

March 3, 2026

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS, COLORADO

Council-Manager Form of Government

Regular Meeting – 6:00 PM

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS – None scheduled

A) PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

PP 1. **Declaring the Day of March 8, 2026 as International Women's Day.**

PP 2. **Declaring the Month of March 2026 as American Red Cross Month.**

PP 3. **Declaring the Month of March 2026 as Women's History Month.**

REGULAR MEETING

6:00 PM

B) CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Emily Francis called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 300 Laporte Avenue, Fort Collins, Colorado, with hybrid participation available via the City's Zoom platform.

C) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Emily Francis led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

D) ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Emily Francis

Mayor Pro Tem Julie Pignataro

Councilmember Josh Fudge

Councilmember Melanie Potyondy

Councilmember Amy Hoeven

Councilmember Anne Nelsen

ABSENT

Councilmember Chris Conway

STAFF PRESENT

City Manager Kelly DiMartino

City Attorney Carrie Daggett

City Clerk Delynn Coldiron

E) CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA REVIEW

City Manager Kelly DiMartino provided an overview of the agenda, including:

- Other Business No. 2 was withdrawn and a white paper will be presented to provide information to the public.
- Items 1-11 on the Consent Calendar were recommended for adoption.
- Three Discussion items.

F) COMMUNITY REPORTS – None.

G) PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY TOPICS OR ITEMS OR COMMUNITY EVENTS

Louis Neves congratulated Councilmembers on their election and selection. He discussed SB 26-097 which would decriminalize prostitution. He asked Council to talk to the bill's representatives and encourage them to add language to grant maximum authority to cities to regulate this.

Marge Norskog commented on the City's agreement with FLOCK Services. She urged changes that would restrict all outside law enforcement access, that City police be notified only when a stolen vehicle or suspect license plate passes a camera, and to pursue enhanced language in the FLOCK contract to further clarify and tighten restrictions on the data collected similar to what was done in Glenwood Springs.

Ryan Burns thanked Council for their time during the last Work Session and commented on the location of FLOCK cameras in the city as related to equity. He stated the organizations that were installing FLOCK cameras ultimately need to be kept in check and that location and infrastructure needs to be limited and watched to ensure certain businesses are not being targeted.

Jeff Akkerman thanked Council and the Fort Collins Police for their services to the city. He noted that FLOCK camera data can be abused and provided several examples. He asked if there was trust that the federal government would not come in and require that the data be disclosed. He also noted mistrust with the owner of Amazon and fears that the stored data is not secure. He stated the data can be misused against U.S. citizens and asked that FLOCK and other cameras be removed.

Ezriah Shteir spoke about those who have come out in support of FLOCK cameras. He stated those opinions represent a small minority of individuals who want to further their agenda at the expense of City residents. He expressed concern about how the system got started to begin with and noted that the Police did not hold listening sessions and there was no push back from Council. He disagreed that this was an operational decision, but rather something significant that impacts residents' daily lives. He encouraged Council to put this item on the ballot and let residents decide whether the cameras should continue to be allowed.

Ash Ibarra spoke about the impacts of FLOCK cameras on residents in the city. She commented on problems with collecting personal and private information without the consent of the people and her distrust of Amazon which stores the data in its AWS cloud. She commented on issues with the camera located near Planned Parenthood and gave examples of how this could negatively impact people who need services at the clinic. She discussed the metadata that is collected and questioned whether the metadata is wiped before sharing data with other agencies or the federal government. She urged Council to have FLOCK and any other similar cameras removed.

Tyler Davidson opposed FLOCK cameras and ALPRs in general. He stated the potential for misuse with these systems is being wildly underrepresented and stated this is what law enforcement has

always wanted. He noted free people are not meant to be surveilled and concurred with others that this is a fourth Amendment issue. He added that misuse has already occurred in other communities and worried that it could happen here. He also commented on issues with the security of these systems and the investments that have been made by individuals who created the systems. He urged Council to ensure we stay a free people.

