the city's business. And as far as it being on the city's you know the communities dime and their time.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: It's unfortunate that we have to do that. But that's where we have to do it. And if these issues are getting in the way of us doing our job well.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I think we do have to be transparent and and and willing to tackle these the conflicts that we're having

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: It's if we push them aside that we're going to have even more problems or if we just, we certainly can't ignore them when they blow up on in the meeting. So I just wanted to throw that out there. It's just not in a position to really have personal offline.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Remedies for most of these things. Certainly, we should all be talking when I one for with our own issues individually.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Anyway, as far as moving forward and and certainly you know if there's anybody you know

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: sham. If you do not want to participate in it needs to be voluntary. And we do need to all be there. So I guess I would just ask that if a majority of us want to do it that you consider doing it because

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: We all have to be there. We all have to be there voluntarily or there's no point. But if we did it. What I would suggest we do is I would suggest

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I mean I don't personally want to do like an RFP and try to bring in some big corporation for across the water and

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I, I'd love to try to start with Doug because he's locally and or local and then just kind of have him assess our situation and see what he would, he would propose for spending a half a day with us or something like that.

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Leslie Schneider: Um. Councilmember high top list. Do you think that

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Leslie Schneider: Just as a suggestion would would be willing to sort of come into one of our meetings and just do a five minute discussion of what his process might look like, or something like that, just to to give other other council members. The benefit of seeing him hearing him right

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: That's what I would mean, not that we say we're going to hire and then go do that. But exactly that we'd invite him to come and talk to us and tell us how we approach this. I mean, I want. If I were doing that job.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I want to talk to each of us and find out what's going on with us and kind of figure out what kind of process might make sense.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: That's what I would assume he'd want to do. But yeah, I would say if we were open to working with him. We should invite him and ask him.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: To tell us about what he what he does and how he would proceed with trying to work with us. I really have no preconceptions. Other than again, hoping to resolve these

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: These issues.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay. Um, well, if

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Leslie Schneider: So,

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Leslie Schneider: I think maybe city manager, we could talk on Thursday and figure out some next steps council. I'm going to start

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Rasham Nassar: Yeah, if we are going to go this direction and we are looking at this one specific individual, then I would be

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Rasham Nassar: Very interested to learn his qualifications and background, especially for talking about process. I mean, it would seem that some familiarity or knowledge with our council process and our local government is going to be essential to streamline this debate.

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Rasham Nassar: So that would be my minor hopefully he might request.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I would be happy to send out like his website and all that. So we can look at it, start researching him. And I mean, again, if anybody feels like

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I don't like this. It doesn't feel good to me. That's fine. We'll find someone else. It's just they actually people aren't a diamond doesn't who do this. And so they just happen to have some in our community, who's got some specialization, but I will send out. I'll send out his website.

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Leslie Schneider: City Manager.

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Morgan Smith: I was going to wait until COUNCILMEMBER car spoke

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Leslie Schneider: Okay. Councilmember car.

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Christy Carr: Thank you. I just wanted to say that I support this moving forward. I think like COUNCILMEMBER deep said it's not something that I really want to do, but I think we have to do it because I do think that it's getting in the way of our city business and

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Christy Carr: Doesn't feel really good. And I don't think it looks really good. And so I don't, I don't, I can't think of what maybe even the problems are, or what the solutions are, but I think that we all do need to participate in some sort of

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Christy Carr: Process to move us forward. I don't know if the kits at dispute resolution center or if that's still its name.

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Christy Carr: Would have anyone available. I think they might come at a lower cost than a private mediator and then just I happen to know that the city of Seattle has a dispute resolution program and the program manager does live on the island is to put that out there.

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Leslie Schneider: Um,

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER had tablets, you want to respond. Before I go to the city manager.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Wow. Yeah. I also know that person as well. And I'd be happy to reach out if you'd like to hear more people and in dispute resolution center kids at Coney

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Yes, they, they have people who do. So, this wouldn't be their specialty and I'd be happy to talk to them to actually volunteer media there and have been for a long time.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: So happy to talk to them. They do a lot of do facilitation to kind of heal you know groups and so forth. So yeah, you happy to talk to all three and bring that forward.

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Leslie Schneider: Appreciate that. That volunteered effort.

