



City of Longview

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Agenda

City Council

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Tuesday, July 28, 2026

6:00 PM

2nd Floor, City Hall

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1. CALL TO ORDER
2. INVOCATION*/FLAG SALUTE
26-00460 TOM ELHARDT, COWLITZ COMMUNITY OF CHRIST
3. ROLL CALL
4. CHANGES /REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA
5. AWARDS
6. CONSTITUENTS' COMMENTS - NON-AGENDA ITEMS (Thirty Minutes)
7. PRESENTATIONS
26-00543 E-BIKES
26-00637 IT SYSTEMS ENGINEER BUSINESS CASE

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

AUTHORIZE RECRUITMENT FOR ONE IT SYSTEMS ENGINEER, IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROPOSED TRANSITION PLAN, AND TRANSITION FROM ROUTINE OUTSOURCED INFRASTRUCTURE ENGINEERING SERVICES FOLLOWING SUCCESSFUL KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

26-00613 ORDINANCE NO. 3580 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, WASHINGTON AMENDING CHAPTERS 11.18 AND 11.60 RELATED TO PARKING REGULATIONS; REPEALING CHAPTERS 11.44, 11.50, 11.58, 11.62, AND 11.63; AND ESTABLISHING A NEW CHAPTER 11.61, OFF-STREET AND ON-STREET PARKING REGULATIONS

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

HOLD THE PUBLIC HEARING AND MOTION TO APPROVAL ORDINANCE NO. 3580

26-00631 PUBLIC HEARING – REQUEST TO VACATE A 45 FEET WIDE ALLEY BETWEEN A PORTION OF BALTIMORE STREET AND BEECH STREET LYING APPROXIMATELY 225 FEET WEST AND PARALLEL OF CALIFORNIA WAY

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

HOLD THE PUBLIC HEARING THEN MOTION TO:

- **APPROVE THE PROPOSED VACATION AND;**
- **DIRECT THE STAFF TO BRING BACK ORDINANCE 3583 ON AUGUST 11TH FOR ADOPTION AND;.**
- **SET THE VACATION FEES AT \$25,000.00 TO BE USED FOR THE ACQUISITION, DEVELOPMENT, AND TRANSFER OF PARCEL #08460 PLUS COUNTY RECORDING FEES.**

9. CONSTITUENTS' COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS (Thirty Minutes)**10. BOARD & COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS****11. ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS**

**26-00616 ORDINANCE NO. 3579(A) - PERTAINING TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ABUSE; ADOPTING SECTION 9.26.110 TO THE LONGVIEW MUNICIPAL CODE, ESTABLISHING THE OFFENSE OF RECKLESS EXPOSURE OF A CHILD TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES; PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS; CLASSIFYING THE OFFENSE; REFERENCING APPLICABLE GENERAL PENALTY AND CULPABILITY PROVISIONS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE
ORDINANCE NO. 3579(B) INCLUDES IN UTERO LANGUAGE**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 3579

12. CONSENT CALENDAR

26-00458 APPROVAL OF JULY 14, 2026 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES & JULY 21, 2026 SPECIAL MEETING/WORKSHOP MINUTES

26-00459 APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

26-00630 RESOLUTION NO. 2635 – AUTHORIZING APPLICATIONS FOR FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION GRANT FUNDING

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2635

26-00632 BID REVIEW – 1100 BLOCK 11TH & 12TH AVE ALLEY SEWER REPAIR

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
MOTION TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID AND AWARD TO NOVA CONTRACTING, INC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$232,089.00

13. MAYOR'S REPORT

26-00559 LETTER OF SUPPORT

14. COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

15. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

16. MISCELLANEOUS

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION

26-00611 PERFORMANCE OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PER RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)

26-00633 RISK OF PROPOSED ACTION PER RCW 42.30.110(1)(iii)

18. ADJOURNMENT

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NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS:

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.

NEXT SPECIAL COUNCIL WORKSHOP:

MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2026 – 6:00 P.M. – PERSONNEL BUDGETING & THE CITY'S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM



City of Longview

Agenda Summary

IT SYSTEMS ENGINEER BUSINESS CASE

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

AUTHORIZE RECRUITMENT FOR ONE IT SYSTEMS ENGINEER, IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROPOSED TRANSITION PLAN, AND TRANSITION FROM ROUTINE OUTSOURCED INFRASTRUCTURE ENGINEERING SERVICES FOLLOWING SUCCESSFUL KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER

DATE: July 28, 2026

COUNCIL STRATEGIC INITIATIVE ADDRESSED:

Future-Ready infrastructure

Responsible & Honest Governance

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: N/A

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Transition from Routine Outsourced Infrastructure Services to an Internal IT Systems Engineer Purpose

Request City Council authorization to recruit one IT Systems Engineer and transition routine outsourced infrastructure engineering services to an internal staffing model following a structured onboarding and knowledge-transfer period.

Background

The City currently relies on an outsourced managed-services model to provide routine infrastructure engineering support. Staff has evaluated the long-term operational and financial impacts of continuing the current model versus building permanent internal engineering capacity.

The attached business case concludes that transitioning routine infrastructure engineering services to an internal IT Systems Engineer provides substantially greater engineering capacity while maintaining comparable long-term costs and supporting the City's operational resilience.

Financial Impact

The proposed transition includes recruitment, onboarding, and a structured knowledge-transfer period. While first-year costs are higher because of transition activities, the long-term financial impact is comparable to the current contract model and is projected to result in lower five-year costs.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends authorizing recruitment for one IT Systems Engineer and implementation of the proposed transition plan.

Requested Council Action

Authorize recruitment for one IT Systems Engineer; implementation of the proposed transition plan, and transition from routine outsourced infrastructure engineering services following successful knowledge transfer.

STAFF CONTACT:

IT Director Mike Sullivan

Attachments:

1. Business_Case_Internal_IT_Engineering_Capacity_Public
2. Public_Session_Internal_IT_Engineering_Capacity

Business Case for Building Internal IT Engineering Capacity

Public-session analysis | Managed services transition and FTE recommendation

Public Session Version. Vendor names and sensitive technical detail have been generalized. This document should still be reviewed before external release for possible redaction under RCW 42.56.420(4) or other applicable exemptions.

Prepared by	IT Director
Audience	City Council, City Manager, Assistant City Manager
Context	Follow-up to July 14 Capacity & Resilience and Vulnerability & Compliance briefings
Estimated Hire Date	September 15, 2026

Executive Summary

Recommendation. Staff recommends that the City immediately begin recruitment for one IT Systems Engineer and transition away from routine outsourced managed infrastructure services following a structured onboarding and knowledge-transfer period.

This recommendation is a follow-up to the July 14 Council briefings on Capacity & Resilience and Vulnerability & Compliance risks. Those briefings identified a consistent operational theme: the City's technology environment has grown in complexity, but the available engineering capacity has not kept pace. The current managed-services model provides approximately 20 contracted engineering hours per month. That model has value, but it is not sufficient as the primary method for meeting the City's growing infrastructure, modernization, compliance, and resiliency needs.

Decision Point	Current Model	Proposed Model	Primary Finding
Available engineering capacity	240 contracted hours/year	1,700 productive hours/year	~7.1x more capacity
Five-year cost	\$952,746	\$918,766	\$33,980 lower over five years
Five-year cost per engineering hour	\$794	\$109	Substantially better capacity ROI
Operating model	Limited outsourced hours	Internal City engineering capability	More resilience and continuity

The financial model shows that the FTE option has higher first-year cost because of transition overlap and temporary vulnerability-scanning costs. However, over five years, the FTE option is projected to cost \$918,766, compared with \$952,746 for continuing the current managed-services model. That is a projected five-year savings of \$33,980 while increasing available engineering capacity by approximately 7.1x.

This position does not replace the need for a dedicated cybersecurity analyst. The IT Systems Engineer would improve cybersecurity outcomes where those responsibilities overlap with infrastructure engineering, including patching, secure configuration, lifecycle management, recovery readiness, and infrastructure-related compliance. It would not be the primary resource for reducing aged critical vulnerabilities, security monitoring, threat analysis, or broader cybersecurity program management.

Purpose and Background

This business case evaluates whether the City should continue purchasing limited outsourced managed infrastructure services or invest in permanent internal IT engineering capacity. It is intentionally focused on routine infrastructure engineering services and does not reopen prior vendor-selection decisions.

The July 14 briefings to Council framed two related concerns: first, the City's need for greater capacity and organizational resilience; and second, the City's need to reduce vulnerability and compliance risks. This recommendation addresses the infrastructure engineering capacity portion of those concerns.

The goal is not to eliminate all outside consulting. The goal is to stop relying on limited recurring managed-services hours for day-to-day infrastructure engineering work and instead retain outside expertise for specialized projects or escalation when it adds clear value.

Current State Assessment

The City currently purchases a block of managed infrastructure services from an outside provider. The current contract has expired and the City is operating month-to-month, with the ability to terminate routine managed services after a transition period. The arrangement provides approximately 22 contracted hours per month, but for conservative ROI purposes this analysis uses 20 hours per month, or 240 hours per year.

Current Managed-Services Model	Implication
Approximately 20 engineering hours per month used for analysis	Limited available capacity for a modern municipal IT environment
Primarily reactive infrastructure support	Less ability to perform proactive lifecycle, documentation, and resiliency work
Vendor-held operational knowledge	Less internal institutional knowledge and cross-training
Month-to-month contract posture	Low contractual risk for a planned transition
Ongoing vulnerability-scanning service remains temporarily needed	Requires a staged transition through July 2027

Financial Analysis

The model compares continuing the current managed-services arrangement against hiring one IT Systems Engineer beginning September 15, 2026, including a two-month overlap for onboarding and knowledge transfer. The FTE option also includes temporary vulnerability-scanning costs through July 2027, then a transition to an annual vulnerability-management subscription beginning August 2027.

Comparison Period	Continue Current Model	Hire FTE + Transition	FTE Savings / (Additional Cost)
1 Year	\$172,423	\$210,072	(\$37,649)
3 Years	\$543,563	\$548,035	(\$4,472)
5 Years	\$952,746	\$918,766	\$33,980

The first-year FTE option is more expensive because the model intentionally includes overlap between the new employee and the current provider, plus temporary vulnerability-scanning services during the transition. By the five-year horizon, the FTE option is projected to be lower cost while providing substantially more useful capacity.

Return on Investment: Engineering Capacity

Metric	Current Model	Internal IT Engineer	Result
Annual engineering capacity	240 hours	1,700 productive hours	~7.1x more capacity
Five-year engineering capacity	1,200 hours	8,429 hours	+7,229 hours
Five-year cost per available engineering hour	\$794	\$109	\$685 lower per hour
Primary operating value	Limited purchased hours	Permanent City capability	Capacity remains inside the City

The ROI case is the strongest part of this recommendation. The City is not simply comparing one contract to one employee. It is comparing a limited block of outsourced engineering hours to a permanent internal engineering capability that can be applied across infrastructure operations, project delivery, documentation, lifecycle management, disaster recovery, compliance support, and cross-training.

Capacity, Resilience, and Compliance Benefits

Benefit Area	Expected Improvement
Capacity	Significantly more engineering time available for infrastructure, server, cloud, ERP, documentation, and modernization work.
Resilience	Reduces dependency on limited outsourced hours and improves continuity of operations through internal ownership.
Cross-training	Creates more opportunity to cross-train existing staff and reduce key-person dependency.
Succession planning	Retains institutional knowledge and improves the City's ability to sustain operations during turnover or absences.
Infrastructure lifecycle	Improves patching, server lifecycle planning, platform upgrades, backup validation, and recovery readiness.
Compliance support	Improves infrastructure-focused support for requirements such as CJIS, secure configuration, documentation, and audit readiness.
Cybersecurity-adjacent work	Supports normal patching and infrastructure remediation, but does not replace the need for a dedicated cybersecurity analyst.

What This Recommendation Is Not

- This is not a recommendation to eliminate all specialized consulting or project-based vendor support.
- This is not a replacement for a future cybersecurity analyst request. That need remains separate and should be evaluated on its own merits.
- This is not based solely on first-year cost savings. The first year includes deliberate transition costs.
- This is not a recommendation to reduce cybersecurity investment. It is a recommendation to build stronger internal infrastructure engineering capacity.

Proposed Transition Plan

Phase	Target Timing	Action
1. Recruitment	Immediately	Post the IT Systems Engineer position as soon as administratively possible.
2. Selection and hire	Target September 15, 2026	Complete interviews, selection, HR processing, and onboarding.
3. Knowledge transfer	First 60 days	Operate in parallel with the current provider to transfer operational knowledge and validate support procedures.
4. Managed-services transition	After overlap period	Discontinue routine outsourced managed infrastructure services after structured handoff.
5. Interim vulnerability scanning	Through July 2027	Continue temporary vulnerability-scanning service during the transition period.
6. Long-term vulnerability-management subscription	Beginning August 2027	Transition to the lower-cost annual subscription model and manage infrastructure remediation internally where appropriate.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the City immediately begin recruitment for one IT Systems Engineer and transition away from routine outsourced managed infrastructure services following a structured onboarding and knowledge-transfer period. This recommendation is fiscally responsible, increases internal engineering capacity by approximately 7.1 times, supports the capacity and resilience needs presented to Council on July 14, and improves the City's ability to manage infrastructure lifecycle, documentation, cross-training, succession planning, and infrastructure-related compliance obligations.

The City should continue to use outside consulting for specialized projects, escalation, or short-term needs where it adds value. The long-term operating model, however, should shift routine infrastructure engineering from limited outsourced hours to permanent internal City capability.

Financial Assumptions

Assumption	Value
Estimated hire date	September 15, 2026
Starting salary	\$94,656; IT Engineer Step 3
Benefits load	35% of salary
COLA and step	3% COLA each January and 5% step each September until current top step is reached
Current managed-services cost	\$14,368.58/month, tax included
Managed-services escalation	5% annually
Managed-services hours	20 hours/month used for conservative ROI calculation
Transition overlap	Two months
Interim vulnerability scanning	\$5,146.25/month plus 8.2% tax through July 2027
Long-term vulnerability subscription	\$20,000/year plus 8.2% tax beginning August 2027, increasing 5% annually
FTE productive capacity	1,700 hours/year
Cybersecurity analyst	Not included in this business case

Public Records / Security Review Notice

This document has been prepared for public-session discussion and avoids unnecessary security-sensitive technical detail. However, it may still reference information related to the City's technology support model, infrastructure operations, staffing capacity, and cybersecurity-adjacent functions. Prior to release in response to a Public Records Act request, the document should be reviewed by the City's Public Records Officer, City Attorney, and Information Technology Department for potential redaction under RCW 42.56.420(4) and any other applicable exemption. Non-exempt portions should be released as required by law.

Transition from Routine Outsourced Infrastructure Services to an Internal IT Systems Engineer

Business Case for Council Consideration

Longview City Council

July 28, 2026

Evaluating the transition from a contracted infrastructure support model to a permanent internal engineering capability.

Why This Item Is Before Council

The Decision Before Council

Does the current outsourced infrastructure support model provide sufficient engineering capacity to meet the City's current and future needs?

Capacity & Resilience

Operational Flexibility

Infrastructure Lifecycle

This presentation evaluates whether building internal engineering capacity is the most effective long-term approach for supporting the City's technology infrastructure.

