

City Council Study Session Meeting of the City Council
May 1, 2024 - 6:00 PM Hybrid Meeting

a. Call to Order

Mayor Julia Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M.

b. Pledge of Allegiance

c. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Julia Johnson, Councilmembers JoEllen Kesti, Paul Cocke, Kevin Loy, Joe Burns, Sarah Diamond, Allan Henderson, and Nick Lavacca.

d. Introduction of Special Guests and Presentation

e. Unfinished Business

1. Request for May 8th City Council Discussion on Updating the City's Authorized Position List

City Administrator Charlie Bush announced via zoom, bringing back the discussion about updating the city's authorized position list on May 8, 2024, at the next City Council meeting.

f. New Business

1. Discuss Cops Hiring Grant Program

Police Chief Dan McIlraith shared with the City Council about the Cops Hiring Grant Program and asked for authorization to apply for this grant with the waiver to help fund additional staff.

Motion to approve the authorization to apply for the Cops Hiring Grant.

Motion made by Councilmember Cocke and seconded by Councilmember Henderson.
Motion carried (7-0).

2. Recommendations from AWC's Hijacked by Hate Speech Webinar

City Administrator Charlie Bush shared the recommendations from AWC hijacked by hate speech webinar.

No action taken.

3. Interlocal Agreement - Skagit County - 1590 Funding to Support North Star Project - First Read

City Administrator Charlie Bush presented the Interlocal Agreement with Skagit County regarding the 1590 funding to support the North Star project.

After discussion, no action was taken.

4. 2025-2026 City Council Goals

City Administrator Charlie Bush, Mayor Julia Johnson and City Council discussed 2025-2026 City Council goals.

5. Authorize the 2024 Skagit County Economic Development Grant Request

City Administrator Charlie Bush presented the 2024 Skagit County Economic Development Grant and requested authorization to apply for the grant.

Motion made by Councilmember Burns and seconded by Councilmember Cocke to approve City Administrator Charlie Bush applying for the grant changing the wording regarding murals and some repainting to allow for painting flexibility. Motion carried (7-0).

g. Public Comments

Please keep comments to three minutes or less. Because State law prohibits the use of city facilities for the purpose of supporting or opposing a campaign or ballot proposition, we respectfully request that public comment not make reference to such matters.

Written comments will be accepted by letter or via email at finance@sedro-woolley.gov Attn: 'Public Comment.'

A public comment period was held.

h. Adjournment

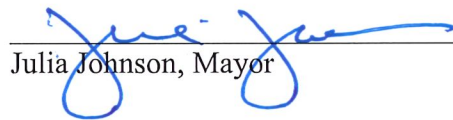
The meeting adjourned at 8:17 P.M.

ATTEST:



Kelly Kohnken, City Clerk

APPROVED:



Julia Johnson, Mayor