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Leslie Schneider: City Manager.

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Morgan Smith: Yeah, I would just suggest is next step that you might reserve some time to revisit this on the 28th, so that there could be a clear

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Morgan Smith: Shared plan to go forward and then just keep in mind. I know it's easy to have our vision for a more typical Council retreat.

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Morgan Smith: On a Saturday at some different setting. But if it's happening in the near future, it will be a zoom meeting like this and it will be a public meeting. So just keep that in mind as you're visualizing this next conversation so

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Leslie Schneider: Right. Thank you. Okay. I think that means we can move forward. And so we are now on to the consent agenda.

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Leslie Schneider: Would anyone like to

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Joe Levan: Matter what one. One quick note on the Consent Agenda, just so that everyone is aware of this.

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Joe Levan: You'll recall from last time how this how this got forwarded on the resolution dash 15 related to updating the city's governance manual does item 11am

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Joe Levan: That was kind of unusual because it was it was suggested or what was forwarded was this to consent and it was based on changes that were made previously.

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Joe Levan: And adopted by the Council and then incorporated into the governance manual, the deputy city attorney worked on doing that and put those into the

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Joe Levan: Governance manual, but you haven't seen it before this time in the governance manual. So it is just want to make sure that hopefully you all have that carefully. It's not your normal kind of

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Joe Levan: Consent Agenda item, but it was specifically requested by the Council to come to to the consent agenda. So hopefully you all are to that carefully.

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Leslie Schneider: Great, thank you for that heads up.

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Leslie Schneider: Would anyone like to make a motion.

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Leslie Schneider: Deputy Mayor

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Joe Deets: Will see I moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER Medina, second. Any discussion.

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Leslie Schneider: All those in favor please say aye. Aye.

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Leslie Schneider: And

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Leslie Schneider: And

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Leslie Schneider: We are on to committee reports.

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Leslie Schneider: Anybody have any committee reports.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, um, for the good of the order

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Leslie Schneider: I alright. Councilmember car.

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Christy Carr: Thanks. I was just curious. I think all Council got an email from someone in the community. Who's promoting some sort of arts maybe

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Christy Carr: Tour. I can't remember. And I was just wondering, I think her question was if the Council or the city wanted to be encouraging off island visitors. So she's in charge of publicity.

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Christy Carr: And I was wondering, I didn't get back to her because I didn't know the answer. And I'm wondering if the folks on the

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Christy Carr: Economic recovery.

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Christy Carr: Committee had any thoughts on that or if any other council members have gotten back to that particular email.

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Leslie Schneider: So I did get back to her my

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Leslie Schneider: All I said was, it sort of felt like we kind of needed to see whether. We went into phase three, to be able to to do that. But I think it's still a valid question of whether the city would want to encourage that kind of promotion of an event, we're sort of in a weird

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Leslie Schneider: midway point

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER I topless. Are you on this particular issue or did you have something different.

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Leslie Schneider: Did anybody else receive that email and have any thoughts about about that.

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Leslie Schneider: And if not,

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Leslie Schneider: COUNCILMEMBER car. Do you remember

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Leslie Schneider: Was it sort of a dispersed activity that she was recommending and wanted to know whether it would whether she could promote it off island or not with her. I think the basic question was,

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Leslie Schneider: Would the city be

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Leslie Schneider: Opposed to having her promote this to off island.

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Leslie Schneider: Off islanders right and

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Christy Carr: I think that was the question.

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Yeah.

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Leslie Schneider: So we really have a say as she asked, so I just thought

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Christy Carr: I, I tried to get back to people, but I didn't feel like I could answer that as an individual Council person.

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Leslie Schneider: Right.

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Leslie Schneider: City Manager.

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Morgan Smith: Well, it wasn't directed to staff, but I did see that email and perhaps I read between the lines incorrectly, but it was the studio tour, which is a dispersed multi site twice a year event.

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Morgan Smith: We have gotten directly to staff questions from other events like the

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Morgan Smith: Soccer Tournament. That's usually in August and things like that, asking for kind of logistical questions. Where do we stand, what do we need to know

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Morgan Smith: And we do our best to try to answer that, in this case, and maybe again I missed read it, but the way the writer had Bolin underlined. It said, Does the city. Want to actively support.