Current Infrastructure Support Model

Current model

**~20 hours/month
~240 hours/year**

**Month-to-month
60-day offboarding**

**Routine
infrastructure
engineering**

Operational Considerations

- Limited capacity for proactive lifecycle work
- Reduced time for documentation and cross-training
- Operational knowledge is shared
- Engineering capacity limited by contracted hours
- Less flexibility to address emerging priorities

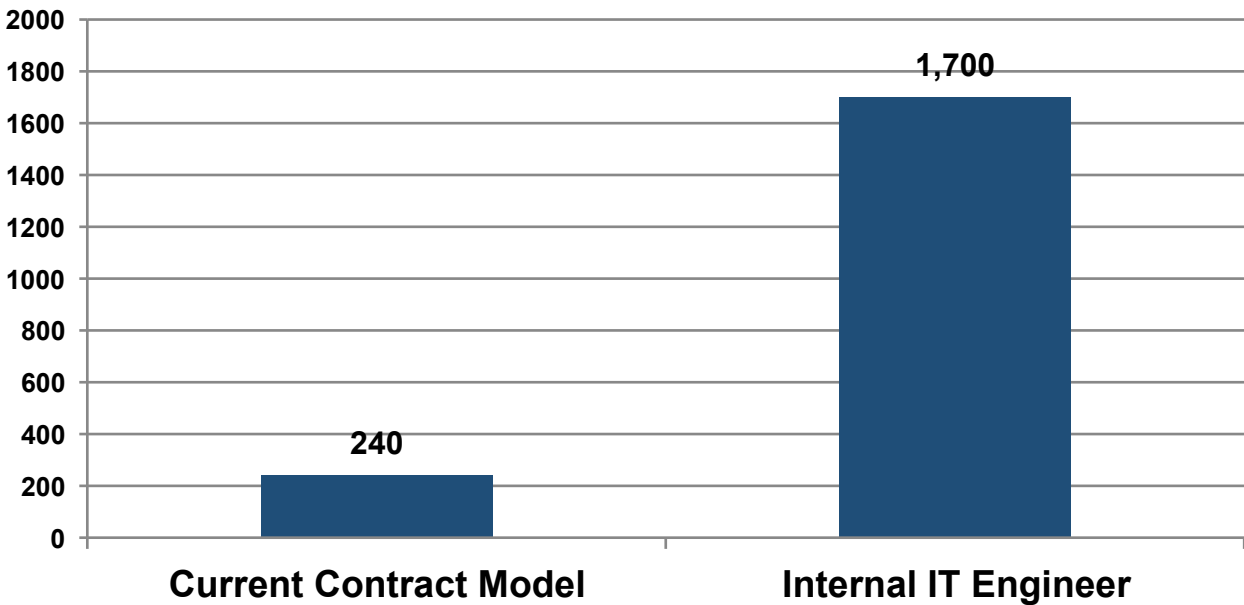
The current model provides value. The question is whether it provides sufficient engineering capacity to meet the City's evolving needs.

Engineering Capacity Comparison

Current Engineering Priorities

Server Lifecycle	Cloud / M365
ERP Support	Disaster Recovery
Patching	Documentation
Modernization	Infrastructure Planning

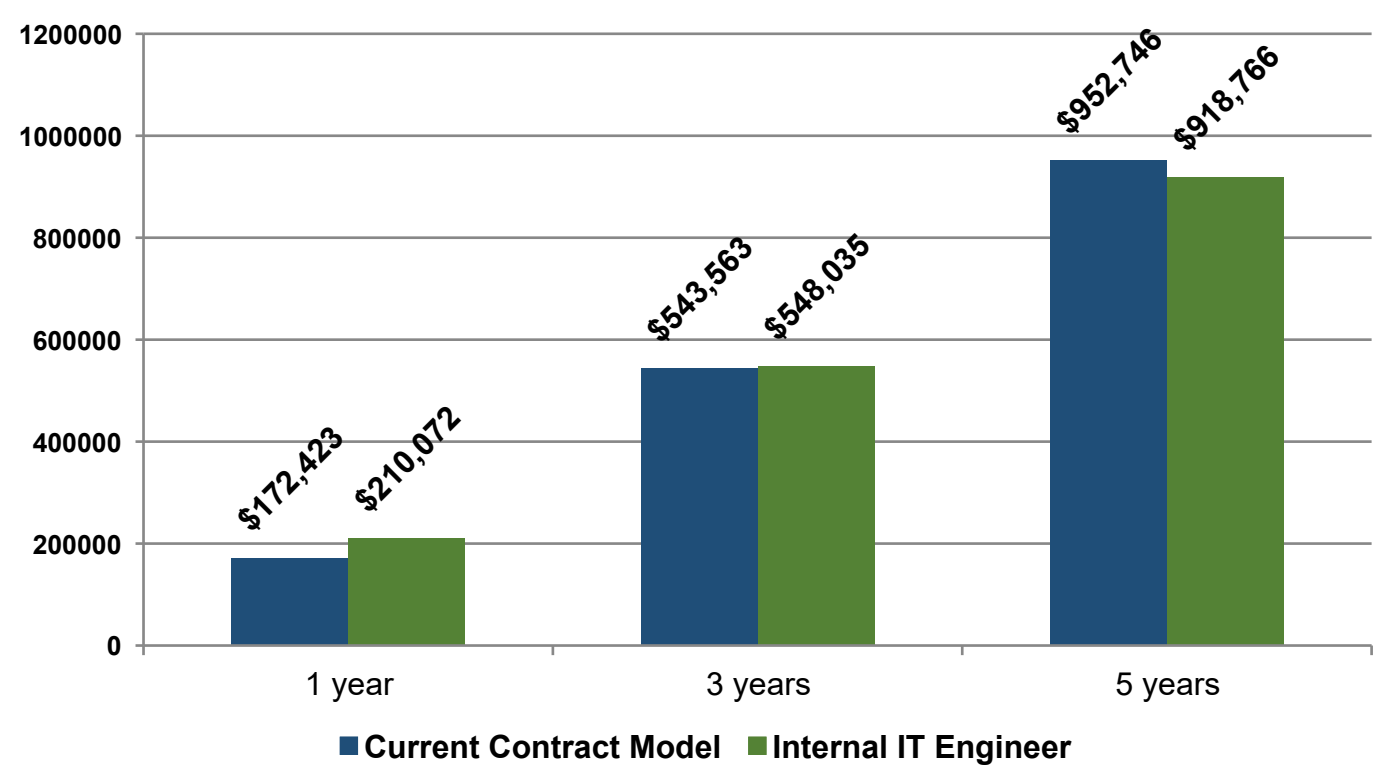
Annual Engineering Capacity



The proposed model provides approximately 7.1 times the annual engineering capacity of the current contract model, increasing the City's ability to support daily operations while advancing strategic technology initiatives.

Long-Term Financial Comparison

Cumulative Cost Comparison



Year 1 includes onboarding and transition costs.

Five-year costs are comparable while providing 7.1 times the engineering capacity.

Comparable long-term investment that provides permanent internal engineering capability.

The higher first-year cost reflects recruitment, onboarding, and transition activities. Long-term costs converge as the internal staffing model replaces contracted engineering services.

Investment Outcome

The primary ROI is not just lower cost. It is dramatically more usable engineering capacity.

Current Model

240 hours/year
Fixed contracted capacity

Internal IT Engineer

1,700 hours/year
Flexible internal capacity

Investment Outcome

7.1x total capacity
Comparable long-term
investment

The proposal converts a contracted service into a permanent internal engineering capability that strengthens the City's long-term operational resilience.

What Additional Engineering Capacity Enables

Engineering Benefits

- Proactive infrastructure lifecycle management
- Improved documentation and cross-training
- Enhanced backup, recovery, and continuity planning
- Greater support for ERP and strategic initiatives

Organizational Benefits

- Internal engineering knowledge retained within the City
- Greater flexibility to respond to changing priorities
- Reduced dependence on outsourced engineering services
- Improved resilience and succession planning

The proposed IT Systems Engineer expands the City's internal engineering capability while improving long-term organizational resilience.

Scope of the Recommendation

This recommendation includes

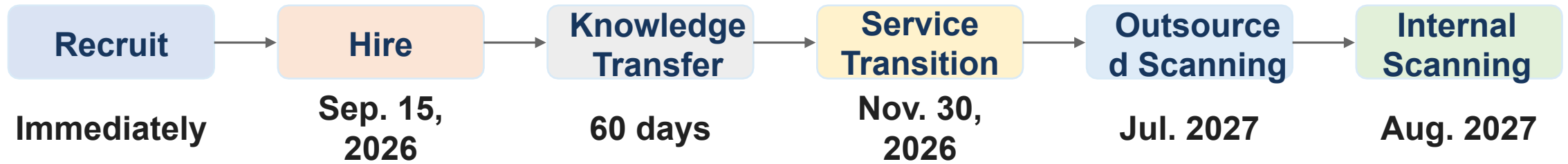
- Building internal infrastructure engineering capacity
- Improving operational resilience and continuity
- Retaining more technical knowledge within the City
- Transitioning routine infrastructure work to an internal model

This recommendation does not include

- Eliminating all outside consulting
- Claiming immediate first-year savings
- Ending the use of specialized tools or technology platforms
- Expanding beyond routine infrastructure engineering

The strategy is to perform routine infrastructure engineering internally while purchasing specialized expertise or tools only where they provide distinct value.

Transition plan



- Begin recruitment immediately
- Use two-month overlap for onboarding and knowledge transfer
- Transition routine infrastructure services following knowledge transfer
- Continue interim vulnerability scanning until the annual subscription begins.

The transition is designed to maintain operational continuity while minimizing risk to City services.

Recommendation and Requested Action

Staff Recommendation

Authorize immediate recruitment for one IT Systems Engineer and transition routine outsourced infrastructure engineering services to an internal staffing model following a structured onboarding and knowledge-transfer period.

Requested Council Action

- Authorize recruitment for one IT Systems Engineer
- Authorize implementation of the transition plan
- Authorize discontinuation of routine outsourced managed infrastructure services following successful knowledge transfer

This recommendation builds permanent internal engineering capability while maintaining operational continuity and supporting the City's long-term strategic priorities.



City of Longview

Agenda Summary

ORDINANCE NO. 3580 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, WASHINGTON AMENDING CHAPTERS 11.18 AND 11.60 RELATED TO PARKING REGULATIONS; REPEALING CHAPTERS 11.44, 11.50, 11.58, 11.62, AND 11.63; AND ESTABLISHING A NEW CHAPTER 11.61, OFF-STREET AND ON-STREET PARKING REGULATIONS

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

HOLD THE PUBLIC HEARING AND MOTION TO APPROVAL ORDINANCE NO. 3580

COUNCIL INITIATIVE ADDRESSED:

Advancing economic opportunity and community vitality
Strengthening governance, communication, and engagement

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: REQUIRED

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The proposed amendments would simplify and update parking regulations in the city, including specific emphasis on time limits in the downtown core. Updated parking regulations would include both on-street parking and off-street parking regulations in city-owned or operated public parking lots.

The proposed amendments would repeal LMC Chapters 11.44, 11.50, 11.58, 11.62, 11.63, and 11.65 and consolidate the provisions from these chapters into a single unified chapter, to be called LMC 11.61 On-Street and Off-Street Parking Regulations, containing the sweep of on-street and off-street parking regulations.

General parking provisions city-wide remain substantially the same, with a number of consistency updates for more uniform use and application, including providing for the movement of parking fines into a parking fine schedule to be adopted by separate resolution.

Uniform downtown on-street and off-street parking provisions will be updated for the downtown core in accordance with the work of the SPOTS group, Downtown Advisory Committee, and City Council direction received during previous presentations.

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Attachments:

1. ORDINANCE NO 3580
2. Exhibit A - LMC 11.18 Immobilization of Vehicles (Strikeout)
3. Exhibit B - LMC 11.60 Off-Street Parking Facilities (Strikeout)
4. Exhibit C - LMC 11.61 On-Street and Off-Street Parking Regulations (Clean)
5. Exhibit D - LMC 11-1.18 Immobilization of Vehicles (Clean)
6. Exhibit E - LMC 11.60 Off-Street Parking Facilities (Clean)
7. Exhibit F - Downtow Parking Map

ORDINANCE NO. 3580

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, WASHINGTON AMENDING CHAPTERS 11.18 AND 11.60 RELATED TO PARKING REGULATIONS; REPEALING CHAPTERS 11.44, 11.50, 11.58, 11.62, 11.63, AND 11.65; AND ESTABLISHING A NEW CHAPTER 11.61, OFF-STREET AND ON-STREET PARKING REGULATIONS.

WHEREAS, the City of Longview has adopted parking regulations over many decades, resulting in parking requirements being dispersed among multiple chapters of the Longview Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, the current organization of the City's parking regulations has become difficult for residents, businesses, visitors, and City staff to locate, interpret, administer, and enforce due to the fragmentation of related provisions throughout Title 11 of the Longview Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, the City has undertaken a comprehensive review of its parking regulations to improve organization, readability, consistency, and ease of administration while maintaining the City's ability to effectively manage both on-street and off-street parking; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments repeal Chapters 11.44, 11.50, 11.58, 11.62, 11.63, and 11.65 of the Longview Municipal Code and consolidate the applicable provisions into a new Chapter 11.61, entitled "On-Street and Off-Street Parking Regulations," thereby creating a single, unified chapter containing the City's general parking regulations; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments generally preserve the City's existing parking regulations while updating terminology, eliminating redundant provisions, correcting inconsistencies, improving code organization, and standardizing language to promote consistent interpretation and administration; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments relocate parking fines from the municipal code into a Parking Fine Schedule to be adopted by separate resolution of the City Council, thereby allowing future adjustments to penalties through resolution without requiring amendments to the Longview Municipal Code while maintaining transparency and legislative oversight; and

WHEREAS, the City has engaged in an extensive public process regarding downtown parking through the work of the Strategic Parking and Transportation Solutions (SPOTS) Group, the Downtown Advisory Committee, public outreach efforts, and multiple City Council work sessions over several years; and

WHEREAS, those efforts identified the need for a more consistent, understandable, and user-friendly parking program that balances the needs of downtown businesses, employees, residents, property owners, and visitors while encouraging the efficient use and turnover of convenient on-street parking spaces; and

WHEREAS, the updated downtown parking regulations are intended to improve customer access to businesses, encourage turnover of prime on-street parking spaces, provide greater flexibility in the management of public parking facilities, improve consistency between on-street and off-street parking regulations, and support continued economic vitality and reinvestment within the downtown core; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that consolidating the City's parking regulations into a single chapter will significantly improve public understanding of the parking code, reduce administrative complexity, improve enforcement consistency, and provide a clearer and more effective framework for the administration of the City's parking system; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further finds that these amendments implement prior policy direction of the City Council regarding downtown parking management while preserving the City's ability to respond to future parking needs through efficient administration of the municipal code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that adoption of this ordinance promotes the public health, safety, convenience, and welfare of the citizens of the City of Longview.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Longview Municipal Code Chapter 11.18 is hereby amended as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Longview Municipal Code Chapter 11.60 is hereby amended as set forth in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 3. Longview Municipal Code Chapters 11.44, 11.50, 11.58, 11.62, 11.63, and 11.65 are hereby repealed in their entirety.

Section 4. A new Chapter 11.61, entitled "On-Street and Off-Street Parking Regulations," is hereby established as set forth in Exhibit C attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 5. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or provision of this ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance, is held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 6. That the City of Longview Clerk is hereby ordered and directed to cause this ordinance to be published.

