



On Monday, June 24, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City of Bellevue Offices, located at 115 E. Pine Street, Bellevue, ID 83313.

**Call to Order:** Mayor Johnson called the Regular Meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

**Roll Call:**

**Present**

Chris Johnson, Mayor  
Christina Giordani, Council President  
Robin Leahy, Council Member  
John Carreiro, Council Member  
Diane Shay, Council Member

**Excused**

Jessica Obenauf, Council Member  
Shaun Mahoney, Council Member

**Staff Present:**

Rick Allington, City Legal Representative  
Greg Beaver, Fire Chief (*Via Zoom*)  
Kirt Gaston, Marshall  
Shelly Shoemaker, City Treasurer  
Kristin Gearhart, Library Director  
Bryson Ellsworth, Water & Wastewater (*Via Zoom*)  
Amy Phelps, Community Development

**Others in Attendance:** Suzanne Wrede (*Via Zoom*), Andrew Guckes (*Idaho Mountain Express*).

1. **Notice of Agenda Compliance:**

The posting of this regular meeting agenda complied with Idaho Code §74-204. The regular meeting agenda was posted within forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting at the Bellevue City Hall, Post Office, and on the city website on *June 18, 2024*.

**Motion:** President Giordani moved the notice agenda was in compliance with Idaho Code §74-204. Council Member Carreiro seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

2. **Call for Conflict as Outline in Idaho Code §74-404:**

Mayor Johnson called for conflict from any Council Member or staff Member with any agenda item. No conflict was noted.

3. **Public Comment: (for Items of Concern Not on the Agenda):**

Mayor Johnson opened the meeting for public comment at 5:37 p.m.

Mayor Johnson took this time to thank the Community Staff for the event on Sunday June 23<sup>rd</sup>. He also acknowledged that the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday is quickly approaching and wanted to remind the public that fireworks are banned on public property and parks in the City of Bellevue.

With no further remarks, Mayor Johnson closed public comment at 5:39 p.m.

4. **Mayor's Address to The Council:**

Mayor Johnson gave a statement addressing events that have transpired in the last year in the City of Bellevue. See the attached statement "Exhibit A."

**5. Treasurer's Bi-Annual Report to The Council:**

Shelly Shoemaker, Treasurer, was informed last week that she was required to create a biannual treasurers report to be published in the newspaper as per the Bellevue Charter. She presented the Council with a minimalistic version at this time because they see a detailed report each month.

Mayor Johnson wanted to inform the council that Rick Allington will be reviewing pros and cons of the possibility to dissolve the Bellevue Charter and become an incorporated City. It could allow the City Council to operate with four members, extend term limits, and potentially help Bellevue in other areas.

**6. CONSENT AGENDA:**

- a. Approval of Common Council Meeting Minutes
  - i. March 25, 2024, and April 8, 2024, Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- b. Approval of Claims: June 11, 2024, through June 24, 2024
- c. Treasurer's Report: As of May 31, 2024, FY2024
- d. Department Head Reports

Mayor Johnson asked if the Council had any questions on the Consent Agenda. Council Member Leahy asked if the City recycling issues had been resolved. Treasurer Shoemaker was waiting for confirmation from the Council to go forward. Discussion was had and the Council and Mayor made the decision to cancel the recycling contract due to contamination charges being incurred.

**Motion:** Council Member Shay moved to approve the consent agenda as amended. Council President Giordani seconded. Council Members voting aye: Members Giordani, Carreiro, Shay, and Leahy. Members voting nay: None. The motion passed unanimously. Council Members Obenauf and Mahoney were not present for the vote.

**7. NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Consideration of Resolution No. 2383, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Bellevue, Blaine County, Idaho, Canvassing the Returns and Declaring the Results of the Special Municipal Revenue Bond Election Held May 21, 2024, for the Purpose of Submitting to the Qualified Electors of the City of Bellevue, Blaine County, Idaho, the Question of the issuance of Water Revenue Bonds of the City in an Amount up to \$7,000,000 and Providing an Effective Date: Chris Johnson, Mayor | **ACTION ITEM**

**Motion:** President Giordani moved to adopt Resolution No. 2383. Member Shay seconded. Council Members voting aye: Members Giordani, Carreiro, Shay, and Leahy. Members voting nay: None. The motion passed unanimously. Council Members Obenauf and Mahoney were not present for the vote.

**8. BUDGET WORKSHOP:**

Consideration of Discussion and Direction Regarding the Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2025, Shelly Shoemaker, City Treasurer | **ACTION ITEM**

Treasurer Shoemaker presented the newest draft of the fiscal year 2025 budget. She made it clear that her job is to facilitate the process, and the Council Members are responsible for creating the budget. Mayor Johnson emphasized that these are the very initial phases of the process and that the budget process looks different this year than it has in the past. He noted there is a lot of work ahead for the Council and treasurer to get the numbers dialed in.



Treasurer Shoemaker and The Council reviewed each line item of the draft budget and made changes where necessary to mitigate costs. Eliminating some administrative cell phones, reducing storage costs, and evaluating service contracts were some of the proposed changes discussed in detail. Further conversation was had about education and enforcement for fence, encroachment, roof, and sign permits; aiming to increase income.

**9. ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further business coming before the Common Council at this time, Council Member Carrerio moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m. President Giordani seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chris Johnson, Mayor

Michelle K. Vest Snarr, City Clerk