Josie Plaut stated she works at the CSU Institute for the Built Environment focusing on regional resilience, sustainability and community-centered innovation, but noted she is speaking on her own behalf. She thanked Council for its work on priorities and expressed support for the focus on affordability and sustainable growth. She encouraged Council to consider these items from a perspective of looking towards the future and discussed fiscal shortfalls, droughts, declining birthrates, tech disruptions and an aging population. She noted the importance of considering these things together and urged Council to elevate forest resiliency, ensure housing strategy targets the missing middle, workforce and aging individuals, and convene regional partners for scenario planning that includes fiscal and other considerations.

Aimee Bove discussed the mobile home code changes and provided information about the state program that is available. She added that much of the ordinance mirrors what is already existing and enforced by the state with the program she referenced. She described the process that occurs when the state receives a complaint and suggested these changes were unnecessary and that mobile home communities are regulated sufficiently by the state.

H) PUBLIC COMMENT FOLLOW-UP

Mayor Pro Tem Pignataro requested information regarding next steps for FLOCK cameras. City Manager DiMartino replied additional research is occurring regarding other options and noted there are some things happening at the State legislature that will be monitored. She stated Council will be receiving follow-up information in the next 45 to 60 days.

Mayor Pro Tem Pignataro asked what would occur if the local mobile home park Code changes conflict with State regulations. Marcy Yoder, Neighborhood Services Manager, stated overlaps between the programs are being considered as standard operating procedures are being developed. She also stated the City's regulations allow for moving forward with abatement if no action occurs through the State process. She noted efforts will be coordinated with the State.

Councilmember Potyondy thanked those who spoke.

Councilmember Hoeven thanked those who spoke, particularly Marge Norskgog and Ezriah Shteir for the information they have provided.

I) COUNCILMEMBER REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION

Councilmember Hoeven withdrew Item No. 5, Second Reading of Ordinance No. 014, 2026, Amending the Code of the City of Fort Collins to Revise Requirements Relating to Mobile Home Parks, from the Consent Calendar, due to questions related to the impacts of the sentence regarding the City having the authority to inspect and abate hazardous conditions.

J) CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consideration and Approval of the Minutes of the February 17, 2026 Regular Meeting.

The purpose of this item is to approve the minutes of the February 17, 2026 Regular Meeting.

Approved.

2. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 011, 2026, Appropriating Prior Year Reserves and Unanticipated Revenue Received Through City Give.

This Ordinance, unanimously adopted on First Reading on February 17, 2026, requests an appropriation of \$75,507.38 in philanthropic revenue received through City Give. These miscellaneous gifts to various City departments support a variety of programs and services and are aligned with both the City's strategic priorities and the respective donors' designation.

In 2019, City Give, a formalized enterprise-wide initiative was launched to create a transparent, non-partisan governance structure for the acceptance and appropriations of charitable gifts.

Adopted on Second Reading.

3. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 012, 2026, Appropriating Prior Year Reserves for River Restoration and Visitor Use Improvements at Arapaho Bend Natural Area and Related Art in Public Places Program.

This Ordinance, unanimously adopted on First Reading on February 17, 2026, requests an appropriation of \$4,900,000 from the Natural Areas Fund into the Natural Areas' 2026 budget for a river restoration and visitor use improvement project at Arapaho Bend Natural Area and transferring \$46,000 to the Cultural Services and Facilities funds to meet the City's 1% dedicated funding requirement for Art in Public Places.

Arapaho Bend Natural Area (ABN) is a biologically rich and culturally significant 534-acre parcel in need of ecological restoration due to past infrastructure development, gravel mining, and degradation along the Cache la Poudre River (Poudre River). Visitation at this site has increased by 400% over the past decade, impacting natural resources and creating unsafe conditions. A river restoration project and visitor use project at ABN were identified as top priorities for implementation through Natural Areas' planning processes. Design and permitting for the projects began in 2025. The restoration's focus is on improving river health metrics and the visitor use improvements center on safety, improved access, and resource protection.

The Natural Areas Department (FCNAD) has accrued funds for both projects over several years and has the full funding amount needed to complete the projects. Both projects are on track to begin construction in August 2026. This timeline is a year ahead of the anticipated schedule when the 2025/2026 budget was created and approved, requiring funds to be appropriated into Natural Areas' 2026 budget. Completing the projects a year earlier will save the City further costs from inflation.

Adopted on Second Reading.

4. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 013, 2026, Adopting the 2026 Amended City Classified Employee Pay Plan to Update Classified Positions as Provided in the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police.

This Ordinance, unanimously adopted on First Reading on February 17, 2026, recommends changes to the 2026 City Classified Employee Pay Plan based on an annual market analysis conducted as agreed upon through the 2025-2027 Collective Bargaining Agreement (the "Agreement") with the Northern Colorado Lodge #3 of the Fraternal Order of Police ("FOP"). The Agreement was approved by Council by Resolution 2024-141 on December 3, 2024. The Agreement specifies a salary data collection method and evaluation process that includes market data as of early January. This data has been collected and analyzed, resulting in the revised 2026 City Classified Employee Pay Plan.

Adopted on Second Reading.**5. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 014, 2026, Amending the Code of the City of Fort Collins to Revise Requirements Relating to Mobile Home Parks.**

This Ordinance, unanimously adopted on First Reading on February 17, 2026, presents City Code updates related to mobile home park licensing, proper operation, and enhanced oversight of issues identified by mobile home park residents, property managers, and owners. This item also addresses analysis of unmet needs in the State of Colorado Mobile Home Park Oversight Program.

Staff recommends including the following Code changes:

- Requiring mobile home park (“MHP”) owners to provide potable water and access to sanitary services for water outages lasting more than 12 hours;
- Requiring MHP owners to maintain trees and remove hazards caused by trees and branches that threaten life or property; aligning minimum standards with existing standards for other property types;
- Requiring MHP owners to maintain streets and mitigate hazards;
- Requiring MHP owners to repair water infrastructure leaks, breaks, or malfunctions in the City Water Utility service area; aligning minimum standards with existing standards for other property types;
- Authorizing abatement of hazardous trees, water infrastructure leaks or repairs, and pavement conditions by the City with cost recovery from MHP owner;
- Prohibiting MHP owners from charging costs of hazard mitigation, abatement by the City, penalties, and other costs associated with licensing or enhanced enforcement program to residents;
- Aligning penalty structure for MHP licensing and oversight with existing penalties for non-compliance of hazardous conditions and administrative requirements;
- Removing requirement for proactive rental inspections for mobile homes to align with the Rental Housing complaint-based inspection policy; and
- Creating a MHP licensing program, requirements, and fees with annual renewal that requires:
 - Disclosure of:
 - Infrastructure assessment results, maintenance schedules, and repairs
 - Water outage and boil notice frequency and duration
 - Water rebilling methodology
 - Average lot rent, lot rent increase amount and frequency, line-item description of all rent increases
 - Speed limits and enforcement standards
 - Current community rules
 - MHP property manager certification and continuing education
 - Compliance with minimum property maintenance and hazard mitigation standards set forth in Code

Withdrawn for individual consideration.

6. **Council Action Postponing Indefinitely Ordinance No. 203, 2025, Amending Section 20-102 of the Code of the City of Fort Collins for the Purpose of Adjusting Snow and Ice Removal Requirements.**

The purpose of this item is to postpone indefinitely an Ordinance regarding snow and ice removal requirements presented to Council on First Reading on December 2, 2025. On Second Reading on December 16, 2025, the item was continued to February 17, 2026.

An affirmative vote on this item will indefinitely postpone the proposed Ordinance.

Approved.

7. **First Reading of Ordinance No. 015, 2026, Making a Supplemental Appropriation from the Colorado State Patrol Department of Public Safety for the FY26 Beat Auto Theft Through Law Enforcement (BATTLE) Grant Project.**

The purpose of this item is to appropriate \$10,000 of unanticipated state grant revenue from the Colorado State Patrol (CSP) Department of Public Safety as a modification to the previously awarded FY 2026 BATTLE grant.

Adopted on First Reading.

8. **Items Relating to Traffic Code Updates.**

A. First Reading of Ordinance No. 016, 2026, Amending Section 236 of the Fort Collins Traffic Code Relating to Child Restraint Systems.

B. First Reading of Ordinance No. 017, 2026, Amending Section 214 and Section 224 of the Fort Collins Traffic Code Relating to Snowplows.

C. First Reading of Ordinance No. 018, 2026, Adding a New Section 1412.5 of the Fort Collins Traffic Code Relating to Certain Persons Approaching Intersections who are not Operating Motor Vehicles.