Section 7. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect forty-five (45) days after its passage, approval, and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the City Council of Longview, WA and approved this _____ day of _____, 2026.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Charlotte Archer, City Attorney

Exhibits:

Exhibit A: Amended LMC 11.18 (Strikeout)

Exhibit B: Amended LMC 11.60 (Strikeout)

Exhibit C: New Chapter LMC 11.61

Exhibit D: Amended LMC 11.18 (Clean)

Exhibit E: Amended LMC 11.60 (Clean)

Exhibit F: Downtown Parking Map

CHAPTER 11.18 IMMOBILIZATION OF VEHICLES

§ 11.18.030. Declaration of public nuisance.

Any vehicle for which three or more notices of parking infraction have been issued under the provisions of Chapters ~~11.61, 11.44, 11.50,~~ 11.56, ~~and/or 11.60, 11.62, and/or 11.63~~ LMC and for which there has been no response and payment of the penalties have not been paid shall be considered a public nuisance 14 days after the mailing of the notice provided for in LMC § 11.18.020 if payment is not made as directed in said notice. Said vehicle shall be considered a public nuisance in that said vehicle has inhibited the orderly movement of vehicles into parking spaces on the streets and/or into the public parking facilities of the city, created an obstruction to traffic, and restricted public access to limited parking spaces and created a disincentive to others to obey the parking regulations of the city. (Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.040. Immobilization of vehicles constituting public nuisances.

Any vehicle constituting a public nuisance under the provisions of LMC § 11.18.030 that is found parked on the streets or in public parking facilities of the city may be immobilized by a parking control officer or a police officer of the city. (Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.050. Procedure for immobilization of vehicles.

- (1) Any law enforcement officer or parking control officer of the city may temporarily immobilize any vehicle constituting a public nuisance under LMC § 11.18.040 by installing on or attaching to such vehicle a device designed to restrict the normal movement of such vehicle.
- (2) At the time that such device is installed or attached, there shall be affixed to such vehicle a notice of immobilization containing the following information:
 - (a) The date and time that the notice of immobilization was affixed;
 - (b) The name of the parking control officer or police officer who installed or attached such device;
 - (c) A statement that the vehicle constitutes a public nuisance under LMC § 11.18.030 and has been immobilized by the city of Longview;
 - (d) A statement that the vehicle may be released from such immobilization upon payment in full of all unpaid penalties and penalty increases resulting from the issuance of notices of parking infraction for which responses have not been made and for which payment has not been made, plus the additional sum of ~~\$50.00~~the immobilization fee;
 - (e) A statement that if the registered owner of the vehicle wants to contest the immobilization, the registered owner may file a petition for relief from the failure to respond to notices of parking infraction within 10 days of the date of

immobilization and may obtain a release of the immobilized vehicle by posting a cash bond in an amount that is equal to all outstanding penalties and immobilization fee;

- (f) A statement that unless subsections (2)(d) or (e) are performed within 24 hours of the date and time of such notice, the vehicle will be placed in the custody of a registered tow truck operator and impounded until payment is made, including the cost of towing and impounding;
 - (g) A warning that removing or attempting to remove the immobilization device before release is obtained is unlawful and may damage the vehicle;
 - (h) The address and telephone number and office hours where additional information can be obtained, where payment shall be made, and where arrangements can be made for release of the immobilization device.
- (3) The parking restrictions otherwise applicable shall not apply to any vehicle during the time of immobilization.
(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.060. Immobilization fee.

The registered owner of any vehicle immobilized pursuant to this chapter shall be assessed an immobilization fee a \$50.00 fee as established in the Longview Police Department Parking Fines Schedule as adopted by city council resolution to cover the cost of immobilization, and said fee shall be in addition to any other penalties under this code.

(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.070. Release from immobilization.

Except for the purpose of impoundment as provided in this chapter, no vehicle immobilized pursuant to this chapter shall be released from the device until payment of the total of all unpaid parking violation penalties, plus the ~~\$50.00~~ immobilization fee, or the posting of a cash deposit bond in an amount that is equal to the sum of said penalties and fee as directed by the chief of police or his designee.

(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.080. Petition for relief from immobilization or impoundment.

Any person desiring to contest an immobilization or impoundment of a vehicle under this chapter may serve upon the city and file with the Longview municipal court a petition for relief within 10 days of the date of thereof. Any person desiring to contest an impoundment subsequent to immobilization may do so pursuant to the provisions of LMC § 11.16.060. The costs of filing and serving any petitions under this section shall be paid by the party seeking relief just as in other civil proceedings.

(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.090. Cash bond forfeiture.

Any person posting a cash bond pursuant to LMC § 11.18.070 shall be deemed to have

forfeited the cash bond to the city if no petition for relief is filed with the Longview municipal court within 10 days following the date of the immobilization. Notice of the right of the city to forfeit the cash bond shall either be given in person to the party posting the bond or mailed to their last known address.
(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.100. Impoundment following immobilization.

A vehicle that is immobilized and not released, as provided in LMC § 11.18.070, within 24 hours of such immobilization, shall be towed away by a registered tow truck operator and impounded at the cost of the registered owner. Said vehicle shall not be released until full payment of all unpaid parking violation penalties, plus the ~~\$50.00~~ immobilization fee together with all towing and storage costs.
(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.110. Disposition of impounded vehicles.

All vehicles impounded pursuant to this chapter and not redeemed or released from such impoundment shall be subject to the provisions of Chapter 11.16 LMC.
(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.120. Unpaid penalties remaining after disposal of impounded vehicle.

In the event that a registered tow truck operator disposes of a vehicle impounded pursuant to this chapter to recover the costs of towing and storage as provided by Chapter 46.55 RCW, any unpaid penalties assessed against the registered owner of such vehicle shall not be discharged, and shall remain an obligation owing by such registered owner to the city.
(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.140. Unauthorized removal of immobilization device.

It is a misdemeanor for any person other than a parking control officer or a police officer of the city to remove or attempt to remove an immobilization device that has been placed on a vehicle pursuant to this chapter, or to move an immobilized vehicle without such removal.
(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.010. Applicability.

The provisions of this chapter shall be applicable to parking infractions as established and set forth in Chapters ~~11.44, 11.50,~~ 11.56, 11.60, ~~11.61 11.62~~ and ~~11.63~~ LMC.
(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.020. Failure to comply with notice of parking infraction – Notice to registered owner.

If no response is made to a notice of parking infraction within 15 days after the issuance thereof, and if there are two or more additional notices of parking infraction to which there have been no response and for which the penalties have not been paid, the city shall mail a notice to the registered owner of the vehicle to which the notice of parking infraction was affixed. Such notice shall be mailed to the address of the registered owner as shown by the records of the Department of Licensing of the state in which such vehicle is licensed, and shall contain the following:

- (1) The license number of the vehicle;
 - (2) The name of the registered owner of the vehicle as shown by the records of the Department of Licensing or other appropriate agency of the state in which such vehicle is licensed;
 - (3) The date and nature of all notices of parking infraction applicable to such vehicle to which no response has been made and for which the penalties have not been paid;
 - (4) A statement of the amount of all unpaid penalties imposed by reason of such notices of parking infractions together with any increases in such penalties arising under LMC § ~~11.61 11.50.080, § 11.58.010 and § 11.62.040;~~
 - (5) A statement that the vehicle will be considered to be a public nuisance unless all outstanding unpaid penalties and increases thereof occasioned by the issuance of notices of parking infraction are paid within 14 days of such notice;
 - (6) A statement that the vehicle, as a public nuisance, will be subject to immobilization and subsequent impoundment pursuant to this chapter, unless such payment is so made;
 - (7) The address and telephone number where additional information may be obtained.
- (Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

CHAPTER 11.60
OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES¹

§ 11.60.010. Council findings.

The city council finds and declares as follows:

- (1) That all economic and physical surveys necessary in determining the need, the practicability, and the feasibility necessary to the establishment of off-street parking facilities have been made, are a part of the official record of the hearing held before the council on July 23, 1970, and are on file in the office of the city clerk;
- (2) That a comprehensive plan for the establishment of said off-street parking facilities adequate for such purpose has been prepared and is likewise a part of the official records of said hearing and is on file in the office of the city clerk;
- (3) That a public hearing, in accordance with the provisions of RCW 35.86.050, has been duly held at 7:30 p.m., July 23, 1970, in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Longview, Washington, on said comprehensive plan and the minutes of said hearing also constitute a part of the official record thereof;
- (4) That there is a definite need for off-street parking facilities within the downtown business district area of the city. That such facilities should include open surface parking as well as multistory parking facilities, and that said facilities should be constructed on the real property described in LMC § 11.60.020;
- (5) That the present traffic conditions in the downtown business area of the city create serious traffic congestion and a danger to the public safety and the construction of the off-street parking facilities hereinabove referred to will alleviate such traffic congestion.

(Ord. 1482 § 1, 1970)

§ 11.60.020. Plan adopted.

The following plan for the acquisition, construction and maintenance by the city of off-street parking facilities is found and declared to be necessary for public safety, and to be for the public use, and is hereby accepted and adopted:

- (1) The city shall acquire the following described real property located in the city:

Lots 1 to 8, inclusive, Block 68, Plat of Longview No. 4.

Lots 5 to 8, inclusive, Block 69, Plat of Longview No. 4.

Lots 9 to 16, inclusive, Block 68, Plat of Longview No. 2.

Lots 9 to 12, inclusive, Block 69, Plat of Longview No. 2.

Lots 12 to 20, inclusive, Block 70, Plat of Longview No. 2.

1. For the statutory provisions regarding the development of off-street parking by cities, see Chapters 35.86 and 35A.86 RCW; for statutory provisions granting code cities all the powers of any city of any class, see RCW 35A.21.161.

Lots 3 to 8, inclusive, Block 79, Plat of Longview No. 2.

Lots 1 to 8, inclusive, Block 80, Plat of Longview No. 2.

Lots 1 to 6, inclusive, Block 81, Plat of Longview No. 2.

Lots 1 to 5, inclusive, Block 82, Plat of Longview No. 2.

Lots 11 to 16, inclusive, Block 85, Plat of Longview No. 2.

Lots 9 to 15, inclusive, Block 86, Plat of Longview No. 2.

Lots 12 to 17, inclusive, Block 87, Plat of Longview No. 2.

- (2) The city shall construct and install such surface parking areas and multilevel parking structures thereon as are set forth in the comprehensive off-street parking plan on file in the office of the city clerk. Such plan, however, shall be subject to such changes in detail not affecting the main general features thereof as shall be found necessary and desirable by the city council.
- (3) The city shall proceed to carry out the plan specified herein at such time or times as found necessary and advisable, and to the best interests of the city and its inhabitants.
(Ord. 1482 § 2, 1970)

§ 11.60.030. Financing.

The following plan for the financing of the off-street parking facilities described herein is found to be feasible and economically sound, and such plan for financing is adopted:

- (1) The estimated cost of the acquisition, construction and installation of the off-street parking facilities provided for in LMC § 11.60.010 through § 11.60.040, including all expenses incidental thereto, is hereby declared to be as near as may be the sum of \$4,500,000;
- (2) The cost of the off-street parking facilities provided in LMC § 11.60.010 through § 11.60.040 shall be paid from the proceeds of sale of revenue bonds, hereby authorized to be issued by the city in the principal amount of \$4,500,000;
- (3) Such revenue bonds shall be payable from parking revenues and from assessments in one or more utility local improvement districts to be hereafter created. The assessments levied and the amounts derived therefrom shall be for the sole purpose of payment into a revenue bond fund to be hereafter created by ordinance of the city council for the payment of such revenue bonds.

The exact date, form, terms, maturities, redemption rights and covenants of such revenue bonds shall be as hereafter fixed by ordinance of the city council.
(Ord. 1482 § 3, 1970)

§ 11.60.040. Supervision – Fees.

The city shall, through the department of public works, operate, maintain and supervise

the off-street parking facilities to be constructed in accordance with LMC § 11.60.010 through § 11.60.040, and may establish a reasonable and fair charge for the parking of motor vehicles ~~shall hereafter be established~~ by resolution of the city council. (Ord. 1482 § 4, 1970)

§ 11.60.050. Areas outside comprehensive parking plan.

(1) Off-street parking lots with regulated parking shall be established upon the following described real property, outside the area covered by the comprehensive off-street parking plan, which is owned or leased by the city to provide off-street parking space and facilities for motor vehicles within the city; the real property upon which said parking lots are to be constructed is located within the city of Longview, Cowlitz County, Washington, and is more particularly described as follows:

(a) Properties owned:

- (i) Lots 7 and 8, Block 111, Longview No. 1, according to the plat thereof on file in the office of the county auditor,
- (ii) Lot 8 and the southeasterly one-half of Lot 9, Block 112, Longview No. 11, according to the plat thereof on file in the office of the county auditor.

(b) Properties leased:

- (i) Lots 1, 2, and 3, Block 98, Longview No. 2, according to the plat thereof on file in the office of the county auditor,
- (ii) Lot 14, and the southerly 30 feet of Lot 15, Block 79, Longview No. 2, according to the plat thereof on file in the office of the county auditor,

(2) The off-street parking facilities herein created and established shall be operated by the city and the management and operation thereof shall be conducted under the direction of the city manager. To facilitate management of these lots, the city manager is authorized to provide for the execution of rental agreements with renters of these parking spaces.

~~(3) The method of operation of the off-street parking facilities herein created and established shall be as follows:~~

~~(a) Spaces within the off-street parking facilities herein created shall be rented on a monthly basis taking into consideration the availability of other nearby parking facilities and the demand for permanent parking. The monthly rental amount shall be determined by resolution of the city council. To facilitate this provision, the city manager is authorized to provide for the issuance and execution of rental agreements with renters of parking spaces;~~

~~(b) For a parking space within the herein created off-street parking facilities, not available for rent on a monthly basis, there shall be installed a parking meter, or such other parking control device, as may be approved. Parking charge shall be made as approved by resolution of the city council.~~

(Ord. 1579 §§ 1 – 3, 1972; Ord. 2050 § 1, 1981)

§ 11.60.060. Application of provisions of Chapter ~~11.62~~11.61 LMC.

Off-street parking facilities owned and/or operated by the city, ~~within the central area, bounded by 16th Avenue, the alley east of 12th Avenue, Washington Way and Florida Street, and not rented on a monthly basis or equipped with parking meters, shall are be~~ subject to the provisions of Chapter ~~11.62~~11.61 LMC.

(Ord. 1760 § 3, 1975; Ord. 2139 § 4, 1983; Ord. 2819 § 8, 2001)

§ 11.60.070. Repealed.

Repealed by Ord. 2819.

(Ord. 1760 § 4, 1975; Ord. 2139 § 4, 1983; Ord. 2755 § 5, 1999)

§ 11.60.080. Records.

~~Copies of all notices attached to vehicles pursuant to LMC § 11.60.070 shall be delivered to the Longview police department. The police department shall keep an accurate record of all such notices, together with the location, date and time of all overtime parking within off-street parking facilities of the city, the make and the state license number of vehicles to which such notices have been attached, and any other facts which may contribute to an understanding of the circumstances attending such overtime parking.~~

(Ord. 1760 § 5, 1975; Ord. 2755 § 6, 1999)

§ 11.60.090. Repealed.

Repealed by Ord. 2819.

(Ord. 1760 § 6, 1975)

LMC 11.61

On-Street and Off-Street Parking Regulations

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11.61.010 Purpose

The provisions of this chapter regulate parking, standing and stopping of vehicles upon streets and ways open to the public, and within city owned or operated public parking lots within the city of Longview. Pursuant to Chapter 11.02 LMC, the city has adopted by reference sections of certain state statutes, including sections of the model traffic ordinance, which provide for the regulation of parking, stopping or standing of vehicles in addition to the provisions of this chapter.

