



City of Longview

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Agenda

Revenue Committee

Monday, July 14, 2025

3:00 PM

Training Room
2nd Floor, City Hall

1. **HYBRID MEETING DETAILS**

25-00646 Please click the link to join the webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84732007844>
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2. **CALL TO ORDER**

3. **ROLL CALL**

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

25-00647 MINUTES FROM MARCH 10, 2025
NO MEETING WAS HELD IN APRIL, MAY OR JUNE 2025.

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

25-00648 MID YEAR REVIEW

6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

7. **CURRENT PROJECT UPDATES**

8. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

9. **ADJOURNMENT**



Minutes

Revenue Committee

Monday, March 10, 2025

3:00 PM

Training Room,
2nd Floor, City Hall

1. HYBRID MEETING DETAILS

25-00229 Please click the link to join the webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84732007844>
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2. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 pm.

3. ROLL CALL

*Present: Councilmember Kalei LaFave; Councilmember MaryAlice Wallis (joined at 3:13 pm); Councilmember Angie Wean; Public Works Director Chris Collins
Staff: Brad Hanning, Fire Chief; Jen Wills, City Manager; Nick Little, Community Development Director; Lisa Wolff, Fiscal Manager; Mike Sullivan, IT Director; Angela Abel, PIO; Sabrina Fraidenburg, HR Director; Nikki Rohl, Admin Assistant; several Fire crewmembers; Nancy Vandehey, Admin*

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

25-00230 **MINUTES FROM JANUARY 13, 2025
FEBRUARY 10, 2025 MEETING WAS CANCELLED.**
The minutes were approved as presented.

5. NEW BUSINESS

25-00231 **FIRE LEVY PRESENTATION**

*Brad Hanning, Fire Chief, shared a presentation. Discussions included praise for the Fire Dept, an inquiry into why we need to do this now (has been discussed before), infrastructure needs (water supply, hydrants, etc), revenue streams, the support of staff retention, union support, and prioritizing the tax payer funds to Fire not general fund. If approved in November and implemented in January 2026, the funds would start arriving in June 2026.
The committee is in support of bringing this back to Council. It will be very important to market this heavily, which may involve hiring a firm for promotion.*

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. CURRENT PROJECT UPDATES

8. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm.

Mid Year Update

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1. TBD
2. ASF
3. Sales Tax
4. Fire District
5. Hope Village
6. Hospital B&O
7. Summary

TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT DISTRICT ANALYSIS

Date: 5/31/25

	2025 Budget	2025 Actual
January	\$82,199	\$96,664
February	\$91,608	\$102,010
March	\$85,701	\$56,569
April	\$113,463	\$54,727
May	\$106,658	\$195,058
June	\$105,755	\$105,755
July	\$101,078	\$101,078
August	\$101,038	\$101,038
September	\$126,149	\$126,149
October	\$100,503	\$100,503
November	\$102,313	\$102,313
December	\$83,534	\$83,534
Totals	\$1,200,000	\$1,225,399

2025 Projected based on 2018-2024 history -
2025 Budget = \$1,200,000

\$1,263,546

ARTERIAL STREET FUND ANALYSIS

Date: 5/31/2025

	2025 Budget	2025 Actual
January	\$15,581	\$16,638
February	\$17,641	\$15,466
March	\$20,050	\$11,289
April	\$16,052	\$9,154
May	\$17,834	\$9,750
June	\$19,440	\$19,440
July	\$18,448	\$18,448
August	\$19,605	\$19,605
September	\$21,037	\$21,037
October	\$20,727	\$20,727
November	\$18,048	\$18,048
December	\$20,536	\$20,536
Totals	\$225,000	\$200,139

