



City of Longview

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Minutes

City Council

*Mayor Spencer Boudreau
Mayor Pro Tem Kalei LaFave
Council Member Ruth Kendall
Council Member Angie Wean
Council Member MaryAlice Wallis
Council Member Keith Young
Council Member Erik Halvorson*

Thursday, October 10,
2024

6:00 PM

2nd Floor, City Hall

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Boudreau called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. INVOCATION*/FLAG SALUTE

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Boudreau, Mayor Pro Tem LaFave (on-line), Councilmember Kendall, Councilmember Wean, Councilmember Wallis (on-line at 6:35 pm), Councilmember Young, Councilmember Halvorson

Staff Present: Interim City Manager Jim Duscha, Interim City Attorney Charlotte Archer, City Clerk Tiffany Ostreim, Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Chris Collins, Community & Economic

Development Director Nick Little, Parks & Recreation Director Jen Wills, Police Chief Robert Huhta, Human Resources Director Sabrina Fraidenburg, Fire Chief Brad Hannig, Public Information Officer Angela Abel, Information Technology Director Mike Sullivan, Finance Director Consultant Jeff Swanson

4. **WORKSHOP**

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

24-00954 SEPTEMBER 26, 2024 REGULAR MEETING

A motion was made by Councilmember Young, seconded by Councilmember Kendall, to approve the September 26, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

6. **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

*Councilmember Young requested to pull the Professional Services Agreement with the Salvation Army from the Consent Calendar for separate consideration.
Council concurred.*

7. **PRESENTATIONS & AWARDS**

24-00920 PROCLAMATION - DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH - OCTOBER 2024. RECIPIENT: JILL MATHEWS, EMERGENCY SUPPORT SHELTER MANAGER

Mayor Boudreau presented the proclamation to Jill Mathews and Tammy Grimes, who accepted on behalf of the Emergency Support Shelter.

24-00884 SWEARING IN OF FIRE CHIEF BRAD HANNIG

*Mayor Boudreau administered the oath of office to Fire Chief Brad Hannig.
Chief Hannig's wife, Rose, pinned the Chief's badge.*

24-00886 COMMUNITY PERCEPTION SURVEY RESULTS

Public Information Officer Angela Abel presented.

8. **CONSTITUENTS' COMMENTS (Thirty Minutes)**

*Carol Zonich provided public comment.
Flo Paget provided public comment.
Jennifer Leach provided public comment.
Bob Ferranti provided public comment.
Tina Smith provided public comment.
Jane Ditewig provided public comment.
Paula Stepankowsky provided public comment.
Clint Hash provided public comment.
Leann Nolan provided public comment.
Derek Fine provided public comment.
Jason Still provided public comment.
Melissa Mansion provided public comment.
Shannon Gilman provided public comment.
Mike Pederson provided public comment.
Tom Samuels provided public comment.*

9. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

10. **BOARD & COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS**

11. ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS**24-00906 ORDINANCE NO. 3544 – PUD FRANCHISE AGREEMENT****RECOMMENDED ACTION:****MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE PUD FRANCHISE AGREEMENT.**

A motion was made by Councilmember Halvorson, seconded by Councilmember Wean, to authorize the Mayor to sign the PUD Franchise Agreement. The motion carried unanimously.

12. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Boudreau provided a report.

Requested concurrence to designate two annual parades that occur in the city of Longview as cosponsored city events to allow for the city to provide the street closures at no cost to the organizers of the events.

Council discussed the request.

The discussion was continued to the City Manager's Report.

13. COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

Councilmember Young provided a report.

Councilmember Wean provided a report.

Councilmember Kendall provided a report.

Councilmember Halvorson provided a report.

Councilmember LaFave provided a report.

Councilmember Wallis provided a report.

24-00963 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE SALVATION ARMY TO MANAGE THE SEVERE WEATHER SHELTER FOR THE 2024/ 2025 WINTER**RECOMMENDED ACTION:****MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT**

Councilmember Young requested this be a first-touch on the contract. Has concerns and would like to review the contract.

A motion was made by Councilmember Halvorson, seconded by Councilmember Young to amend the contract to include a definition of public space.

Council discussed the motion.

Councilmember Young withdrew his second.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kendall, seconded by Councilmember Young, to appoint a committee including Councilmember Young, Councilmember Kendall and Councilmember Halvorson to review the contract with staff and make modifications and bring the contract back at the next council meeting October 24, 2024.