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Morgan Smith: Having people in I read it as a as almost negative advocacy that she was questioning whether we should allow this event to go forward. The city doesn't have a role in promoting that events. It is something that's put on privately.

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Morgan Smith: And she wasn't asking if she if she was allowed to I, I really understood it as or would you like to take a position against having this kind of activity. But again, it wasn't directed to me. And we didn't respond.

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Leslie Schneider: I think it was more like would you like would you would the city. Want to take a position against having us promoted off island.

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Right.

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Leslie Schneider: And my response was, Well, you know, it seems like that's not a good idea if we're not in Phase three because you get more than five people together and you're sort of fighting things but that gets into the studio tour in general. So

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Leslie Schneider: So I don't know.

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Morgan Smith: If anybody members of that organization or other organizations have have logistical questions.

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Morgan Smith: You know, where do I stand I understand my event, but I understand how my event relates to our current restrictions. We're happy to answer those. So if you get those kinds of questions.

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Morgan Smith: Please feel free to forward them to me and either myself or insatiable Andrew those

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Morgan Smith: But yeah, I didn't take up the response here because it didn't feel necessarily like a Help me understand the logistics question. It sounded more like an advocacy.

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Morgan Smith: Email and I may have misunderstood that. So if there are factual questions we can help answer. We're definitely you know want to try and do that.

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you. Okay, great.

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Leslie Schneider: Um, so, Kelly, did we lose COUNCILMEMBER I topless.

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Joe Deets: And it looks that way.

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Leslie Schneider: She had her hand up.

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Leslie Schneider: Um,

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Joe Deets: You have to go

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Yeah.

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Leslie Schneider: Well, she sometimes has problems and then comes back on. I'm not seeing any

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Leslie Schneider: Not seeing any text. There she is.

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Leslie Schneider: ALL RIGHT. WE'LL GIVE HER A SECOND.

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Kol Medina: Well, I mean, are we done. Do we need to wait.

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Leslie Schneider: She had her hand up for for the good of the order

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Leslie Schneider: Okay, so I just and since she's trying to connect back in. I thought it would be nice just to give her a chance to bring up her for the good of the order

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Leslie Schneider: I topless. Are you with us.

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Leslie Schneider: There she is.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Sorry, my computer just restarted.

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Leslie Schneider: Okay. So I think it's a if you had a for the good of the order and then we're I think we're done.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Yeah, of course. Every time I say something. Awkward, awkward stuff happens.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: I don't know how awkward. This is, I, I just wanted to kind of speak to some comments that were made at the beginning of the medium public comment i i i actually appreciate the fact that we are taking

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Public comment that includes some pretty direct personal attacks. I feel like I think last year's Council, it seemed like that was the rule at some point that

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: It wasn't acceptable to, uh, to make to attack specific council members, I could be wrong, but I did feel like, you know, if we want to avoid.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Ethics complaints and that sort of thing. We want to process things the way we should process conflict, we should we should accept the public comment that we get

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And and i just because we received some public comment that was incredibly harsh against the mayor. I just want to express my support for the mayor. I have no interest in the mayor resigning

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: And I think that she's done a very good job of navigating some difficult meetings recently and I think that she's been

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Kirsten Hytopoulos: Compassionate and kind and intelligent and so I just wanted to provide that support and appreciate her for accepting the public comment that she received earlier today.

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Leslie Schneider: I appreciate that. Thank you can dip. You married

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Joe Deets: Yeah, I'll echo that. I think we uncomfortable with that. And I guess as public officials. This is what we this is part of the job. But I think the community just recognize how hard it is to sit here and listen to that.

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Joe Deets: You know, it's something. It's really not helpful and really think twice. Is that, is that really the avenue. You want to take to try and solve the problems of our community is is that kind of

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Joe Deets: Attack. So now the mayor has my full support and now I felt very uncomfortable with that conversation. But like you said it's public comment. And we just have to sit there and take it.

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Leslie Schneider: All right, well thank you both for those comments.

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Leslie Schneider: I'm developing a thick skin. And I think it is better just to let the public hear it and let the public, take it for what it is.

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Leslie Schneider: Alright, with that.

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Leslie Schneider: Thank you all, and we are adjourned.