D. First Reading of Ordinance No. 019, 2026, Amending Section 1503 of the Fort Collins Traffic Code Relating to Lane Filtering and Passing.

E. First Reading of Ordinance No. 020, 2026, Amending Section 239 of the Fort Collins Traffic Code Relating to Misuse of a Mobile Electronic Device.

F. First Reading of Ordinance No. 021, 2026 Adding a New Section 1418 of the Fort Collins Traffic Code Relating to Driving without a Current Driver's License.

G. First Reading of Ordinance No. 022, 2026, Amending Section 1209 and Sections 1221 through 1227 of the Fort Collins Traffic Code Relating to Parking Enforcement Procedures.

The purpose of this item is to present recommended changes to the Fort Collins Traffic Code to address changes made by the Colorado State Legislature and to modernize outdated language to more clearly reflect current Parking Services policies and protocols related to enforcing parking violations and fee requirements in parking garages and surface lots.

All Ordinances Adopted on First Reading.

9. Items Related to the FY24 Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant.

A. Resolution 2026-024 Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Grant Agreement with the Federal Highway Administration under the Fiscal Year 2024 Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Program.

B. First Reading of Ordinance No. 023, 2026, Making a Supplemental Appropriation and Authorizing Transfers of Appropriations for the Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Program.

The purpose of this item is to support the City in expanding on the City's current Active Modes Plan and Vision Zero Plan, specifically through:

- Supplemental Planning Projects
 - An audit of standards and policies to identify and amend plans, codes and standards to align with City's Active Modes Plan and Vision Zero Action Plan, and
 - Harmony Road Study to develop conceptual plans to mitigate speed related risks and reduce severe crashes, with an emphasis on vulnerable road users.
- Demonstration project on Lake Street to evaluate modifications for safer and more predictable travel for all modes.

The Resolution authorize the Mayor to sign the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Federal Highway Administration to receive grant funding to support the above-mentioned project activities.

The Ordinance will appropriate \$1,739,944 in federal funds from the FY24 SS4A grant program and \$367,570 in local funds and in-kind staff time to go toward the local match requirement.

Resolution Adopted and Ordinance Adopted on First Reading.

10. Resolution 2026-025 Modifying Resolution 2025-102 to Authorize the Execution of a Funding Agreement with Volunteers of America National Services.

The purpose of this item is to specify the name of the contracting entity stated in Resolution 2025-102. Resolution 2025-102 authorized the City to execute a funding agreement with Volunteers of America (VOA) for \$1.4 million of Affordable Housing Capital Funds from the Community Capital Improvement Program. This change is needed to clarify the subsidiary of VOA who is developing the project. Funds will support the development of Switchgrass Crossing, an age-restricted and income-restricted affordable housing community.

Adopted.

11. Resolution 2026-026 Approving Amendments to the Boards and Commissions Manual.

The purpose of this item is to make updates to the Boards and Commissions Manual.

Adopted.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Pro Tem Pignataro moved, seconded by Councilmember Nelsen, to approve the recommended actions on items 1-11, minus Item 5, on the Consent Calendar.

Councilmember Hoeven asked about the communication plan regarding Item No. 8, Items Relating to Traffic Code Updates. Sargeant Dave Lindsay replied there will be internal coordination with the Police Services media relations team and the City's Communication and Public Involvement Office to provide general updates regarding the changes that are necessary to come into line with State law. He stated resources will be available outlining how residents can access the documents, which are mostly online.

Councilmember Hoeven asked how Lake Street was selected for the demonstration project per Item No. 9, Items Related to the FY24 Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant. Cortney Geary, Active Modes Manager, stated all the high-priority recommendations in the City's Active Modes Plan were evaluated to determine which might be good candidates for this funding, and based on the prioritization, project readiness, and feasibility, it was determined that Lake Street would be a good candidate for the project. She noted there are high-priority recommendations in the Active Modes Plan for both bikeway and bicycle and pedestrian crossing improvements along Lake Street. Additionally, Lake Street is one of the few City-owned streets that still runs through CSU's main campus, and both the City and CSU have adopted Vision Zero goals. She also noted the demonstration project funding will allow for the installation of removable materials to test different designs along the corridor.