Jason still provided public comment.

Michael O'Neill provided public comment.

The motion carried unanimously.

14. CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Councilmember Wallis, seconded by Councilmember Halvorson, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

24-00885 APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

24-00922 RESOLUTION NO. 2517 - JAG GRANT**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2517 AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH COWLITZ COUNTY.

24-00955 RESOLUTION NO. 2518 - WINTER FEES AT THE MINT VALLEY GOLF COURSE FOR THE 2024/2025 SEASON & AMENDMENT OF CONFLICTING SECTIONS OF RESOLUTION NO. 2478**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2518

24-00905 PROJECT COMPLETION – SUBMERSIBLE MIXER AND CHLORINE BOOSTER SYSTEM**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

MOTION TO ACCEPT AS COMPLETE THE SUBMERSIBLE MIXER AND CHLORINE BOOSTER SYSTEM

24-00929 IAFF 3375 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT, JANUARY 1, 2025 - DECEMBER 31, 2025**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

MOTION TO APPROVE THE IAFF LOCAL 3375 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT FOR 2025.

24-00951 SET PUBLIC HEARING ON NOVEMBER 14, 2024 FOR PROPOSED ANNEXATION – 4511 OCEAN BEACH HWY AND ASSOCIATED PARCELS**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

MOTION TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING ON NOVEMBER 14, 2024

24-00953 PERIODIC UPDATE GRANT LETTER OF SUPPORT**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

MOTION TO HAVE THE MAYOR TO SIGN A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE CITY AS REQUIRED BY THE WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE'S PERIODIC UPDATE GRANT.

24-00777 SET PUBLIC HEARING ON OCTOBER 24, 2024 FOR PROPOSED REVENUE SOURCES FOR THE 2025 GENERAL FUND**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

MOTION TO SET PUBLIC HEARING ON OCTOBER 24, 2024

15. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**24-00923 FINAL SUMMARY OF BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS AND FINAL COUNCIL DIRECTION FOR THE 2025 AND 2026 BUDGET PREPARATION.**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**MOTION TO APPROVE THE SUMMARY OF CAPITOL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS, ENHANCEMENTS, BUDGET REDUCTIONS AND GIVE STAFF DIRECTION FOR INCREASING REVENUE WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND.**

Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Chris Collins presented.

Council discussed the presentation.

A motion was made by Councilmember Wean, seconded by Councilmember Kendall, to approve Option E: 2 step B & O Utility Combo. 2025 - raise B & O from current rate of .001% to .002% for retail, manufacturing and wholesale = \$0.01 for every \$10.00 and increase the threshold from \$20,000 to \$100,000, dropping 663 filers. 2026 - increase utility rate from 14.5% to 21.5%.

An amendment was made by Councilmember Halvorson, seconded by Councilmember Wallis, to approve Option C: Raise B & O Tax and Utility Tax. 2025 - raise B & O from current rate of .001% to .0015% for retail, manufacturing and wholesale = \$0.01 for every \$20.00 and increase the threshold from \$20,000 to \$100,000, dropping 663 filers and increase utility rate 4%.

Michael O'Neill provided public comment.

Jason Still provided public comment.

A citizen, name unstated, provided public comment.

The amendment to the motion failed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Halvorson, Councilmember Young, Mayor Boudreau.

Nays: Councilmember Wean, Councilmember Wallis, Councilmember LaFave, Councilmember Kendall.

An amendment was made by Councilmember Young, seconded by Councilmember Halvorson, to approve Option E: 2 step B & O Utility Combo with modifications. 2025 - raise B & O from current rate of .001% to .0015% for retail, manufacturing and wholesale = \$0.01 for every \$20.00 and increase the threshold from \$20,000 to \$100,000, dropping 663 filers. 2026 - increase utility rate 7% from 14.5% to 21.5%.

An amendment to the amendment was made by Councilmember Wean, seconded by Councilmember Wallis to approve Option E: 2 step B & O Utility Combo with modifications. 2025 - raise B & O from current rate of .001% to .0015% for retail, manufacturing and wholesale = \$0.01 for every \$20.00 and increase the threshold from \$20,000 to \$100,000, dropping 663 filers and increase utility rate 3.5%. 2026 - raise B & O rate of .0015% to .002% for retail, manufacturing and wholesale = \$0.01 for every \$10.00 and keep the threshold at \$100,000 and increase utility rate 3.5%.

