



COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATION ATTENDANCE

City of Issaquah Mayor & City Council Present: Mark Mullet, Mayor; Kelly Jiang, Deputy Council President; and Councilmembers Paul Adair, Erika Boyd, Russell Joe, Kevin Nichols, and Lindsey Walsh

Issaquah School District Board of Directors Present: A.J. Taylor, President; and Directors Natalie Anderson, Matt Coyne, Harlan Gallinger and Sydne Mullings

Excused Absence: Tola Marts, Council President

City of Issaquah Staff Present: Wally Bobkiewicz, City Administrator; Andrea Lehner, Deputy City Administrator; Tisha Gieser, City Clerk; Minnie Dhaliwal, Director of Community Planning & Development; Robin Spear, Parks Planning Manager; Alexis Fitzsimmons, Economic Development & Housing Manager; and Amy Dukes, Arts Coordinator

School District Staff Present: Heather Tow-Yick, Superintendent; Martin Turney, Chief of Finance & Operations; and Jason Morse, Executive Director of Operations

Call to Order – 6:06 p.m.

The April 27, 2026 special meeting was held in-person at the Issaquah Senior Center (75 NE Creek Way, Issaquah, WA 98027). Mayor Mark Mullet and Board President A.J. Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

City of Issaquah / ISD Joint Engagement – 6:06 p.m.

- a) **Welcome & Introductions**
Superintendent Tow-Yick facilitated a small group get-to-know-you activity.
- b) **City of Issaquah Development Update / Growth Projections**
Minnie Dhaliwal, Director of Community Planning & Development, provided an update on development activity in Issaquah and growth projections. A question-and-answer period followed.
- c) **Updates on Activities / Issues for ISD Schools Located in Issaquah**
Martin Turney, Chief of Finance & Operations, provided an update on the District’s Capital Facilities Plan including potential future changes to adjust the utilization rates for secondary schools. A question-and-answer period followed.



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d) Update on the New High School

Martin Turney, Chief of Finance & Operations, provided an update on the new high school being constructed in Issaquah. A question-and-answer period followed. School Board members clarified that the new school would not be a comprehensive high school and students from the entire district would have the opportunity to attend.

e) Joint Use Agreement

Jason Morse, Executive Director of Operations, summarized the changes being negotiated between the City and School District as part of updating the current agreement, which was entered into in 2003. There were questions and discussion around the installation of turf at certain elementary schools, use of District tracks and use of the Issaquah High School performing arts center.

f) Closing and Next Steps

Board & Council members were invited to share any additional topics for mutual discussion. The group discussed:

- Potential co-location of affordable or workforce housing with school campuses.
- Opportunities to improve bicycling options to get to Issaquah High School.
- The gravel road along the Issaquah High School.
- The ceremonial re-naming of the road in front of Issaquah High School.
- The new school zone speed camera in front of Issaquah Valley Elementary School.

Members of the public spoke regarding concerns with the amount of screen time in schools and in support of promoting students to commute to school by bicycle.

Adjournment – 8:01 p.m.