



Minutes

Downtown Advisory Committee

Tuesday, July 15, 2025

10:00 AM

2nd Floor, City Hall

HYBRID MEETING DETAILS

25-00651 Please click the link to join the webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83331274129>
Webinar ID: 833 3127 4129
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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am.

ROLL CALL

Present: Elizabeth Borders, Chair; Josh Carter, CoChair; Rachelle (Sanders) Burch; Kat Cooper; Ariel Large; Dawn Morgan; Allan Rudberg; Karl Salzsieder; Ruth Kendall, Council Liaison

Excused: Bill Hallanger; Rikissa Harrison; Laura Hight

Staff present: Nick Little; Irene Rutikanga; Morgan Palmer; Sam Van Laer

Downtowners: Amelia Nesbit, President

Guest: Mike Chapman, HPC president

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

25-00652 **MINUTES FROM MAY 20, 2025.**
NO MEETING HELD ON JUNE 17, 2025.
The minutes were approved as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

NEW BUSINESS

25-00653 **STREET PAINTING PROPOSAL COLLABORATION WITH DOWNTOWNERS AND COMPLETE STREETS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The Downtowners and Broadstrokes organizations propose painting six to eight intersections over a two-year period to enhance the beauty of downtown Longview and celebrate local contemporary

art. Broadstrokes would provide equipment, paint, and volunteer coordination. The Downtowners would promote the idea to local artists and coordinate the street closures. Would like to start in the spring or summer of next year and close down the street for one day a week. The Committee discussed potential barriers with City Engineering who will provide a guide for street art regulations and confirm acceptable locations. The Accessibility Advisory Committee will be contacted regarding accessibility considerations.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS

25-00654 DOWNTOWNERS REPORT

The Downtowners are concerned the hanging baskets that were placed have been moved to different locations. Nine of the baskets that should be downtown are at the lake. Many of the watering systems are not functional. Parks manages the watering systems and should be contacted to find out which are functional. Need to look into the cost of repairing the water systems.

25-00655 T-MOBILE GRANT UPDATE

Nick Little reports that the City was not awarded the T-Mobile grant.

25-00683 AWC CONFERENCE PRESENTATION - DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION

Councilmember Kendell shared different ideas for community spaces and downtown revitalization. Other cities have added murals or created plazas by closing off a street. There are different potential places downtown for this, such as the space in front of the Columbia Theater and other parking lots.

Nick Little shared ideas for public benches made from recycled wind turbines (nobilewins.com). These can be painted in different ways and range from \$3,000 - \$8,500.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:04 am.