

# CITY COUNCIL MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING JANUARY 6, 2015

## **CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

Mayor Bruce Bassett called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 9611 SE 36th Street, Mercer Island, Washington.

Councilmembers Debbie Bertlin, Jane Brahm, Mike Cero, Benson Wong, Deputy Mayor Dan Grausz, and Mayor Bruce Bassett were present.

### **SPECIAL BUSINESS**

# AB 5031 City Council Vacancy - Candidate Speeches

Mayor Bassett welcomed the candidates and thanked them for taking part in the process for filling the vacant position on the City Council (formerly held by Tana Senn). He explained that he would call each candidate forward to address the Council in random order drawn before the start of the meeting.

The following candidates were each given five minutes to address the Council: Matthew Tardif, Wendy Weiker, Ralph Jorgenson, Megan Coppersmith Szerwo, Joel Wachs, Terry Pottmeyer, Bradley Jennison, Darren Gold, Carl Silverberg, Andrew Lamb, and Steve Marshall.

Following candidate speeches, each candidate was called upon to respond to questions from the Council.

Following questions and answers, the Council thanked the candidates for their comments and encouraged those who are not appointed to get involved in the City's Boards and Commissions or run for a Council position in the next election.

Mayor Bassett explained the nomination and voting process that will take place at the January 20 meeting.

# ADJOURNMENT The Special Meeting was adjourned at 7:41 PM Bruce Bassett, Mayor Attest: Karin Roberts, Deputy City Clerk