2025 *Projected* based on 2012-2024 history -

\$160,820

2025 Budget = \$225,000

SALES TAX ANALYSIS - 2025 PROJECTION

Date: 5/31/25

	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	Projected % of Total	2024 Actual
January	\$846,196	\$995,386	7.36%	\$937,887
February	\$1,100,592	\$1,216,812	9.57%	\$1,123,034
March	\$846,280	\$964,187	7.36%	\$915,647
April	\$830,218	\$895,425	7.22%	\$977,683
May	\$993,027	\$1,128,252	8.64%	\$1,055,590
June	\$938,207	\$938,207	8.16%	\$981,218
July	\$963,555	\$963,555	8.38%	\$1,086,606
August	\$1,058,659	\$1,058,659	9.21%	\$1,126,626
September	\$970,525	\$970,525	8.44%	\$1,117,549
October	\$986,111	\$986,111	8.57%	\$1,067,337
November	\$1,012,045	\$1,012,045	8.80%	\$1,115,017
December	\$954,585	\$954,585	8.30%	\$1,185,246
Totals	\$11,500,000	\$12,083,748	100.00%	\$12,689,441

2025 Projected based on 1997-2024 history -
2025 Budget = \$11,500,000

\$12,954,212

\$12,840,718

Longview Fire District

The revenue committee provided 3 options to enhance the city's revenue over the 2025/2026 budget cycle to position the City well for the 2027/2028 budget.

- Metropolitan Parks District.
- Transportation Benefit District Sales Tax.
- Longview Fire District.

All three recommendations were brought to City Council where one was chosen to further analyze; The Fire district.

After extensive review Staff recommended that the City place the Fire District referendum on the 2026 regular election ballot, and to hire a marketing firm to assist in public education.

If approved by voters, the additional sales tax is projected to lessen the general fund contribution to Fire and EMS services by \$1.5 to \$2 million.

Hope Village

- Hope Village has an operating budget of \$1.5 million annually.
- The City is currently seeking a provider that can bill for many of the services offered.
- The City has received \$1.5 million in state funding for 2025/2026 for the operation of Hope Village. The funds are earmarked by the Department of Commerce and Administered by Cowlitz County.

Hospital B&O

Currently Longview offers a B&O Tax exemption for Hospitals.

LMC 5.05.110

(16) This chapter shall not apply to amounts derived as compensation for services rendered or to be rendered to patients by a hospital, as defined in Chapter 70.41 RCW, devoted to the care of human beings with respect to the prevention or treatment of disease, sickness or suffering, when such hospital is operated by the United States or any of its instrumentalities, or by the state or any of its political subdivisions.

(17) This chapter shall not apply to amounts derived as compensation for services rendered to patients by a hospital, as defined in Chapter 70.41 RCW, which is operated as a nonprofit corporation, nursing homes and homes for unwed mothers operated as religious or charitable organizations, but only if no part of the net earnings received by such an institution inures, directly or indirectly, to any person other than the institution entitled to exemption hereunder. In no event shall any such exemption be allowed, unless the hospital building is entitled to exemption from taxation under property tax laws of the state.

Hospital Definition

Chapter 70.41 RCW

(8) "Hospital" means any institution, place, building, or agency which provides accommodations, facilities and services over a continuous period of twenty-four hours or more, for observation, diagnosis, or care, of two or more individuals not related to the operator who are suffering from illness, injury, deformity, or abnormality, or from any other condition for which obstetrical, medical, or surgical services would be appropriate for care or diagnosis. "Hospital" as used in this chapter does not include hotels, or similar places furnishing only food and lodging, or simply domiciliary care; nor does it include clinics, or physician's offices where patients are not regularly kept as bed patients for twenty-four hours or more; nor does it include nursing homes, as defined and which come within the scope of chapter 18.51 RCW; nor does it include birthing centers, which come within the scope of chapter 18.46 RCW; nor does it include *psychiatric hospitals, which come within the scope of chapter 71.12 RCW; nor any other hospital, or institution specifically intended for use in the diagnosis and care of those suffering from mental illness, intellectual disability, convulsive disorders, or other abnormal mental condition. Furthermore, nothing in this chapter or the rules adopted pursuant thereto shall be construed as authorizing the supervision, regulation, or control of the remedial care or treatment of residents or patients in any hospital conducted for those who rely primarily upon treatment by prayer or spiritual means in accordance with the creed or tenets of any well recognized church or religious denominations.

Cities that Charge B&O and Have Hospitals

City	Hospital	Rate	Charge	Exempt	Non-profit religious or government exemption
Olympia, Washington	CAPITAL MEDICAL CENTER		0.002X		
Tukwila, Washington	CASCADE BEHAVIORAL HOSPITAL		0.00085X		
Aberdeen, Washington	GRAYS HARBOR COMMUNITY HOSPITAL		0.0037X		
Bremerton, Washington	HARRISON MEDICAL CENTER		0.0016X		
Burien, Washington	HIGHLINE MEDICAL CENTER		0.002X		
Port Townsend, Washington	JEFFERSON HEALTHCARE		0.002X		
Tacoma, Washington	MARY BRIDGE CHILDRENS HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CENTER		0.004X	X	\$30m and under
Shelton, Washington	MASON GENERAL HOSPITAL		0.002X		
Auburn, Washington	MULTICARE AUBURN MEDICAL CENTER		0.0018	X	\$10m and under
Ilwaco, Washington	OCEAN BEACH HOSPITAL		0.002X		
Bellevue, Washington	OVERLAKE HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER		0.001596X		
Longview, Washington	PEACEHEALTH ST. JOHN MEDICAL CENTER			X	
Bellingham, Washington	PEACEHEALTH ST. JOSEPH MEDICAL CENTER		0.0044		
Seattle	GROUP HEALTH CENTRAL HOSPITAL		0.00427	X	X
Seattle	HARBORVIEW MEDICAL CENTER		0.00427		X
Seattle	KINDRED HOSPITAL SEATTLE - NORTHGATE		0.00427		X
Seattle	NAVOS		0.00427		X
Everett, Washington	PROVIDENCE REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER EVERETT		0.001X		
Olympia, Washington	PROVIDENCE ST. PETER HOSPITAL		0.001X		
Burien, Washington	REGIONAL HOSPITAL		0.002X		
Seattle	SEATTLE CANCER CARE ALLIANCE		0.00427		X
Seattle	SEATTLE CHILDRENS HOSPITAL		0.00427		X
Snoqualmie, Washington	SNOQUALMIE VALLEY HOSPITAL		0.0015X		
Tacoma, Washington	ST. CLARE HOSPITA		0.004X	X	\$30m and under
Tacoma, Washington	ST. JOSEPH MEDICAL CENTER		0.004X	X	\$30m and under
Seattle	SWEDISH MEDICAL CENTER - CHERRY HILL		0.00427		X
Seattle	SWEDISH MEDICAL CENTER - FIRST HILL		0.00427		X
Issaquah, Washington	SWEDISH MEDICAL CENTER - ISSAQUAH CAMPUS		0.0015X		
Tacoma, Washington	TACOMA GENERAL/ALLENMORE HOSPITAL		0.004X	X	\$30m and under
Seattle	UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON MEDICAL CENTER		0.00427	X	
Seattle	UW MEDICINE/NORTHWEST HOSPITAL		0.00427	X	
Renton, Washington	UW MEDICINE/VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER		0.00121X		
Seattle	VIRGINIA MASON MEDICAL CENTER		0.00427		X
South Bend, Washington	WILLAPA HARBOR HOSPITAL		0.002X		

- Peace Health St. Johns is Longview's Only Hospital
- Peace Health St. Johns reported \$1,241,972,536 in gross revenue for 2023.
- Currently Peace Health is not paying any B&O Tax.

Questions/ Next Steps

- What should be paid now?
- What does removal of the exemption look like?
- What are the next steps?
- Meeting with Peace Health is scheduled for 7/26

Summary

Projected Annual budget short shortfall = ~ \$4 million annually 2027/2028

- Fire District = ~ \$1.5-\$2 million
- Hope Village Funding = \$.7-1.5 million
- B&O Exemption Removal = \$??????

Thank You

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