The amendment to the amendment failed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Wean, Councilmember Kendall, Councilmember Wallis

Nays: Councilmember Boudreau, Councilmember Halvorson, Councilmember Young, Councilmember LaFave

An amendment to the amendment was made by Councilmember Young, seconded by Councilmember Wean, to approve Option E: 2 step B & O Utility Combo with modifications. 2025 - raise B & O from current rate of .001% to .0015% for retail, manufacturing and wholesale = \$0.01 for every \$20.00 and increase the threshold from \$20,000 to \$100,000, dropping 663 filers and increase utility rate 3.5%. 2026 - increase utility rate 3.5%.

Jason Still provided public comment.

Anne Bennett provided public comment.

Bruce Holway provided public comment.

The amendment to the amendment carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Young, Councilmember Wean, Councilmember Kendall, Councilmember Wallis

Nays: Councilmember Halvorson, Councilmember LaFave, Mayor Boudreau

The main motion as amended to increase B & O from current rate of .001% to .0015% for retail, manufacturing and wholesale and increase the threshold from \$20,000 to \$100,000, dropping 663 filers and increase utility rate 3.5% in 2025 and increase utility rate 3.5% in 2026.

Jason Still provided public comment.

A citizen, name unstated, provided public comment.

The main motion as amended carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Young, Councilmember Wean, Councilmember Kendall, Councilmember Wallis

Nays: Councilmember Halvorson, Councilmember LaFave, Mayor Boudreau

A motion was made by Councilmember Halvorson, seconded by Councilmember LaFave, to direct staff to make a budget enhancement to add five police patrol officers beginning in 2025.

Council discussed the motion. This is a budget enhancement of \$1 million plus.

Jason Still provided public comment.

Bruce Holway provided public comment.

Michael O'Neill provided public comment.

The motion failed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Halvorson, Councilmember LaFave

Nays: Councilmember Young, Councilmember Wean, Councilmember Kendall, Councilmember Wallis

Abstained: Mayor Boudreau

The council recessed at 9:22 p.m. for a period of 5 minutes and returned at 9:27 p.m.

24-00952 ALLOCATE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS FOR ADA CURB CUTS

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO SPEND \$100,000 TO REPLACE ADA CURB CUTS

Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Chris Collins presented.

Council discussed the presentation.

A motion was made by Councilmember Halvorson, seconded by Councilmember Wallis, to authorize the Public Works Department to spend \$100,000 to replace ADA curb cuts. The motion carried unanimously.

Interim City Manager Duscha provided a report.

Mayor Boudreau requested concurrence to designate two annual parades that occur in the city of Longview as cosponsored city events to allow for the city to provide the street closures at no cost to the organizers of the events.

Council discussed the request.

Interim City Attorney Charlotte Archer explained a resolution is needed to address the public benefit so there is no gift of public funds.

A motion was made by Councilmember Young, seconded by Mayor Boudreau, to direct staff to draft a resolution designating the Christmas Parade and the Independence Day Parade as co-sponsored community events, draft a 5-year budget projection and bring back information on applying for tourism funds.

Council discussed the motion.

Jason Still provided public comment.

The motion carried unanimously.

16. MISCELLANEOUS

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION

24-00853 PERFORMANCE OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PER RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)

The City Council, Interim City Attorney Charlotte Archer, Human Resources Director Sabrina

Fraidenburg entered Executive Session at 9:54 p.m. pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) Performance of a

Public Employee for a period of 16 minutes. At 10:10 p.m. Executive Session was continued for 5 minutes. At 10:25 p.m. all parties came out of Executive Session. No decisions were made.

24-00930 POTENTIAL LITIGATION PER RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)

The City Council, Interim City Manager Jim Duscha, Interim City Attorney Charlotte Archer, Human Resources Director Sabrina Fraidenburg, and Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Chris Collins entered Executive Session at 10:28 p.m. pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(1)(i) Potential Litigation for a period of 10 minutes. At 10:39 p.m. all parties came out of Executive Session. No decisions were made.

18. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:39 p.m.

*Tiffany Ostreim
City Clerk*

*Approved: _____
Mayor*

NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS:

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.

NEXT SPECIAL COUNCIL WORKSHOP:

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2024 – 6:00 P.M. – URBAN FORESTRY

NEXT SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETINGS:

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2024 – 6:00 P.M. (NO MEETING NOVEMBER 28 - THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY)