



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, February 27,
2025

6:00 PM

2nd Floor, City Hall

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Boudreau called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. INVOCATION*/FLAG SALUTE

25-001220 JERRY CHAPMAN, DRUMSPEAKER MINISTRIES

After the invocation provided by Jerry Chapman of Drumspeaker Ministries, the flag salute was recited.

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Boudreau, Mayor Pro Tem LaFave, Councilmember Kendall (Zoom), Councilmember Wean, Councilmember Wallis, Councilmember Young, Councilmember Halvorson

Staff Present: City Manager Jennifer Wills, Interim City Attorney Charlotte Archer, City Clerk Tiffany Ostreim, Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Chris Collins, Community & Economic Development Director Nick Little, Police Chief Robert Huhta, Human Resources Director Sabrina Fraidenburg, Recreation Manager Justin Brown, Fire Chief Brad Hannig, Public Information Officer Angela Abel, Information Technology Director Mike Sullivan, Finance Director Lisa Wolff

4. **WORKSHOP**

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

25-001180 FEBRUARY 13, 2025 REGULAR MEETING

A motion was made by Councilmember Wallis, seconded by Councilmember Halvorson, to approve the February 13, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

6. **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

7. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

25-00176 LITIGATION OR POTENTIAL LITIGATION PER RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)

The City Council, City Manager Jennifer Wills, Interim City Attorney Charlotte Archer, Human Resources Director Sabrina Fraidenburg, Public Works Director/Ast City Manager Chris Collins and Attorney Erin Hillier entered Executive Session at 6:05 p.m. pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) Litigation or Potential Litigation for a period of 15 minutes. At 6:20 p.m. Executive Session was continued for 15 minutes. At 6:35 p.m. all parties came out of Executive Session. No action was taken.

8. **PRESENTATIONS & AWARDS**

**25-00189 PROCLAMATION - TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH - FEBRUARY, 2025
RECIPIENT: TOSHA NAKANO, EMERGENCY SUPPORT SHELTER**

Mayor Boudreau presented the proclamation to Tosha Nakano and Shari Lyle, who accepted on behalf of the Emergency Support Shelter.

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

*Allison Moss provided public comment.
Debra Pohlman provided public comment.
Eric Mitchell provided public comment.
Jason Still provided public comment.
Clint Hash provided public comment.
Derek Fine provided public comment.*

10. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

25-00177 PUBLIC HEARING – POTENTIAL REMOVAL OF FLUORIDE FROM CITY WATER SUPPLY

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
RECEIVE STAFF PRESENTATION AND CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING

Public Works Director/Ast. City Manager Chris Collins gave a brief presentation.

Mayor Boudreau opened the public hearing at 7:14 p.m.
Dean Takko spoke on the agreement with Beacon Hill Water and Sewer District.
Pat Martin spoke in support.
Keith Larson spoke in support.
Dr. Jeff Langdon spoke in support.
Anik St. Martin spoke against.
Carl Torgerson spoke in support.
Kadwick Marcill spoke against.
Jim Nakashima spoke in support.
Mike Claxton spoke in support.
Randy Knox spoke neutral.
Brittany Cole spoke in support.
John McClelland spoke in support.
Lori Larson spoke in support.
Dawn Courtney spoke against.
Clark Carroll spoke in support.
Larry Peterson spoke in support.
Erin Harnish spoke in support.
John Kenagy spoke in support.
Jason Still spoke neutral.
Derek Fine spoke against.
Albert Luh spoke in support.
Jon Erik Hegstad spoke in support.
Carol Zonich spoke in support.
Manon Kaufman spoke in support.
Jarod Mitchell spoke against.
Anne Bennett spoke in support.
John Hammill spoke in support.
Michael O'Neill spoke in support.
Pat Richards spoke in support.
Teresa Purcell spoke in support.
Art Burkmeyer spoke in support.
A motion was made by Councilmember Wallis to allow participants on-line to speak during the public hearing. The motion died for a lack of a second.
Mayor Boudreau closed the public hearing at 8:32 p.m.

A motion was made by Councilmember Halvorson to direct staff to bring back a resolution at the next council meeting causing an advisory vote on the November, 2025 general election for the question of removing fluoride from the city water supply system.

Council discussed the motion.

Public Works Director/Ast. City Manager stated the cost of an election varies depending on number of items on the ballot. High of \$44,000 with only one item to \$10,000 with more items. A survey could be between \$3,000 - \$4,000. Beacon Hill Water and Sewer District is having a meeting March 18 and could discuss doing a combined referendum.

An amendment to the motion was made by Councilmember Halvorson to direct staff to bring back a resolution at the next council meeting causing an advisory vote on the November, 2025 general election for the question of removing fluoride from the city water supply system and to further direct staff to have discussions with Beacon Hill Sewer District.

Jason Still provided public comment.

Pat Richards provided public comment.

