



# City of Longview

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## Minutes

### City Council

*Mayor Erik Halvorson  
Mayor Pro Tem Keith Young  
Council Member Chris Bryant  
Council Member Mike Claxton  
Council Member Ruth Kendall  
Council Member Kalei LaFave  
Council Member Wayne Nichols*

Thursday, March 12,  
2026

6:00 PM

2nd Floor, City Hall

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **INVOCATION\*/FLAG SALUTE**

**26-00179 COLE PRUITT, VALLEY VIEW CHURCH**

*After the invocation provided by Cole Pruitt of Valley View Church, the flag salute was recited.*

3. **ROLL CALL**

*Present: Mayor Halvorson, Mayor Pro Tem Young, Councilmember Bryant, Councilmember Claxton, Councilmember Kendall, Councilmember LaFave, Councilmember Nichols*

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

**4. WORKSHOP****5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES****26-0056 FEBRUARY 26, 2026 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

*A motion was made by Councilmember Bryant, seconded by Councilmember LaFave, to approve the February 26, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.*

**6. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

*Mayor Halvorson added a motion item under the City Manager's Report to set a public hearing for a Special Property Use for a driving school on 1338 Commerce Avenue.*

**7. PRESENTATIONS & AWARDS****8. CONSTITUENTS' COMMENTS - NON-AGENDA ITEMS (Thirty Minutes)**

*John Marth provided public comment.  
Marc Roland provided public comment.  
Jason Still provided public comment.  
Derek Fine provided public comment  
Dawn Courtney provided public comment.*

**9. PUBLIC HEARINGS****26-00197 ORDINANCE NO. 3572 - AMENDING LMC CHAPTER 15.24.070 AND ADOPTING THE TRRWA DISCHARGE PRETREATMENT POLICY****RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**HOLD THE PUBLIC HEARING AND MOTION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 3572 AMENDING LONGVIEW MUNICIPAL CODE (LMC) 15.24.070 TO ADOPT BY REFERENCE THE UPDATED THREE RIVERS REGIONAL WASTEWATER AUTHORITY (TRRWA) DISCHARGE PRETREATMENT POLICY.**

*Mayor Halvorson opened the public hearing at 6:21 p.m.  
Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Chris Collins explained the ordinance.  
Council discussed the ordinance.  
TRRWA General Manager Joe Jordan, was present and answered questions.*

*Mayor Halvorson opened the public comment portion of the hearing.  
Matt Swanson provided public comment.  
Mayor Halvorson closed the public comment portion and the hearing at 6:27 p.m.*

*A motion was made by Councilmember Kendall, seconded by Councilmember Nichols, to adopt Ordinance No. 3572. The motion carried unanimously.*

**26-00194 ORDINANCE NO. 3573 - AMENDING LMC CHAPTER 5.08 - AMBULANCE TRANSPORT RATE FOR FIRE-EMS SERVICES****RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**HOLD THE PUBLIC HEARING AND MOTION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 3573 AMENDING LMC CHAPTER 5.08**

*Mayor Halvorson opened the public hearing at 6:28 p.m.  
City Manager Jennifer Wills explained the ordinance.*

*Council discussed the ordinance.*

*Mayor Halvorson opened the public comment portion of the hearing at 6:29 p.m.  
Matt Swanson provided public comment.  
Mayor Halvorson closed the public comment portion and the hearing at 6:31 p.m.*

***A motion was made by Councilmember Kendall, seconded by Councilmember Nichols, to adopt Ordinance No. 3573.***

*City Manager Wills explained the change in the ordinance.  
Council discussed.*

***The motion carried by the following vote:***

***Ayes: Councilmember Kendall, Councilmember Nichols, Councilmember LaFave,  
Councilmember Claxton, Mayor Halvorson***

***Nays: Councilmember Bryant, Councilmember Young***

**26-00200 RESOLUTION NO. 2608 - ESTABLISHING AMBULANCE TRANSPORT AND MILEAGE RATES FOR FIRE-EMS SERVICES**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2608**

*City Manager Wills explained the resolution.  
Council discussed the resolution.*

***A motion was made by Councilmember Kendall, seconded by Councilmember LaFave, to adopt Resolution No. 2608. The motion carried by the following vote:***

***Ayes: Councilmember Kendall, Councilmember LaFave, Councilmember Claxton,  
Councilmember Nichols, Mayor Halvorson***

***Nays: Councilmember Bryant, Councilmember Young***

**10. CONSTITUENTS' COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS (Thirty Minutes)**

*Aaron Marthaller provided public comment.*

**11. BOARD & COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS**

**26-00191 PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD - 2026 NEIGHBORHOOD PARK GRANT PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION FOR THE 2025 NEIGHBORHOOD PARK GRANT PROGRAM**

*Parks and Recreation Director Justin Brown presented.  
Council discussed the presentation.*

*Aaron Marthaller provided information on the baseball bleachers.*

*Parks and Recreation Director Justin Brown provided additional information on the baseball bleachers and the pickleball application, which was not recommended.*