The city manager or their designee may impose time and usage limits, including but not limited to hours and days of the week, or parking limitations for use by a city-owned facilities or departments, when such limits shall be effective upon parking in any portion of any street or city-owned or operated off-street parking facility. The city manager, in coordination with the city engineer, shall provide for the posting of signs giving notice of such time limits and special restrictions. In the absence of signs giving notice of such special restrictions, the general provisions of the traffic code shall govern.

The city council, by resolution, is authorized to establish bus stops, bus stands, and taxicab stands on such public streets, in such places, and in such number as determined to be of the greatest benefit and convenience to the public, and every such bus stop, bus stand or taxicab stand shall be designated by appropriate signs

11.61.020 Parking Restricted – General

General parking restrictions are adopted to regulate parking with respect to common concerns found on city streets and ways and are generally applied. General parking restrictions include, but are not limited to, parking setback distances from driveways, intersections, fire hydrants, crosswalks, stop signs, yield signs, signals, and railroad crossings. General parking restrictions also prohibit the parking of any vehicle on a sidewalk, crosswalk, within an intersection, on a bridge, on railroad tracks, or in roadway medians. General parking restrictions are found within the adopted model traffic ordinance, LMC Chapter 11.02.

11.61.030 Parking Restricted – On-Street

(1) Prohibited Parking. It is a civil infraction to park or stand a motor vehicle in violation of the following parking prohibitions:

- (a) Curb is red, which shall mean no parking at any time due to fire lane;
- (b) Curb is yellow, which shall mean no parking due to delivery lane or other parking restriction;
- (c) Any area marked by City of Longview placed signs as “No Parking”;
- (d) Any area marked with City of Longview placed signs that identifies a time limitation or modifies parking provisions otherwise established in LMC.
- (e) Any area marked with a temporary sign placed by the City of Longview or a private contractor, when working under the authority of a City permit, and who has been authorized to place such signs.

(2) In addition to time limits otherwise set forth in this code, whether or not posted upon streets, it is unlawful to park or stand any motor vehicle or trailer in one place upon a city street within the city limits of Longview for a time period exceeding 72 consecutive hours.

- (3) Time limit zones. No person having control over a vehicle may park such vehicle beyond the time limit permitted by official signs.
- (4) Narrow streets. The city traffic engineer is authorized to erect signs indicating no parking upon both sides of a street when the width of the improved roadway does not exceed 20 feet, or upon one side of a street as indicated by such signs when the width of the improved roadway is between 20 and 29 feet.
- (5) Congested/hazardous areas. The city traffic engineer is authorized to determine and designate by proper signs places not exceeding 100 feet in length in which the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles would create an especially hazardous condition or would cause unusual delay to traffic.
- (6) Prohibited purposes. No person shall park any vehicle, including utility trailers, camping trailers, travel trailers, motor-homes, mobile homes, campers, boats or recreational vehicles, or automobiles, trucks or other vehicles upon a street, a publicly owned or controlled parking facility, or upon other public property within the city limits of Longview for the purpose of:
- (a) Storing, repairing, or rehabilitating any inoperative vehicle, except repairs, necessitated by an emergency, which can be accomplished within a single 24-hour period.
 - (b) Habitation in a vehicle or occupying a vehicle for residential purposes.
- (7) Chain Parking. No person having control over a vehicle may park such vehicle beyond the time limit permitted by official signs or the provisions of LMC 11.61.30. Where a time limit is established by official signs or the provisions of LMC 11.61.030, no person having control over a vehicle may re-park that vehicle on either side of the same street in order to extend the vehicle's parking time beyond the time limits established. For purposes of this section, a vehicle shall be deemed to be re-parked and in violation of this section despite any movement of the vehicle unless the vehicle is moved to a different block of the street, or to a street with a different street name than the street the vehicle was originally parked upon.
- (6) Stopping, standing, or parking. In addition to provisions of this section and the Washington Model Traffic Ordinance adopted by Chapters 11.02 LMC, no person may park or leave any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, upon the traveled portion of the roadway in such a manner as to block or obstruct the flow of vehicular traffic in travel lanes or bike lanes.

(a) This section does not apply to the driver of any vehicle which is disabled in such a manner and to such extent that it is impossible to avoid stopping and temporarily leaving the vehicle in such a position. The driver shall nonetheless arrange for the prompt removal of the vehicle as required by subsection (c) of this section.

(b) this section does not apply to the driver of a public transit vehicle who temporarily stops the vehicle upon the roadway for the purpose of and while actually engaged in receiving or discharging passengers at a marked transit vehicle stop zone, or to the driver of a vehicle when actually engaged in the collection of solid waste, recyclables, or yard waste under authority of the city, so long as the vehicle is not parked or left for a longer time than reasonably necessary.

(c) It is unlawful for the operator of a vehicle to leave the vehicle unattended within the limits of the roadway unless the operator of the vehicle arranges for the prompt removal of the vehicle. This includes commercial service delivery vehicles where no physical off-street parking is available within reasonable distance to point of delivery for local businesses or residents.

11.61.033 Parking Restrictions – Alleys

No person may stop, park or leave standing any vehicle, whether attended or unattended in a manner that blocks or impedes passage in any alley open for use in the city except for the following purposes:

(1) The expeditious loading and unloading of goods, and then in no case shall the stop for loading or unloading exceed 30 minutes;

(2) The pick-up or discharge of passengers, and then in no case shall the stop for passenger pick-up or discharge exceed five minutes;

(3) The performance of construction or repair service to adjacent property, and then in no case shall the stop for the rendering of such service to adjacent property exceed one hour except upon necessity and with the written permission of the Longview police department.

(4) Any vehicle that is stopped, parked or left standing in any alley as provided herein shall not block passage in the alley for more than 30 minutes, and shall be promptly removed to accommodate emergency vehicles responding to an emergency call.

11.61.035 Parking Time Restriction – Downtown Core

In order to provide clarity and certainty regarding parking time limits in the downtown core, the city has identified the following specific time limitations in the downtown core area. For the purposes of this chapter, the downtown core is defined as those portions of 12th Avenue, Commerce Avenue, and 14th Avenue between Washington Way and Florida Street; and those portions of Vandercook Way, Maple Street, Broadway Street, Hudson Street, Hemlock Street, and Florida Street between 11th Avenue and 15th Avenue. Appropriate signage shall be maintained in these areas reflecting the specific time limitations identified in this section.

Except as provided in LMC 11.61.055 , no person shall park a motor vehicle for more than the following specified time limitation in the following areas:

(1) Three hours in the following locations:

- (a) 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500, and 1600 blocks of Commerce Avenue between Florida Street and Washington Way;
- (b) 1100, 1200, 1300, and 1400 blocks of 14th Avenue between Florida Street and Maple Street;
- (c) 1200 and 1300 blocks of Maple Street between 12th and 14th Avenues;
- (d) 1200 and 1300 blocks of Broadway Street between 12th and 14th Avenues;
- (e) 1200 and 1300 blocks of Hudson Street between 12th and 14th Avenues;
- (f) 1200 and 1300 blocks of Hemlock Street between 12th and 14th Avenues.

(2) Ten hours in the following locations:

- (a) 1000, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500, and 1600 blocks of 12th Avenue between Fir Street and Washington Way;
- (b) 1000 block of Commerce Avenue between Fir Street and Florida Street;
- (c) 1000 block of 14th Avenue between Fir Street and Florida Street;
- (d) 1100, 1200, and 1300 block of Vandercook Way between 11th Avenue and Maple Street;
- (e) 1100 block of Maple Street between 11th Avenue and 12th Avenue; and the 1400

block of Maple Street between 14th Avenue and 15th Avenue;

(f) 1100 block of Broadway Street between 11th Avenue and 12th Avenue; and the 1400 block of Broadway Street between 14th Avenue and 15th Avenue

(g) 1100 block of Hudson Street between 11th Avenue and 12th Avenue; and the 1400 block of Hudson Street between 14th Avenue and 15th Avenue

(h) 1100 block of Hemlock Street between 11th Avenue and 12th Avenue; and the 1400 block of Hemlock Street between 14th Avenue and 15th Avenue

(i) 1100, 1200, 1300, and 1400 block of Florida Street between 11th Avenue and 15th Avenue Street.

11.61.045 Off-Street Parking on Municipal Property

In order to reduce congestion, to regulate the orderly flow of traffic, and to provide for public safety, the city has acquired the ownership or control of certain real property, including those parking lots identified in Chapter 11.60 LMC, which it maintains and/or operates for the off-street parking of motor vehicles. The provisions of this section applies to all city-owned and operated off-street parking facilities within the city limits of Longview.

(1) Signs. Appropriate signs shall be posted at all entrances to off-street parking facilities of the city. The signs shall reasonably inform the public of parking time limitations and/or other restrictions or regulations enacted herein. Neither failure of a person to observe any sign nor the nonexistence of a sign in a particular location shall be a defense to any violation of LMC Chapter 11.

(2) Time Limitations. Unless otherwise indicated by City of Longview-placed sign or a valid residential or special parking permit issued pursuant to LMC 11.61.050 or 11.61.055, it is unlawful to park or stand any motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, or trailer in a city owned or operated off-street parking lot for a time period exceeding 72 consecutive hours.

11.61.047 Impoundment and Immobilization

(1) A motor vehicle parked in violation of this chapter and subject to impoundment may be impounded in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 11.16 LMC and the provisions of Chapter [46.55](#) RCW. The police department of the city shall have the authority to request such impoundment from on-street and off-street parking facilities and to provide a signed authorization to the registered tow truck operator directing such

impounding. In addition to the other provisions of this chapter, a law enforcement officer may impound a vehicle with an expired registration of more than 45 days and provide for its prompt removal to a place of safety, when such vehicle is parked in a city owned public off-street parking facility.

- (2) A motor vehicle parked in violation of this chapter and subject to immobilization may be immobilized in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 11.18 LMC.

11.61.050 Downtown Core Off-Street Residential Parking Permits

Off-Street residential parking permits may be sold and issued to owners or operators of motor vehicles for the parking of motor vehicles in the off-street parking facilities located within the downtown core area in excess of the 72-hour time limitations. Residential parking permits shall be issued only to those currently residing in the downtown core area of the city, and only for those off-street parking facilities located within the downtown area. For the purposes of this code section, the downtown core is the area defined in LMC 11.61.035.

- (1) Cost for each permit shall be as established on the Community and Economic Development master fee schedule.
- (2) Each permit issued in this manner shall have a duration of one (1) year starting from the date of issuance. Upon expiration, it is the responsibility of the owner or operator to renew the permit, including payment of the yearly residential parking permit fee as established on the Community and Economic Development master fee schedule.
- (3) Permits issued pursuant to this chapter shall not be transferable, resold or duplicated. The amount paid for a permit issued pursuant to this chapter shall not be refundable.
- (4) Proof of residency shall be provided to the city prior to the issuance of any residential parking permit. Proof of residency may be provided in the form of a current signed lease, utility billing account, or other clear proof of residency as determined by the Director of Community and Economic Development.
- (5) A maximum of two residential parking permits may be issued to a single residential unit.

11.61.055 Special Parking Permits

The city manager, or their designee, is authorized to issue special parking permits for the parking of motor vehicles, mobile vendors, construction equipment, special service

vehicles, special event activities, or the placement of debris containers in available on-street or off-street parking spaces on a temporary basis in excess of time limitations or other parking limitations contained within this chapter, when in conjunction with another city permit. If required, special parking permits may be requested as part of, and issued in conjunction with, the associated city permit(s) authorizing the activity. Examples include special event permits, construction permits, or right-of-way permits. Fees for special parking permits, if any, shall be as identified on the fee schedule for the department tasked with issuing the permit for the underlying activity. If required, signage shall be placed subject to the requirements of the city engineer and at the applicants expense.

11.61.060 Amendment of Parking Regulations

The city engineer may, from time to time, provide for different or additional parking restrictions or the installation of different or additional traffic control devices subject always to the provision that any such restriction or regulation be properly posted in the area affected. The city council retains final authority in the amendment of adopted parking regulations.

11.61.070 City Engineer - Authority

The city engineer or his/her designee is authorized to exercise the powers and duties of traffic engineer as authorized pursuant to RCW 46.90.005, and the Model Traffic Ordinance contained in Chapter 11.02 LMC, all as now or hereafter amended.

11.61.080 Enforcement

This chapter and Chapter 11.56 LMC shall be enforced by city employees designated as parking control officers by the chief of police, or by police officers of the city. Such parking control officers and police officers are authorized to issue notices of parking infraction for violations of this chapter and Chapter 11.56 LMC. In the issuance of such notices of parking infraction, parking control officers shall be deemed to be law enforcement officers.

- (1) Whenever parking time is limited or prohibited on designated streets or off-street parking facilities, it shall be the duty of the city engineer and/or his/her designee to erect appropriate signs, curb painting or other appropriate markings giving notice thereof, and no such regulations shall be effective and enforceable unless said signs or other such markings are erected and in place at the time of the alleged offense.

- (2) In checking for overtime parking, parking control officers or police officers are authorized to use chalk marks on the tires of parked vehicles, or any other identifying mark that does not deface the vehicle. .
- (3) Such parking control officers and police officers are authorized to issue notices of parking infraction for violations of this chapter and of Chapters 11.56 LMC. In the issuance of such notices of parking infraction, parking control officers shall be deemed to be law enforcement officers.
- (4) Tampering. It is a violation of this title and a Class IV civil infraction for any person to erase chalk marks placed on tires of motor vehicles by police officers or parking enforcement officers of the city, which chalk marks are placed on tires to enforce the on-street and off-street parking provisions of this title, or to otherwise tamper with or interfere in the process employed by police officers or parking enforcement officers in enforcing the provisions of this title.

11.61.090 Violation an Infraction

Any violation of the parking prohibitions and restrictions provided in this chapter shall be designated as a traffic infraction and punishable in accordance with state law and/or local ordinance. The monetary penalty shall be set by the city manager and adopted by resolution by the city council.

11.61.100 Monetary Penalty – Failure to Respond

In the event that the penalty imposed for a parking infraction is not paid within 30 calendar days following the date of issuance thereof, an additional penalty shall be imposed in accordance with the aforementioned parking penalty fine schedule in LMC 11.61.090 as set the city manager and adopted by city council resolution.

CHAPTER 11.18
IMMOBILIZATION OF VEHICLES

§ 11.18.030. Declaration of public nuisance.

Any vehicle for which three or more notices of parking infraction have been issued under the provisions of Chapters 11.61, 11.56, and/or 11.60 LMC and for which there has been no response and payment of the penalties have not been paid shall be considered a public nuisance 14 days after the mailing of the notice provided for in LMC § 11.18.020 if payment is not made as directed in said notice. Said vehicle shall be considered a public nuisance in that said vehicle has inhibited the orderly movement of vehicles into parking spaces on the streets and/or into the public parking facilities of the city, created an obstruction to traffic, and restricted public access to limited parking spaces and created a disincentive to others to obey the parking regulations of the city. (Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.040. Immobilization of vehicles constituting public nuisances.

Any vehicle constituting a public nuisance under the provisions of LMC § 11.18.030 that is found parked on the streets or in public parking facilities of the city may be immobilized by a parking control officer or a police officer of the city. (Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.050. Procedure for immobilization of vehicles.

- (1) Any law enforcement officer or parking control officer of the city may temporarily immobilize any vehicle constituting a public nuisance under LMC § 11.18.040 by installing on or attaching to such vehicle a device designed to restrict the normal movement of such vehicle.
- (2) At the time that such device is installed or attached, there shall be affixed to such vehicle a notice of immobilization containing the following information:
 - (a) The date and time that the notice of immobilization was affixed;
 - (b) The name of the parking control officer or police officer who installed or attached such device;
 - (c) A statement that the vehicle constitutes a public nuisance under LMC § 11.18.030 and has been immobilized by the city of Longview;
 - (d) A statement that the vehicle may be released from such immobilization upon payment in full of all unpaid penalties and penalty increases resulting from the issuance of notices of parking infraction for which responses have not been made and for which payment has not been made, plus the additional sum of the immobilization fee;
 - (e) A statement that if the registered owner of the vehicle wants to contest the immobilization, the registered owner may file a petition for relief from the failure to respond to notices of parking infraction within 10 days of the date of

immobilization and may obtain a release of the immobilized vehicle by posting a cash bond in an amount that is equal to all outstanding penalties and immobilization fee;

- (f) A statement that unless subsections (2)(d) or (e) are performed within 24 hours of the date and time of such notice, the vehicle will be placed in the custody of a registered tow truck operator and impounded until payment is made, including the cost of towing and impounding;
 - (g) A warning that removing or attempting to remove the immobilization device before release is obtained is unlawful and may damage the vehicle;
 - (h) The address and telephone number and office hours where additional information can be obtained, where payment shall be made, and where arrangements can be made for release of the immobilization device.
- (3) The parking restrictions otherwise applicable shall not apply to any vehicle during the time of immobilization.
(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.060. Immobilization fee.

The registered owner of any vehicle immobilized pursuant to this chapter shall be assessed an immobilization fee as established in the Longview Police Department Parking Fines Schedule as adopted by city council resolution to cover the cost of immobilization, and said fee shall be in addition to any other penalties under this code.
(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.070. Release from immobilization.

Except for the purpose of impoundment as provided in this chapter, no vehicle immobilized pursuant to this chapter shall be released from the device until payment of the total of all unpaid parking violation penalties, plus the immobilization fee, or the posting of a cash deposit bond in an amount that is equal to the sum of said penalties and fee as directed by the chief of police or his designee.
(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.080. Petition for relief from immobilization or impoundment.

Any person desiring to contest an immobilization or impoundment of a vehicle under this chapter may serve upon the city and file with the Longview municipal court a petition for relief within 10 days of the date of thereof. Any person desiring to contest an impoundment subsequent to immobilization may do so pursuant to the provisions of LMC § 11.16.060. The costs of filing and serving any petitions under this section shall be paid by the party seeking relief just as in other civil proceedings.
(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.090. Cash bond forfeiture.

Any person posting a cash bond pursuant to LMC § 11.18.070 shall be deemed to have

forfeited the cash bond to the city if no petition for relief is filed with the Longview municipal court within 10 days following the date of the immobilization. Notice of the right of the city to forfeit the cash bond shall either be given in person to the party posting the bond or mailed to their last known address.

(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.100. Impoundment following immobilization.

A vehicle that is immobilized and not released, as provided in LMC § 11.18.070, within 24 hours of such immobilization, shall be towed away by a registered tow truck operator and impounded at the cost of the registered owner. Said vehicle shall not be released until full payment of all unpaid parking violation penalties, plus the immobilization fee together with all towing and storage costs.

(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.110. Disposition of impounded vehicles.

All vehicles impounded pursuant to this chapter and not redeemed or released from such impoundment shall be subject to the provisions of Chapter 11.16 LMC.

(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.120. Unpaid penalties remaining after disposal of impounded vehicle.

In the event that a registered tow truck operator disposes of a vehicle impounded pursuant to this chapter to recover the costs of towing and storage as provided by Chapter 46.55 RCW, any unpaid penalties assessed against the registered owner of such vehicle shall not be discharged, and shall remain an obligation owing by such registered owner to the city.

(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.140. Unauthorized removal of immobilization device.

It is a misdemeanor for any person other than a parking control officer or a police officer of the city to remove or attempt to remove an immobilization device that has been placed on a vehicle pursuant to this chapter, or to move an immobilized vehicle without such removal.

(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.010. Applicability.

The provisions of this chapter shall be applicable to parking infractions as established and set forth in Chapters 11.56, 11.60, 11.61 and LMC.

(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

§ 11.18.020. Failure to comply with notice of parking infraction – Notice to registered owner.

If no response is made to a notice of parking infraction within 15 days after the issuance thereof, and if there are two or more additional notices of parking infraction to which there have been no response and for which the penalties have not been paid, the city shall mail a notice to the registered owner of the vehicle to which the notice of parking infraction was affixed. Such notice shall be mailed to the address of the registered owner as shown by the records of the Department of Licensing of the state in which such vehicle is licensed, and shall contain the following:

- (1) The license number of the vehicle;
- (2) The name of the registered owner of the vehicle as shown by the records of the Department of Licensing or other appropriate agency of the state in which such vehicle is licensed;
- (3) The date and nature of all notices of parking infraction applicable to such vehicle to which no response has been made and for which the penalties have not been paid;
- (4) A statement of the amount of all unpaid penalties imposed by reason of such notices of parking infractions together with any increases in such penalties arising under LMC § 11.61;
- (5) A statement that the vehicle will be considered to be a public nuisance unless all outstanding unpaid penalties and increases thereof occasioned by the issuance of notices of parking infraction are paid within 14 days of such notice;
- (6) A statement that the vehicle, as a public nuisance, will be subject to immobilization and subsequent impoundment pursuant to this chapter, unless such payment is so made;
- (7) The address and telephone number where additional information may be obtained.

(Ord. 2782 § 6, 2000)

CHAPTER 11.60
OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES¹

§ 11.60.010. Council findings.

The city council finds and declares as follows:

- (1) That all economic and physical surveys necessary in determining the need, the practicability, and the feasibility necessary to the establishment of off-street parking facilities have been made, are a part of the official record of the hearing held before the council on July 23, 1970, and are on file in the office of the city clerk;
- (2) That a comprehensive plan for the establishment of said off-street parking facilities adequate for such purpose has been prepared and is likewise a part of the official records of said hearing and is on file in the office of the city clerk;
- (3) That a public hearing, in accordance with the provisions of RCW 35.86.050, has been duly held at 7:30 p.m., July 23, 1970, in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Longview, Washington, on said comprehensive plan and the minutes of said hearing also constitute a part of the official record thereof;
- (4) That there is a definite need for off-street parking facilities within the downtown business district area of the city. That such facilities should include open surface parking as well as multistory parking facilities, and that said facilities should be constructed on the real property described in LMC § 11.60.020;
- (5) That the present traffic conditions in the downtown business area of the city create serious traffic congestion and a danger to the public safety and the construction of the off-street parking facilities hereinabove referred to will alleviate such traffic congestion.

(Ord. 1482 § 1, 1970)

§ 11.60.020. Plan adopted.

The following plan for the acquisition, construction and maintenance by the city of off-street parking facilities is found and declared to be necessary for public safety, and to be for the public use, and is hereby accepted and adopted:

- (1) The city shall acquire the following described real property located in the city:

Lots 1 to 8, inclusive, Block 68, Plat of Longview No. 4.

Lots 5 to 8, inclusive, Block 69, Plat of Longview No. 4.

Lots 9 to 16, inclusive, Block 68, Plat of Longview No. 2.

Lots 9 to 12, inclusive, Block 69, Plat of Longview No. 2.

Lots 12 to 20, inclusive, Block 70, Plat of Longview No. 2.

1. For the statutory provisions regarding the development of off-street parking by cities, see Chapters 35.86 and 35A.86 RCW; for statutory provisions granting code cities all the powers of any city of any class, see RCW 35A.21.161.

Lots 3 to 8, inclusive, Block 79, Plat of Longview No. 2.

Lots 1 to 8, inclusive, Block 80, Plat of Longview No. 2.

Lots 1 to 6, inclusive, Block 81, Plat of Longview No. 2.

Lots 1 to 5, inclusive, Block 82, Plat of Longview No. 2.

Lots 11 to 16, inclusive, Block 85, Plat of Longview No. 2.

Lots 9 to 15, inclusive, Block 86, Plat of Longview No. 2.

Lots 12 to 17, inclusive, Block 87, Plat of Longview No. 2.

- (2) The city shall construct and install such surface parking areas and multilevel parking structures thereon as are set forth in the comprehensive off-street parking plan on file in the office of the city clerk. Such plan, however, shall be subject to such changes in detail not affecting the main general features thereof as shall be found necessary and desirable by the city council.
- (3) The city shall proceed to carry out the plan specified herein at such time or times as found necessary and advisable, and to the best interests of the city and its inhabitants.
(Ord. 1482 § 2, 1970)

§ 11.60.030. Financing.

The following plan for the financing of the off-street parking facilities described herein is found to be feasible and economically sound, and such plan for financing is adopted:

- (1) The estimated cost of the acquisition, construction and installation of the off-street parking facilities provided for in LMC § 11.60.010 through § 11.60.040, including all expenses incidental thereto, is hereby declared to be as near as may be the sum of \$4,500,000;
- (2) The cost of the off-street parking facilities provided in LMC § 11.60.010 through § 11.60.040 shall be paid from the proceeds of sale of revenue bonds, hereby authorized to be issued by the city in the principal amount of \$4,500,000;
- (3) Such revenue bonds shall be payable from parking revenues and from assessments in one or more utility local improvement districts to be hereafter created. The assessments levied and the amounts derived therefrom shall be for the sole purpose of payment into a revenue bond fund to be hereafter created by ordinance of the city council for the payment of such revenue bonds.

The exact date, form, terms, maturities, redemption rights and covenants of such revenue bonds shall be as hereafter fixed by ordinance of the city council.
(Ord. 1482 § 3, 1970)

§ 11.60.040. Supervision – Fees.

The city shall, through the department of public works, operate, maintain and supervise

the off-street parking facilities to be constructed in accordance with LMC § 11.60.010 through § 11.60.040, and may establish a reasonable and fair charge for the parking of motor vehicles by resolution of the city council.

(Ord. 1482 § 4, 1970)

§ 11.60.050. Areas outside comprehensive parking plan.

(1) Off-street parking lots with regulated parking shall be established upon the following described real property, outside the area covered by the comprehensive off-street parking plan, which is owned or leased by the city to provide off-street parking space and facilities for motor vehicles within the city; the real property upon which said parking lots are to be constructed is located within the city of Longview, Cowlitz County, Washington, and is more particularly described as follows:

(a) Properties owned:

- (i) Lots 7 and 8, Block 111, Longview No. 1, according to the plat thereof on file in the office of the county auditor,
- (ii) Lot 8 and the southeasterly one-half of Lot 9, Block 112, Longview No. 11, according to the plat thereof on file in the office of the county auditor.

(b) Properties leased:

- (i) Lots 1, 2, and 3, Block 98, Longview No. 2, according to the plat thereof on file in the office of the county auditor,
- (ii) Lot 14, and the southerly 30 feet of Lot 15, Block 79, Longview No. 2, according to the plat thereof on file in the office of the county auditor,

(2) The off-street parking facilities herein created and established shall be operated by the city and the management and operation thereof shall be conducted under the direction of the city manager. To facilitate management of these lots, the city manager is authorized to provide for the execution of rental agreements with renters of these parking spaces.

(Ord. 1579 §§ 1 – 3, 1972; Ord. 2050 § 1, 1981)

§ 11.60.060. Application of provisions of Chapter 11.61 LMC.

Off-street parking facilities owned and/or operated by the city are subject to the provisions of Chapter 11.61 LMC.

(Ord. 1760 § 3, 1975; Ord. 2139 § 4, 1983; Ord. 2819 § 8, 2001)

§ 11.60.070. Repealed.

Repealed by Ord. 2819.

(Ord. 1760 § 4, 1975; Ord. 2139 § 4, 1983; Ord. 2755 § 5, 1999)

§ 11.60.080. Records.

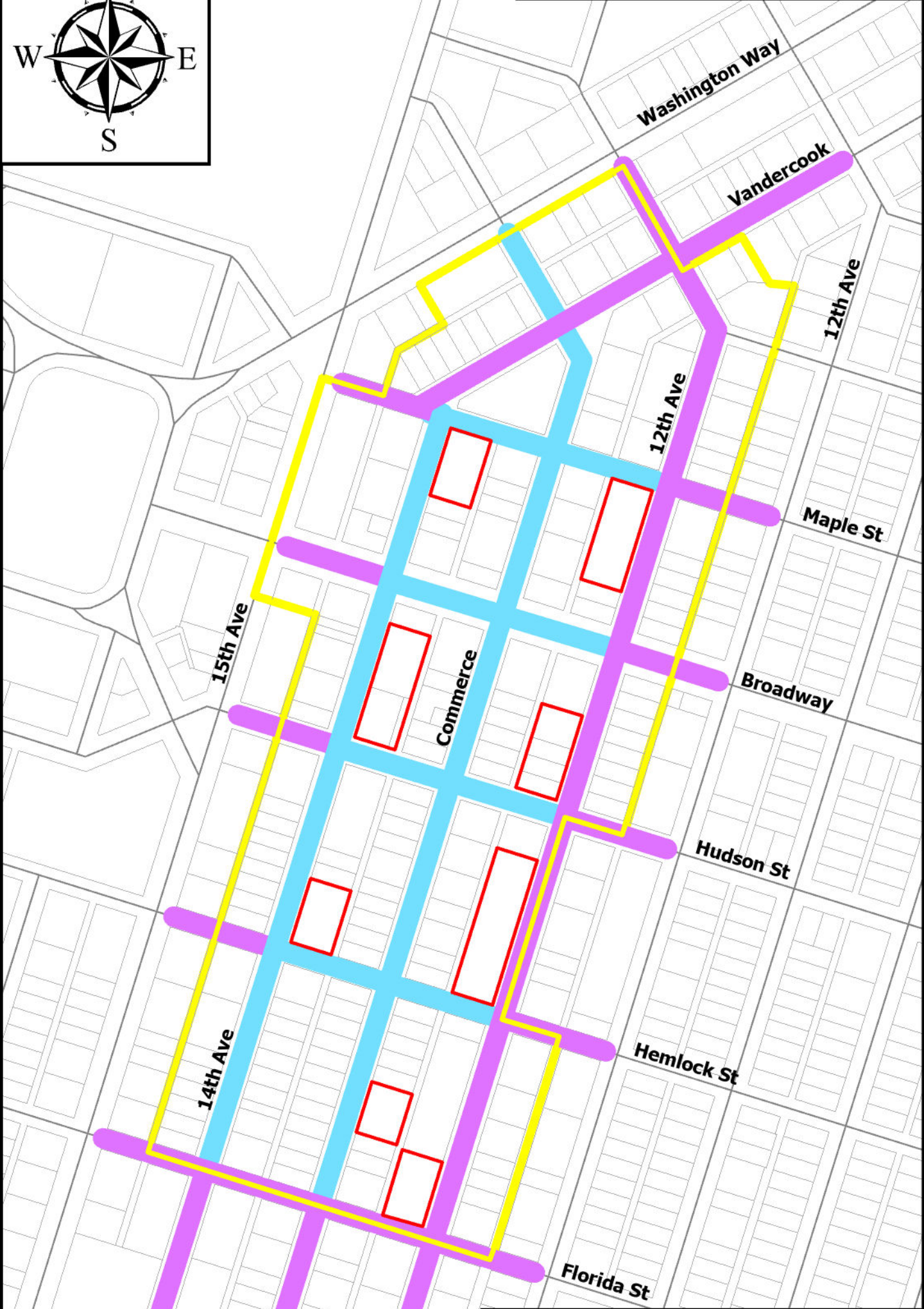
(Ord. 1760 § 5, 1975; Ord. 2755 § 6, 1999)

§ 11.60.090. Repealed.

Repealed by Ord. 2819.

(Ord. 1760 § 6, 1975)

DAC Recommendation



- 3-Hour Parking
- 10-Hour Parking
- D-C Zoning District
- City Parking Lot (72hr)



City of Longview

Agenda Summary

PUBLIC HEARING – REQUEST TO VACATE A 45 FEET WIDE ALLEY BETWEEN A PORTION OF BALTIMORE STREET AND BEECH STREET LYING APPROXIMATELY 225 FEET WEST AND PARALLEL OF CALIFORNIA WAY

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

HOLD THE PUBLIC HEARING THEN MOTION TO:

- **APPROVE THE PROPOSED VACATION AND;**
- **DIRECT THE STAFF TO BRING BACK ORDINANCE 3583 ON AUGUST 11TH FOR ADOPTION AND;.**
- **SET THE VACATION FEES AT \$25,000.00 TO BE USED FOR THE ACQUISITION, DEVELOPMENT, AND TRANSFER OF PARCEL #08460 PLUS COUNTY RECORDING FEES.**

Attachments:

1. Ord No. 3524 - California Alley 08460 ROW Vacation
2. ROW VACATION MAP
3. 2026_07_28_ROW Vacation Presentation

ORDINANCE NO. 3583

AN ORDINANCE VACATING A 45 FEET WIDE ALLEY BETWEEN A PORTION OF BALTIMORE STREET AND BEECH STREET LYING APPROXIMATELY 225 FEET WEST AND PARALLEL OF CALIFORNIA WAY

WHEREAS, Pursuant to RCW 35.79.010, property owners Robert Peterson, Donald Peterson, Thomas Peterson, John Peterson, and Cal Way Properties, LLC , who represents 100% of the abutting properties, submitted a request to vacate a 45 feet wide alley between a portion of Baltimore Street and Beech Street lying approximately 225 feet west and parallel of California Way, more particularly hereinafter described, the same being a duly dedicated right of way located in the City of Longview, Cowlitz County, Washington, and did propose vacation in a resolution in due and legal form for the vacation of a portion thereof, with the City Clerk of said City; and

WHEREAS, following due notice thereof, a public hearing was duly held on said petition by the City Council on the 25th day of June, 2026, in the City Hall Council Chambers, at which time and place arguments and presentations favoring and opposing such street vacation were made and considered and the City Council, after having been fully advised of all of the facts, and after having considered all of the evidence for and against such vacation, determined that said petition should be granted, subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Longview do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the following alley right of way, known as a 45 feet wide alley between a portion of Baltimore Street and Beech Street lying approximately 225 feet west and parallel of California Way, situated in Section 4, Township 7 North, Range 2 West of the Willamette Meridian, in the City of Longview, Cowlitz County, Washington, more particularly described as follows:

A remaining strip of 45 feet wide ALLEY between that portion of Baltimore Street and Beech Street lying approximately 225 feet west and parallel of California Way. Further described under Cowlitz County Auditor's abbreviation property reference 23 (AP 5) -25 4 -7N -2W EXC BLA FEE 3629444 EXC BLA FEE 3629445 EXC BLA FEE 3629446 EXC BLA FEE 3629447 EXC LOT 25A FEE 3658454, containing 11,909 square feet, more or less as shown on Exhibit A,

shall be, and the same is hereby, vacated, subject to the provisions of Sections 2, and 3 hereof.

Section 2. That a public utility easement is retained over, under, across and through the vacated land for the construction, repair, maintenance, and operation of public utilities, and for ingress and egress to the easement area at any and all times for such utility purposes.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall be published in the manner required by law and shall be deemed to be in full force and effect thirty (30) days thereafter, and the City Clerk, pursuant to the requirements of RCW 35.79.030, shall record a certified copy of this Ordinance with the Auditor for Cowlitz County, Washington.

Passed by the City Council this 28th day of July, 2026.

Approved by the Mayor this 28th day of July, 2026.

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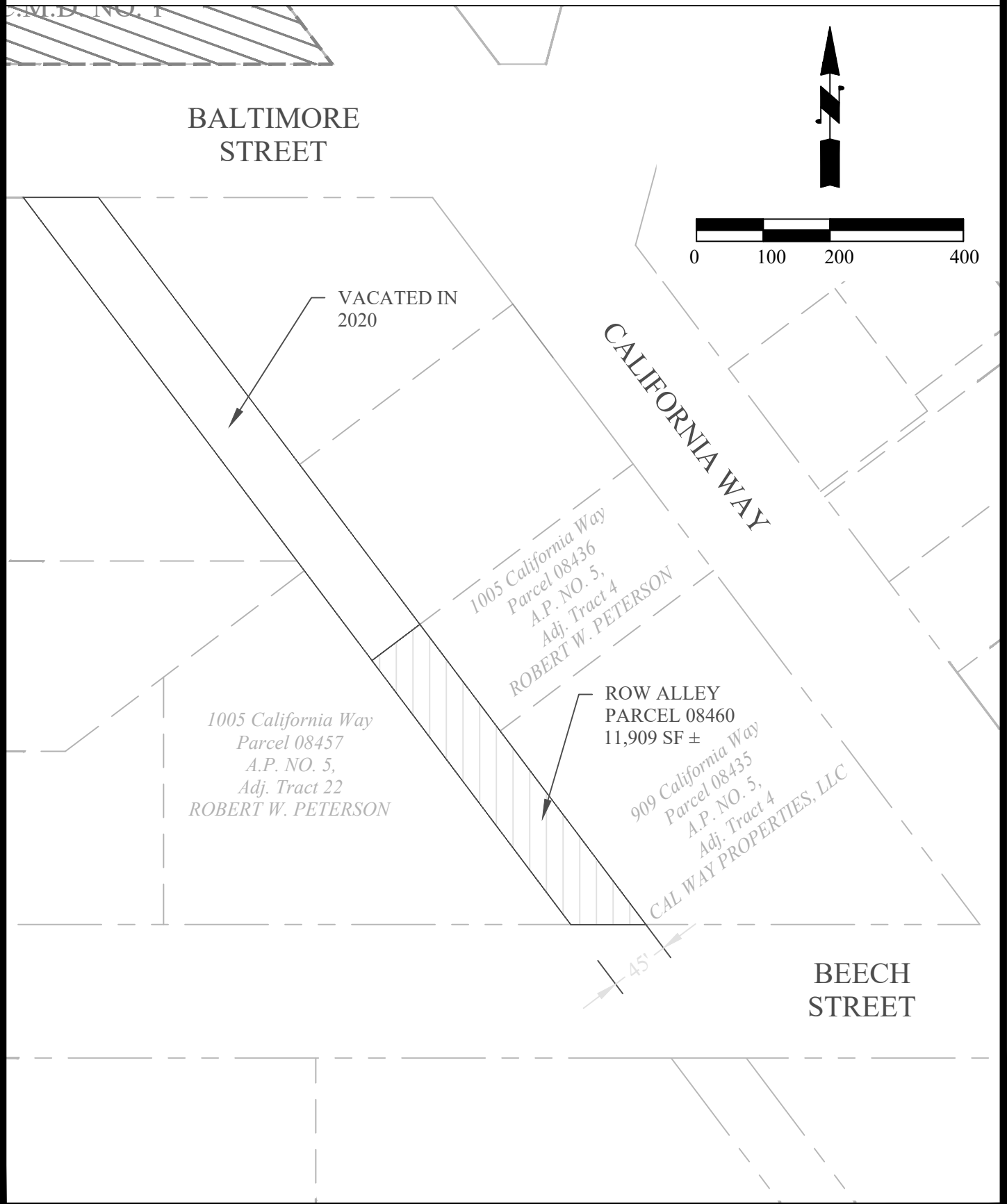
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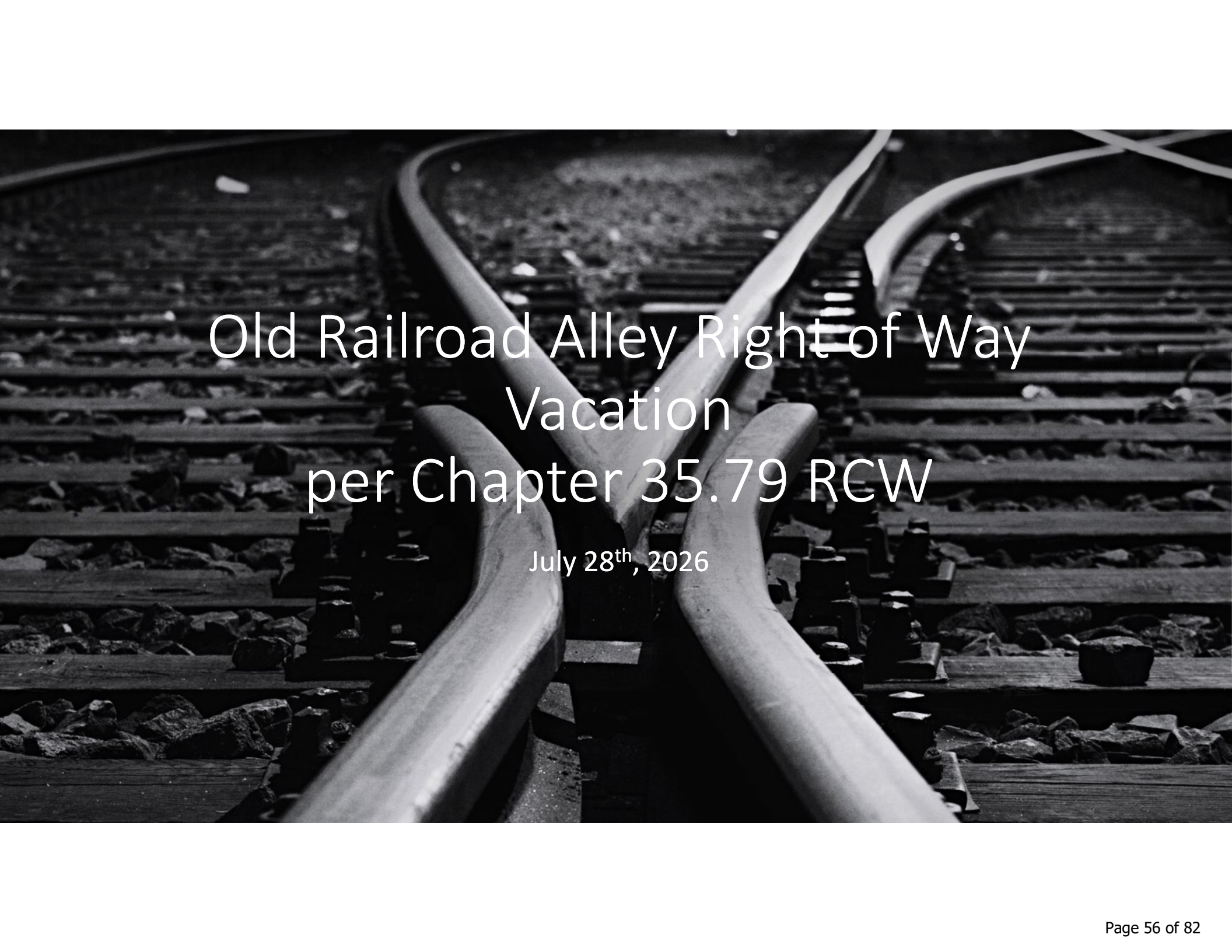
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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

EXHIBIT A - ROW Vacation





Old Railroad Alley Right of Way Vacation per Chapter 35.79 RCW

July 28th, 2026

What is a ROW Vacation?

- Is the legal process for a City to release property rights to said street or alley.
- Typical initiated by abutting property owners but can be done by City resolution.
- The Process involves:
 - Receiving a signed petition of more than 2/3 of the abutting property owners.
 - Set public hearing by resolution and post public notice
 - During hearing, public body hears staff recommendation and public comments
 - Council votes to approved or reject, set fee, and then direct staff to prepare final ordinance.
 - Ordinance is passed, and proper documents are then recorded with the County after fees and/or easements are also recorded.

City Resolutions related to ROW Vacations

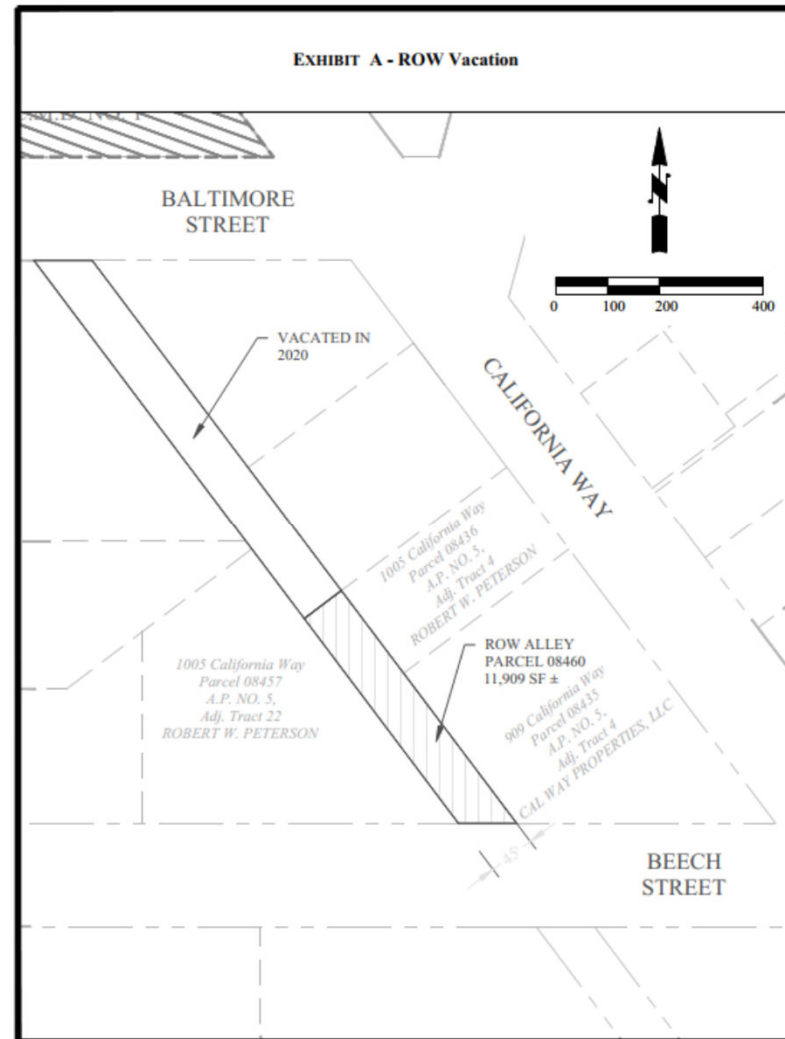
Resolution 1732 – fee is 50% of value if City owned less than 25 years and is 100% if owned more.

1732

Resolution 2290 – Council may cut the price by up to 50% if they determine the property being vacated is for offset the cost of low-income housing development and economic development projects

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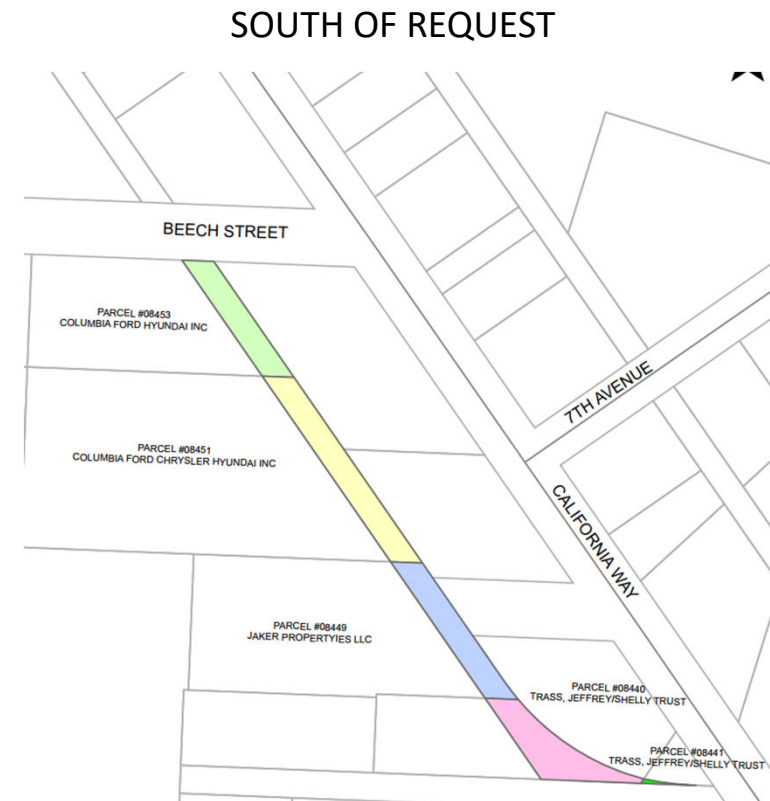
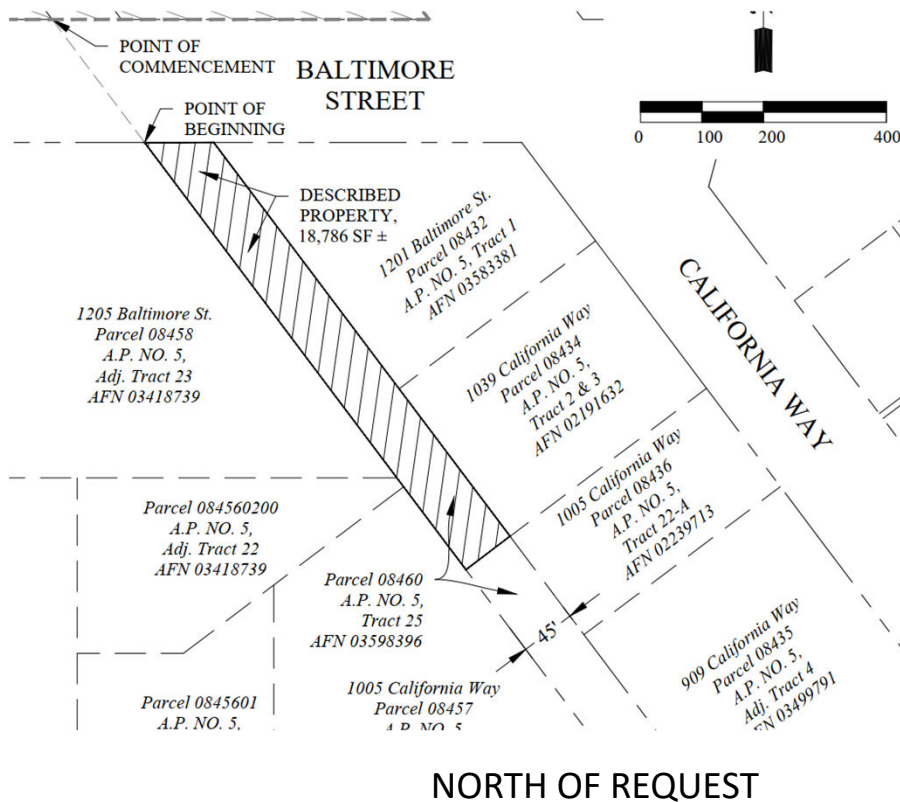
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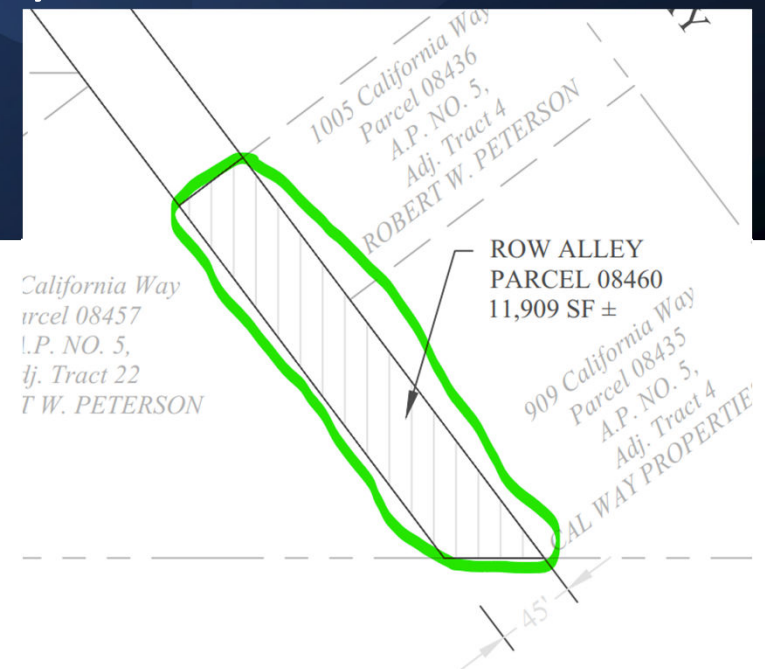


Right of Way Vacation History in Area (2019/2020)



Motion: Approve the proposed vacation and; prepare an ordinance for adoption at next council meeting; retain utility easement and set vacation fee at \$25,000.

Questions?





City of Longview

Agenda Summary

**ORDINANCE NO. 3579(A) - PERTAINING TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ABUSE; ADOPTING SECTION 9.26.110 TO THE LONGVIEW MUNICIPAL CODE, ESTABLISHING THE OFFENSE OF RECKLESS EXPOSURE OF A CHILD TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES; PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS; CLASSIFYING THE OFFENSE; REFERENCING APPLICABLE GENERAL PENALTY AND CULPABILITY PROVISIONS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE
ORDINANCE NO. 3579(B) INCLUDES IN UTERO LANGUAGE**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 3579

DATE: July 28, 2026

COUNCIL STRATEGIC INITIATIVE ADDRESSED:

Community Safety

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: REQUIRED

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

April 9, 2026 the City Council directed the City Attorney to draft an ordinance for council adoption establishing the crime of "endangerment of a minor with a controlled substance" to address the lethal threat of fentanyl and other synthetic opioids. The City Attorney drafted an ordinance for council's consideration.

July 14, 2026 the council held a public hearing and made a motion to include in utero language and bring back a second ordinance at the July 28 council meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt Ordinance No 3579(A) or (b) which includes in utero language.

STAFF CONTACT:

Senior Assistant Attorney James Goodman

Attachments:

1. longview-gross-misdemeanor-model-ordinance

CITY OF LONGVIEW, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 3579

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW,
WASHINGTON, PERTAINING TO CONTROLLED
SUBSTANCE ABUSE; ADOPTING SECTION 9.26.110
TO THE LONGVIEW MUNICIPAL CODE,
ESTABLISHING THE OFFENSE OF RECKLESS
EXPOSURE OF A CHILD TO CONTROLLED
SUBSTANCES; PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE
FINDINGS; CLASSIFYING THE OFFENSE;
REFERENCING APPLICABLE GENERAL
PENALTY AND CULPABILITY PROVISIONS; AND
ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS, the City of Longview has the authority to address and punish activities that threaten public health or safety, to take actions needed to protect public health and maintain peace and order, and to hold people accountable when they break city laws; and

WHEREAS, under RCW 9A.42.100, it is a Class B felony to knowingly or intentionally allow a dependent child or adult to be exposed to, consume, breathe in, or come into contact with methamphetamine or the chemicals used to make it; and

WHEREAS, attempts to update RCW 9A.42.100 so that it also covers intentional or knowing exposure to controlled substances and other synthetic opioids have been proposed multiple times but have not passed the State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, controlled substances have caused a sharp rise in poisoning deaths and life-threatening overdoses locally, across our State, and nationally, including unintentional exposure cases involving children; and

WHEREAS, children are uniquely vulnerable to accidental ingestion, inhalation, or dermal exposure due to developmental characteristics, limited risk awareness, and increased hand-to-mouth behaviors; and

WHEREAS, the presence, storage, use, or disposal of controlled substances in uncontrolled or unsafe conditions creates an acute and preventable risk of severe injury or death to children; and

WHEREAS, the City of Longview has identified a gap in enforceable local offenses available to address reckless exposure of children in situations not fully encompassed by state law; and

WHEREAS, establishing a municipal offense promotes public health, child safety, community welfare, and supports local enforcement efforts consistent with Washington law; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and declares that protecting children from reckless exposure to controlled substances is a compelling governmental interest;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Adoption. A new section, to be codified at Longview Municipal Code 9.26.110, is adopted to read as follows:

LMC 9.26.110 Reckless Endangerment by Controlled Substances – Child Exposure.

A. Offense.

A person commits the offense of endangerment by controlled substances if the person, under circumstances not amounting to a violation of RCW 9A.42.100, knowingly or recklessly causes a child, defined for purposes of this section as a person under eighteen years of age, to be exposed to a controlled substance.

For purposes of this section, “exposed” means ingestion, inhalation, absorption, or physical contact, or placing the child in a location or situation creating a substantial risk of such exposure.

B. Nonexclusive Means of Commission.

Conduct constituting a violation of this section includes, but is not limited to, knowingly or recklessly:

1. leaving controlled substance in a place or container readily accessible to a child;
2. using, handling, packaging, or transferring controlled substance in the immediate presence of a child under circumstances creating a substantial risk of child contact or ingestion;
3. storing controlled substance with food, drink, medication, candy, or other items likely to attract or be handled by a child;
4. discarding controlled substance, controlled substance analogue, controlled substance residue, or controlled substance-contaminated materials in a manner likely to result in child contact; or
5. maintaining premises where a child is present and controlled substance is kept or used in a manner creating a substantial risk of exposure to the child.

C. Exceptions.

Administering or providing a controlled substance to a child in the course of delivering health-care services pursuant to and in accordance with a valid prescription is not a violation of this section.

D. Classification and Penalty.

1. A violation of this section is classified as a gross misdemeanor.
2. Penalties, including fines, imprisonment, assessments, and costs, shall be imposed as provided in LMC 9.04.090, including subsection (4) concerning costs.

E. Relationship to Other Law.

Nothing in this section precludes prosecution under another applicable ordinance or state law, except that no person may receive multiple punishments for the same act. This section does not apply to conduct specifically prohibited by RCW 9A.42.100.

F. Preemption Clause.

If the Washington State Legislature enacts a law that overrides this chapter, this chapter will automatically stop being effective on the same day the state law takes effect. Any violation that happened before that date can still be prosecuted and punished under this ordinance.

G. Severability.

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase herein is held invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity does not affect the remainder of the ordinance.

SECTION 2. Publication. The City of Longview City Clerk is hereby ordered and directed to cause Ordinance to be published.

SECTION 3. Codification. The City Clerk and codifier are authorized to codify this ordinance in the Longview Municipal Code, make necessary section numbering changes, and correct clerical errors consistent with the intent of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five days after publication as provided by law.

Passed by the City Council this ___ day of _____ 2026.

Approved by the Mayor the ___ day of _____ 2026.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Charlotte Archer
City Attorney



City of Longview

Agenda Summary

APPROVAL OF JULY 14, 2026 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES & JULY 21, 2026 SPECIAL MEETING/WORKSHOP MINUTES

Attachments:

1. July 14, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. July 21, 2026 Special Meeting Workshop Minutes



City of Longview

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Minutes

City Council

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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*

Tuesday, July 14, 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**

26-00456 BRIAN CUMMINGS, EVANGEL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

After the invocation provided by Brian Cummings of Evangel Christian Fellowship, 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 (on-line), 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, Fire Chief Brad Hannig, Public Information Officer Angela Abel, Information Technology

Director Mike Sullivan, Finance Director Aaron Hill, Senior Assistant City Attorney James Goodman, City Clerk Tiffany Ostreim

4. **CHANGES /REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Mayor Halvorson added an Executive Session regarding Risk of Proposed Action to follow agenda item #9.

5. **AWARDS**

26-00497 PROCLAMATION - PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH JULY 2026; RECIPIENT PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR JUSTIN BROWN & PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD CHAIRPERSON OLIVER BLACK

Mayor Halvorson presented the proclamation to Parks and Recreation Director Justin Brown and Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Chairperson Oliver Black.

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

Kaye Clinch provided public comment.

Alice Kerby provided public comment.

Jeff Wilson provided public comment.

Mike Pederson provided public comment.

Clint Hash provided public comment.

Debra Coleman provided public comment.

A citizen, name unstated, provided public comment.

Spencer Boudreau provided public comment.

Darryl VanDinter provided public comment.

Tom Spain provided public comment.

7. **PRESENTATIONS**

26-00539 DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO LMC CHAPTER 11 VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC REGARDING PARKING - DOWNTOWN AND CITYWIDE

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE REPORT ON PROPOSED LMC CHAPTER 11 CHANGES REGARDING PARKING; PROVIDE DIRECTION ON PATH FORWARD

Community Development Director Nick Little presented.

Council discussed and gave direction for broader updates to LMC regarding parking regulations city-wide.

26-00540 IT STANDARDS, CAPACITY, AND RESILIENCE BRIEFING

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

COUNCIL DIRECTION ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF COSTED REMEDIATION STRATEGY THAT EVALUATES A MIX OF STAFFING, CONTRACTORS, MANAGED SERVICES, REPRIORITIZATION, AND REDUCED SCOPE

Information Technology Director Mike Sullivan presented.

Council discussed.

8. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

26-00560 PUBLIC HEARING – AMENDMENT TO THE 2026 – 2031 SIX YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN (TIP) AND RIVERCITIES TRANSIT PROGRAM OF PROJECTS (POP)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**CONDUCT THE PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2632.**

Mayor Halvorson opened the public hearing at 7:28 p.m.

Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Chris Collins explained the TIP amendment is to update the Columbia Heights project to put on the new funding sources.

Mayor Halvorson opened and closed the public comment portion as no one present spoke for or against the subject and closed the public hearing at 7:29 p.m.

A motion was made by Councilmember Young, seconded by Councilmember Nichols, to adopt Resolution No. 2632. The motion carried unanimously.

- 26-00557 ORDINANCE NO. 3579 - PERTAINING TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ABUSE; ADOPTING SECTION 9.26.110 TO THE LONGVIEW MUNICIPAL CODE, ESTABLISHING THE OFFENSE OF RECKLESS EXPOSURE OF A CHILD TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES; PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS; CLASSIFYING THE OFFENSE; REFERENCING APPLICABLE GENERAL PENALTY AND CULPABILITY PROVISIONS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**CONDUCT THE PUBLIC HEARING**

Mayor Halvorson opened the public hearing at 7:30 p.m.

Senior Assistant City Attorney James Goodman explained the proposed ordinance and answered clarifying questions.

Mayor Halvorson opened the public comment portion of the hearing.

Jason Still provided public comment.

Kristy, last name unstated, provided public comment.

A citizen, name unstated, provided public comment.

Steve Ferrell provided public comment.

Mayor Halvorson closed the public comment portion and the hearing at 7:40 p.m.

A motion was made by Mayor Halvorson seconded by Councilmember LaFave, to adopt Ordinance No. 3579.

Council discussed.

An amendment was made by Councilmember Young, seconded by Mayor Halvorson, to include "in utero" language and bring back a second ordinance at the next regular council meeting.

The amendment carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Young, Mayor Halvorson, Councilmember LaFave, Councilmember Bryant, Councilmember Nichols

Nays: Councilmember Kendall, Councilmember Claxton

The main motion, as amended, carried unanimously.

9. CONSTITUENTS' COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS (Thirty Minutes)

George Robertson provided public comment.

Shannon McClain provided public comment.

Jason Still provided public comment.

Michael O'Neill provided public comment.

Darryl VanDinter provided public comment.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council, City Manager Jennifer Wills, Interim City Attorney Charlotte Archer, Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Chris Collins entered Executive Session at 8:01 p.m. pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(iii) Risk of

Proposed Action for a period of 15 minutes. At 8:17 p.m. all parties came out of Executive Session. Council will take action afterwards.

11. BOARD & COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

12. ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

26-00566 RESOLUTION NO. 2629 - UPDATE TO PUBLIC WORKS FEE SCHEDULE

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2629

Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Collins explained the fee schedule.

Community Development Director Nick Little explained the fill and grade.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kendall, seconded by Councilmember Nichols, to adopt Resolution No. 2629. The motion carried unanimously.

26-00541 RESOLUTION NO. 2630 – DECLARING CERTAIN CITY PROPERTY SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING DISPOSAL

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2630

A motion was made by Councilmember Young, seconded by Councilmember LaFave, to adopt Resolution No. 2630.

*An amendment was made by Councilmember Kendall, seconded by Councilmember Young, that any proceeds from the disposition of the units would be utilized by the city in any fashion for the benefit of our impoverished constituents at the discretion of the council.
The amendment passed unanimously.*

The main motion, as amended, passed unanimously.

26-00558 RESOLUTION NO. 2631 – DECLARING FIFTY (50) PORTABLE AIR CONDITIONING UNITS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING THEIR TRANSFER TO FISH OF COWLITZ COUNTY

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2631

A motion was made by Councilmember Kendall, seconded by Councilmember LaFave, to adopt Resolution No. 2631.

Council discussed.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Kendall, Councilmember LaFave, Councilmember Bryant, Councilmember Nichols, Councilmember Young, Mayor Halvorson

Abstained: Councilmember Claxton

13. CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Councilmember Bryant, seconded by Councilmember LaFave, to adopt the Consent Calendar. The motion carried unanimously.

26-00454 APPROVAL OF JUNE 25, 2026 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AND JULY 7, 2026 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

26-00455 APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

- 26-00567 SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR AMENDMENTS TO LONGVIEW MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 19.22.025 RELATING TO ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS AND REPEALING CHAPTER 19.12.055 RELATING TO APPEAL BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REVIEW AUTHORITY FOR ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING AUGUST 11, 2026

- 26-00565 SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR AMENDMENTS TO LONGVIEW MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 19.40, COUNTY EVENT CENTER ZONING DISTRICT, TO ALLOW FOR ANIMAL SHELTERING AS AN ALLOWED USE AND REDUCING ACCESS RESTRICTIONS TO PEARDALE LANE

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING AUGUST 11, 2026

- 26-00570 SET PUBLIC HEARING – 2027-2032 SIX YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AND RIVERCITIES TRANSIT PROGRAM OF PROJECTS (POP)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO SET THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON AUGUST 25, 2026, AS THE DATE AND TIME FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2027-2032 SIX-YEAR POP AMENDMENT I

- 26-00585 RESOLUTION NO. 2634 - AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF UPDATED OPIOID OVERDOSE PREVENTION GRANT AND EXECUTION OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2634

14. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Halvorson provided an oral report.

15. COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

Councilmember LaFave provided an oral report.

Councilmember Claxton provided an oral report.

16. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- 26-00584 SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WALLIN V. CITY OF LONGVIEW, ET AL

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT IN THE WALLIN V. CITY OF LONGVIEW, ET AL. MATTER AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER, WITH LEGAL COUNSEL'S ASSISTANCE, TO FINALIZE AND EXECUTE A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND A MUTUAL RELEASE OF CLAIMS, WITH NO ADMISSION OF LIABILITY, PROVIDING THAT (1) THE CITY WILL PAY PLAINTIFFS \$80,000 IN ATTORNEY FEES AND COSTS; (2) THE CITY WILL CONSIDER REVIEWING ITS PUBLIC RECORDS ACT (PRA) POLICY; AND (3) THE CITY WILL DEVELOP A CELL PHONE ISSUANCE POLICY FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Interim City Attorney Charlotte Archer read the settlement agreement terms.

A motion was made by Councilmember Bryant, seconded by Councilmember LaFave, to approve

the proposed settlement agreement.

Council discussed.

The council recessed for 5 minutes at 8:45 p.m. until 8:50 p.m. At 8:52 p.m. all members of the council returned to the chambers.

Attorney Archer explained the settlement agreement has not been signed by all the parties pending council approval and approval by the other parties. Statements about the litigation should be curtailed. Council discussed.

The motion carried unanimously.

City Manager Wills provided a verbal report.

17. MISCELLANEOUS

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

26-00542 RISK OF PROPOSED ACTION PER RCW 42.30.110(1)(iii)

The City Council, City Manager Jennifer Wills, Interim City Attorney Charlotte Archer, Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Chris Collins, Information Technology Director Mike Sullivan entered Executive Session at 9:00 p.m. pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(iii) Risk of Proposed Action for a period of 30 minutes. At 9:30 p.m. Executive Session was continued for 10 minutes. At 9:40 p.m. Executive Session was continued for 10 minutes. At 9:53 p.m. all parties came out of Executive Session. No action was taken.

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

***Tiffany Ostreim
City Clerk***

***Approved: _____
Mayor***

NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS:

TUESDAY, JULY 28 2026 – 6:00 P.M.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.

NEXT SPECIAL COUNCIL WORKSHOP:

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2026 – 6:00 P.M. – WASTE MANAGEMENT



City of Longview

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Longview, WA 98632
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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*

Tuesday, July 21, 2026

6:00 PM

2nd Floor, City Hall

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with RCW Chapter 42.30, that the City Council of the City of Longview, Washington, will conduct a special meeting/workshop in the Longview City Hall Council Chamber, 1525 Broadway, Longview, on Tuesday, July 21, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. The topics of discussion follow. Final disposition shall be taken on no other matter.

The City Hall is accessible for persons with disabilities. Special equipment to assist the hearing impaired is also available. Please contact the City Executive Office at 360.442.5004 at least 48 hours in advance if you require special accommodations to attend the meeting.

If you are participating virtually, you may submit written comments to the City Clerk's Office with the subject line "Public Comment for Disbursement to City Council."

Virtual attendees may comment verbally during public hearings only and is only permitted for registered attendees. To participate, please contact the Clerk's Office in advance. Use the "raise hand" feature during the hearing, and the Clerk will unmute participants in the order received. If calling in by phone, dial star - 9 to raise your hand.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82394132374>

Telephone options (dial any of the following numbers):

1-253-215-8782 or 1-346-248-7799 or 1-408-638-0968 or 1-669-900-6833

Webinar ID: 823 9413 2374

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **FLAG SALUTE**

The flag salute was recited.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Halvorson, Mayor Pro Tem Young, Councilmember Bryant, Councilmember Claxton, Councilmember Kendall (on-line), Councilmember LaFave, Councilmember Nichols

Absent/Excused: Councilmember Claxton

Staff Present: Interim City Attorney Maili Barber, Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Chris Collins, Community & Economic Development Director Nick Little, Information Technology Director Mike

Sullivan, Finance Director Aaron Hill, Senior Assistant City Attorney James Goodman, City Clerk Tiffany Ostreim

4. WORKSHOP

26-00538 WASTE MANAGEMENT

Director of Community Development Nick Little presented.

Council reviewed Step 1 rate increase in September, 2026 which covers 50% of the gap between the current rate and the final UTC rate in September 2027. Council also reviewed Option 1 which includes Admin fees and utility taxes and Option 2 which includes utility taxes but not Admin fees.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

26-00604 RISK OF PROPOSED ACTION PER RCW 42.30.110(1)(iii)

The City Council, Interim City Attorney Maili Barber, Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Chirs Collins, and Community Development Director Nick Little entered Executive Session at 6:38 p.m. pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(iii) Risk of Proposed Action for a period of 30 minutes. At 7:08 p.m. all parties came out of Executive Session. No action was taken.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

*Tiffany Ostreim
City Clerk*

*Approved: _____
Mayor*

NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS:

TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.

NEXT SPECIAL COUNCIL WORKSHOP:

MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2026 - 6:00 P.M. - PERSONNEL BUDGETING & THE CITY'S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM



City of Longview

Agenda Summary

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Based upon the authentication and certification of claims and demands against the city, prepared and signed by the City's auditing officer, and in full reliance thereon, it is moved and seconded as shown in the minutes of this meeting that the following vouchers/warrants are approved for payment:

FIRST HALF JULY 2026 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: \$1,559,826.50

FIRST HALF JULY 2026 PAYROLL:

\$13,612.92, checks
\$1,225,508.34, direct deposits
\$698,332.20, wire transfers
\$1,937,453.46 Total

STAFF CONTACT:

Lindy Kennedy, Accountant
Sara Rios, Payroll Specialist

Attachments: None



City of Longview

Agenda Summary

RESOLUTION NO. 2635 – AUTHORIZING APPLICATIONS FOR FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION GRANT FUNDING

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2635

COUNCIL STRATEGIC INITIATIVE ADDRESSED:

Ensuring Fiscal Responsibility and Long-Term Financial Stability.

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: REQUIRED

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requires transit agencies to periodically adopt an authorizing resolution designating the officials authorized to apply for, execute, and administer federal transit grants. Resolution No. 2635 provides the necessary authority for the City of Longview to continue applying for and receiving federal transit assistance under applicable federal transportation programs.

The resolution authorizes the Transit Manager to submit grant applications and required certifications and assurances, the City Attorney or Assistant City Attorney to execute legal certifications, and the City Manager to execute grant and cooperative agreements on behalf of the City. These authorizations are required by the FTA as part of the grant award process and do not commit the City to any specific project or expenditure beyond those approved through the City's normal budgeting and grant acceptance processes.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Adoption of this resolution has no direct fiscal impact. It enables the City to remain eligible for existing and future Federal Transit Administration grant opportunities that support Longview Transit operations and capital improvements.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2635 authorizing the execution and submission of Federal Transit Administration grant applications and related documents.

STAFF CONTACT:

Chris Collins, Asst. City Manager/ Public Works Director

Attachments:

1. Res. 2635 Authorizing Resolution fta edits

RESOLUTION NO. 2635

RESOLUTION NO. 2635 - AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF APPLICATIONS WITH THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION, AN OPERATING ADMINISTRATION OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FOR FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE AUTHORIZED BY 49 U.S.C. CHAPTER 53; TITLE 23, UNITED STATES CODE, OR OTHER FEDERAL STATUTES ADMINISTERED BY THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION.

WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administrator has been delegated authority to award federal financial assistance for a transportation project;

WHEREAS, the grant or cooperative agreement for federal financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the applicant, and may require the applicant to provide the local share of the project cost;

WHEREAS, the applicant has or will provide all annual certifications and assurances to the Federal Transit Administration required for the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Longview that:

Section 1: The Transit Manager is authorized to execute and file an application for federal assistance on behalf of City of Longview with the Federal Transit Administration for federal assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53, title 23, United States Code, or other federal statutes authorizing a project administered by the Federal Transit Administration. The City of Longview has received authority from the designated recipient as defined by 49 U.S.C. 5307(a)(2), the Washington State Department of Transportation, to apply for Urbanized Area Formula Program assistance.

Section 2: The Transit Manager is authorized to execute and file, as Official. its applications, the annual certifications and assurances, and other documents the Federal Transportation Administration requires before awarding a federal assistance grant or cooperative agreement.

Section 3: The City Attorney or Assistant City Attorney is authorized to execute and file, as Attorney, the annual certifications and assurances and other documents the Federal Transportation Administration requires before awarding a federal assistance grant or cooperative agreement.

Section 4: The City Manager is authorized to submit and execute grant and cooperative agreements, as Submitter and Official, with the Federal Transit Administration on behalf of City of Longview.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Longview in regular session and approved by the Mayor this __th day of _____, 2026.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

City Clerk



City of Longview

Agenda Summary

BID REVIEW – 1100 BLOCK 11TH & 12TH AVE ALLEY SEWER REPAIR

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID AND AWARD TO NOVA CONTRACTING, INC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$232,089.00

COUNCIL 2026 GOALS AND PRIORITIES ADDRESSED:

Investing in Infrastructure

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: N/A

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The project provides for the repairs of sewer main and replacement of all sewer laterals with installation of standard cleanouts, surface restoration, sewer bypass system, and any other incidentals necessary to complete the specified work in accordance with the contract plans, contract provisions and standard specifications.

On Tuesday, July 21, 2026, three bids were received as follows:

\$232,089.00 – NOVA Contracting, Inc, Olympia, WA

\$305,881.40 – Advanced Excavating Specialists, LLC (AES), Kelso, WA

\$331,957.60 – DeWitt Construction, Inc, Vancouver, WA

\$408,000.00 - Engineer's Estimate

The low bid received was determined to be regular and responsive.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

This project is funded through Sewer Construction.

STAFF CONTACT:

Levi Lindeman, Project Manager

Attachments: None



July 28, 2026

James Bobst, Pacific Fibre Products
PO Box 278
Longview, WA 98632

The Longview City Council reaffirms its support for continued dredging of the Cowlitz River and the beneficial reuse of dredged material to maintain navigation, reduce flood risk, and strengthen the region's long-term economic vitality.

Since the 1980 eruption of Mount St. Helens, sediment deposition within the Cowlitz River has created ongoing challenges for navigation, flood risk management, and regional economic activity. While significant dredging has occurred over the decades, sediment continues to accumulate, reducing channel capacity and increasing long-term flood concerns for Longview, Kelso, and surrounding communities.

The Council recognizes that maintaining channel capacity through periodic dredging is essential infrastructure maintenance. Without continued dredging, flood hazards, public infrastructure costs, and risks to the regional navigation system will continue to increase. Accordingly, the Council supports continued investment in dredging to improve navigation, reduce flood risk, protect public and private infrastructure, and strengthen the resilience of the Lower Cowlitz River corridor.

The Council also supports the beneficial reuse of dredged material where consistent with applicable laws, environmental regulations, engineering standards, and adopted land use policies. Whenever practicable, dredged material should be directed toward projects that provide lasting public value, including expanding industrial land, redeveloping underutilized properties, and supporting economic development and employment opportunities. Productive reuse of dredged material represents responsible stewardship of public resources while advancing long-term community goals.

Successful future dredging efforts depend not only on authorization and funding, but also on the availability of suitable placement and reuse sites. The City supports public and private efforts to identify, evaluate, preserve, and, where appropriate, pre-plan or pre-permit sites capable of receiving dredged material in ways that provide lasting public and economic benefits.

The City of Longview looks forward to continued collaboration with federal, state, regional, and private partners to advance solutions that improve flood resilience, maintain river navigation, and support long-term economic prosperity throughout the Lower Columbia region.

Best Regards,

Erik Halvorson, Mayor