Erin Harnish provided public comment.

A citizen, name unstated, provided public comment.

A citizen, name unstated, provided public comment.

Teresa Purcell provided public comment.

Michael O'Neill provided public comment.

*John McClelland provided public comment.
Michael Claxton provided public comment.
Bruce Halloway provided public comment.
John Melink provided public comment.
Brittany Cole provided public comment.
Public Works Director/Ast. City Manager Chris Collins stated Beacon Hill Water and Sewer is open to a discussion. Their Commissioners would have to give direction to have a referendum vote.
Arlene Hubble provided public comment.
Randy Knox provided public comment.
Larry Peterson provided public comment.
Dr. Jeff Langdon provided public comment.
Council discussed the amended motion.*

A motion was made by Councilmember LaFave, seconded by Councilmember Young, to go into Executive Session regarding Litigation or Potential Litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). The motion carried unanimously.

The City Council, City Manager Jennifer Wills, Public Works Director/Ast. City Manager Chris Collins, Interim City Attorney Charlotte Archer entered Executive Session at 9:30 p.m. pursuant to Litigation or Potential Litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) for a period of 15 minutes. At 9:45 p.m. all parties came out of Executive Session. No action was taken.

An amendment to the main motion was made by Councilmember LaFave, seconded by Councilmember Young, to direct city staff to meet with Beacon Hill Water and Sewer March 18, 2025 and bring back the conversation to the council during their regular meeting March 27, 2025. The amendment carried unanimously.

The main motion, as amended, is to direct city staff to meet with Beacon Hill Water and Sewer March 18, 2025 and bring back the conversation to the council during their regular meeting March 27, 2025 and further to direct staff at that time to bring back a resolution at the next council meeting causing an advisory vote on the November, 2025 general election for the question of removing fluoride from the city water supply system. The main motion as amended carried by the following vote:

***Councilmember LaFave, Councilmember Young, Councilmember Halvorson, Mayor Boudreau
Nays: Councilmember Wean, Councilmember Wallis, Councilmember Kendall.***

11. **BOARD & COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS**

12. **ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS**

25-00194 **RESOLUTION NO. 2546 - CLONEY PARK STORMWATER CULVERT REPLACEMENT AGREEMENT WITH WASHINGTON STATE PUBLIC WORKS BOARD**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2546

Public Works Director/Ast. City Manager Chris Collins presented an exhibit and explained the project

A motion was made by Councilmember Wallis, seconded by Councilmember Young, to adopt Resolution No. 2546.

Jason Still provided public comment.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Wallis, Councilmember Young, Councilmember LaFave, Councilmember Wean, Councilmember Kendall, Mayor Boudreau

Nays: Councilmember Halvorson

13. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

25-00179 RECOGNITION OF VOLUNTEERS SERVING ON BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS FOR TERMS COMPLETED IN 2024

Mayor Boudreau stated the recognition of volunteers will be pushed to the March 13, 2025 Council agenda.

Council concurred on the participation for this year's Washington DC trip - Mayor Boudreau, Councilmember Halvorson, City Manager Jennifer Wills and Assistant City Manager Chris Collins. Manager Wills is working on a policy and will present to the council during their retreat this year.

14. COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

*Councilmember Young provided a report.
Councilmember LaFave provided a report.
Councilmember Wean provided a report.
Councilmember Wallis provided a report.
Councilmember Kendall provided a report.
Councilmember Halvorson provided a report.*

15. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

25-001181 APPROVAL OF CLAIMS**16. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

*Manager Wills introduced new Finance Director Lisa Wolff
Announced the Citizens Summit March 19 and March 22 and an Employee Summit March 26.
Grand reopening of the Mint Valley Tennis Center is Friday, March 7, at 3:00 p.m.*

17. MISCELLANEOUS**18. EXECUTIVE SESSION****25-00175 LEGAL RISK OF CURRENT OR PROPOSED ACTION PER RCW 42.30.110(1)(iii)**

Mayor Boudreau announced this item would be pushed to the March 13, 2025 Council Agenda.

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:24 p.m.

***Tiffany Ostreim
City Clerk***

***Approved: _____
Mayor***

NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS:

THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 2025 – 6:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2025 – 6:00 P.M. - IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE SPECIAL WORKSHOP ON DOWNTOWN PARKING

NEXT SPECIAL COUNCIL WORKSHOPS:

THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2025 – 6:00 P.M. – COMMUNITY EVENTS PRIORITY DISCUSSION - LONGVIEW CITY HALL TRAINING ROOM

THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2025 - 5:00 P.M. - DOWNTOWN PARKING - COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CITIZEN SUMMITS:

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2025 – 6:00 P.M. – WOMAN'S CLUB, 835 21ST AVE.

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2025 - 10:00 A.M. - WOMAN'S CLUB, 835 21ST AVE.