*City Manager Jennifer Wills provided information on the pickleball courts.*

***A motion was made by Councilmember Bryant, seconded by Councilmember Nichols, to approve the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board's recommendation for the 2025 Neighborhood Park Grant Program for \$17,914 for Longview Youth Baseball cage turf and bleachers and \$11,042 for Longview Soccer Club facility electrical and plumbing repairs.***

***An amendment to the motion was made by Councilmember Kendall, seconded by Mayor Halvorson, to fully fund the Longview Soccer Club for \$11,683.***

*Council discussed the amendment to the motion.*

***The amendment to the motion carried by the following vote:***

***Ayes: Councilmember Kendall, Councilmember Bryant, Councilmember Claxton,***

*Councilmember Nichols, Mayor Halvorson*  
*Nays: Councilmember Young, Councilmember LaFave*

*The main motion as amended carried by the following vote:*  
*Ayes: Councilmember Young, Councilmember Kendall, Councilmember Claxton, Councilmember Bryant, Councilmember Nichols, Mayor Halvorson*  
*Nays: Councilmember LaFave*

**26-00196 SECOND DISCUSSION REGARDING DOWNTOWN UNIFORM PARKING PROPOSAL, INCLUDING PATH FORWARD FOR IMPLEMENTATION**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**  
**SEEKING APPROVAL TO IMPLEMENT THE DOWNTOWN UNIFORM PARKING PROPOSAL**

*Community Development Director Nick Little presented.*  
*Council discussed the presentation.*

*A motion was made by Councilmember Young, seconded by Councilmember Kendall, to implement the Downtown Uniform Parking Proposal.*  
*Council discussed the motion.*  
*The motion carried unanimously.*

**12. ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS**

**26-00192 RESOLUTION NO. 2607 - MINT VALLEY GOLF COURSE RATES**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**  
**MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2607**

*Parks and Recreation Director Justin Brown explained the rates.*  
*Council discussed the resolution.*

*A motion was made by Councilmember Claxton, seconded by Councilmember Kendall, to adopt Resolution No. 2607.*  
*Council discussed.*

*An Amendment was made by Councilmember Young, seconded by Councilmember LaFave, to hold the rate increases until completion of the irrigation and club house/restroom renovations.*  
*Council discussed the amendment to the motion.*  
*The amendment to the motion carried unanimously.*

*The main motion as amended carried unanimously.*

**13. MAYOR'S REPORT**

*Mayor Halvorson provided a verbal report.*

**14. COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS**

*Councilmember LaFave provided a verbal report.*  
*Councilmember Nichols provided a verbal report.*  
*Councilmember Bryant provided a verbal report.*  
*Councilmember Claxton provided a verbal report.*

**15. CONSENT CALENDAR**

*A motion was made by Councilmember Bryant, seconded by Councilmember Kendall, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried unanimously.*

**26-0057 APPROVAL OF CLAIMS**

26-00193 RESOLUTION NO. 2609 - AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH DARKHORSE EMERGENCY LP FOR DATA ANALYTICS AND PREDICTIVE MODELING SERVICES FOR THE LONGVIEW FIRE DEPARTMENT.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**  
MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2609

26-00195 SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR RESCISSION OF THE ELECTRICAL CODE, KNOWN AS CHAPTER 16.24 OF THE LONGVIEW MUNICIPAL CODE

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**  
MOTION TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING APRIL 9, 2026

26-00198 BID REVIEW – MINT VALLEY PRO SHOP SIDING AND ROOF

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**  
MOTION TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID AND AWARD TO TMC CONTRACTORS LLC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$370,422.70

26-00199 PROJECT COMPLETION – TENNANT WAY CORRIDOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**  
MOTION TO ACCEPT AS COMPLETE THE TENNANT WAY CORRIDOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

16. **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

*City Manager Jennifer Wills provided a verbal report.*

*City Manager Jennifer Wills requested a motion to set a public hearing date for April 9, to consider a Special Property Use for a driving school on 1338 Commerce.*

***A motion was made by Councilmember Bryant, seconded by Councilmember Young, to set the hearing date.***

*Community Development Director Nick Little explained the request for Special Property Use.*

***The motion carried unanimously.***

26-00190 LONGVIEW LIBRARY FOUNDATION SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT

*Library Director Jacob Cole explained the Foundation's Special Event.*

*Council discussed.*

***A motion was made by Councilmember Kendall, seconded by Councilmember Nichols, to approve the Longview Library Foundation Special Event Permit. The motion carried by the following vote:***

***Ayes: Councilmember Kendall, Councilmember Nichols, Councilmember Claxton, Councilmember LaFave, Councilmember Young***

***Opposed: Mayor Halvorson***

***Abstained: Councilmember Bryant***

17. **MISCELLANEOUS**

18. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

19. **ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.*

*Tiffany Ostreim  
City Clerk*

*Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor*

**NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS:**

THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.

**COUNCIL SUMMIT:**

FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2026 - 5:00 - 8:00 P.M.; COWLITZ 911 PUBLIC AUTHORITY, 2790 OCEAN BEACH HWY

SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2026 - 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.; COWLITZ 911 PUBLIC AUTHORITY, 2790 OCEAN BEACH HWY