

**NORTH BEND SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**November 14, 2023**  
**City Hall, 920 SE Cedar Falls Way, North Bend, WA**

**CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL:**

Mayor McFarland called the Special Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Councilmembers Present:** Elwood, Gothelf, Joselyn, Koellen, Miller and Rosen.

Mayor McFarland announced the promotion of Captain Lynch to position of Chief of the Snoqualmie/North Bend Police Department.

**AB23-131 – Council Vacancy & Appointment**

**Audio: 1:43**

**Council Applicant Interviews**

Mayor McFarland explained the process to be followed for filling the vacant Council position created by the resignation of Councilmember Loudenback. He reported the City received applications from the following individuals: Errol Tremolada, Sheraz Malik, James McEachran, Terry Pottmeyer and Sam White. He noted Christina Rustik and Mary Miller had withdrawn their applications.

Each applicant introduced themselves and responded to questions previously provided to them, as well as additional questions from the City Council.

**Council Appointment**

Following the interviews, the Council recessed into **Executive Session** at 9:16 p.m. for an estimated 30 minutes to consider the qualifications of the applicants for Position No.4, as authorized by RCW 42.30.110(1)(h).

At 9:51 p.m. Mayor McFarland announced to audience members outside the Council Chambers that the Executive Session was expected to last an additional 15 minutes.

At 10:06 p.m. Mayor McFarland announced to audience members outside the Council Chambers that the Executive Session was expected to last an additional 15 minutes.

At 10:20 p.m. Mayor McFarland announced to audience members outside the Council Chambers that the Executive Session was expected to last an additional 10 minutes.

At 10:31 p.m. Mayor McFarland announced to audience members outside the Council Chambers that the Executive Session was expected to last an additional 10 minutes.

Following the Executive Session, Mayor McFarland reconvened the special meeting at 10:41 p.m.

Councilmember Koellen **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Rosen to invite candidates Errol Tremolada and Sam White to second round interviews on November 21, 2023 at 7 p.m. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

**Presentation – Affordable Housing Alternatives**

**Audio: 2:17:35**

City Administrator Miller introduced the presentation. Economic Development Manager Henderson provided a presentation of Affordable Housing Alternatives which included the following options: Rental Subsidy Programs, Housing/Property Rehabilitation and Property Acquisition. He noted of the three options that property acquisition has the greatest ability to ensure long-term affordability with the least administrative burden to the City.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Mayor McFarland recessed the special meeting for an Executive Session at 11:06 p.m. to discuss property acquisition, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(b). Action was anticipated as a result of the Executive Session, which was expected to last 20 minutes and videotaping of the meeting ceased.

At 11:26 p.m. Mayor McFarland announced to audience members outside the Council Chambers that the Executive Session was expected to last an additional 10 minutes.

At 11:36 p.m. Mayor McFarland announced to audience members outside the Council Chambers that the Executive Session was expected to last an additional 10 minutes.

The special meeting reconvened at 11:44 p.m.

Councilmember Elwood **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Gothelf to approve AB23-132, a resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement between the City of North Bend and William M. Glazier for the acquisition of real property and property rights related to construction of affordable housing. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilmember Joselyn **MOVED** to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Gothelf. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 11:50 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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Rob McFarland, Mayor

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Susie Oppedal, City Clerk