Councilmember Fudge expressed excitement about the study of the Harmony corridor that is part of Item No. 9, Items Related to the FY24 Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant.

The motion carried 6-0.

K) CONSENT CALENDAR FOLLOW-UP

None.

L) STAFF REPORTS

None.

M) COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Councilmember Melanie Potyondy

- Women and Gender Equity Board had a reception this evening in recognition of International Women's Day and the associated proclamation
- Commended those who participated in the Indian Republic Day celebration at the Senior Center

Mayor Pro Tem Julie Pignataro

- Attended a Lunar New Year celebration at the Chinese school where she read a proclamation
- Attended the ISAAC fundraiser
- Attended the Leadership Northern Colorado luncheon

Councilmember Amy Hoeven

- Attended the Municipal Court program "The Right Track" and commended Judge Hueser on her work fostering the program

N) CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR FOR INDIVIDUAL DISCUSSION

5. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 014, 2026, Amending the Code of the City of Fort Collins to Revise Requirements Relating to Mobile Home Parks.

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 - Compliance with minimum property maintenance and hazard mitigation standards set forth in Code

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

COUNCIL QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Councilmember Hoeven asked about community outreach and whether service providers have any concerns regarding registration, inspection, or other elements of the program. Marcy Yoder, Neighborhood Services Manager, replied much of the engagement work was done prior to the September Work Session and it involved several layers of engagement with residents, non-profit partners, and State partners. She stated there was support for moving forward at the September Work Session; therefore, the engagement strategy was changed to focus on the residents who helped craft what was brought forward in September. Additionally, she noted all non-profit providers were contacted after First Reading and they remain in support with no additional concerns raised.

Mayor Francis thanked staff for their work on this item.

Mayor Pro Tem Pignataro moved, seconded by Councilmember Potyondy, to approve Ordinance No. 014, 2026, Amending the Code of the City of Fort Collins to Revise Requirements Relating to Mobile Home Parks, on Second Reading.

City Attorney Daggett noted there are two editorial changes that need to be made to the Ordinance language.

- On page 2 of the Ordinance, the use of “safe” before “operation” in Section 18-1 is unnecessary given the use of “safe” later in that sentence.
- On page 15 of the Ordinance, in new Section 26-166(e), the sentence that begins “In addition to such other methods of collection are...”. I think there should be a “that” before the “are”

Mayor Pro Tem Pignataro and Councilmember Potyondy accepted the changes as a friendly amendment.

The motion carried 6-0.

O) CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS PLANNED FOR DISCUSSION

12. Resolution 2026-027 Adopting the City Council’s 2026-2027 Priorities.

The purpose of this item is to formally adopt the 2026-2027 Council Priorities.

STAFF PRESENTATION

Rupa Venkatesh, Assistant City Manager, noted the Resolution Council is considering would adopt both the title of each priority and its description. She outlined the following priorities: promote affordability and sustainable growth by making development predictable, efficient, and cost effective, bolster a thriving economy with a focus on small business, neighborhood centers, and quality job creation, accelerate progress toward Vision Zero, connect community to Council actions, and ensure the City organization’s long-term financial sustainability.

Venkatesh noted the Resolution also includes the Work Plan items that were discussed regarding AI leadership, marijuana laws, and a creative nighttime economy. She stated next steps include Work Sessions with Council to check in on progress and success metrics.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

COUNCIL QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Councilmember Potyondy thanked staff for their work on this item. She stated her hope is to continue working on workforce and missing middle housing. Additionally, she noted she pushed to have a specific climate priority; however, the work is ongoing and part of broader, foundational plans with priorities being vetted through the triple bottom line lens, which includes environmental sustainability.

Mayor Pro Tem Pignataro thanked staff for their work on this item and noted equity is also part of the City's work.

Councilmember Nelsen stated the priorities reflect an iterative process informed by Council's work, public feedback, and staff. She stated Council is aligned in its priorities and expressed support for the updated version of the priorities.

Mayor Francis thanked staff and Council for their work on this item and stated the priorities are focused and reflective of the community.

Mayor Pro Tem Pignataro moved, seconded by Councilmember Fudge, to adopt Resolution 2026-027 Adopting the City Council's 2026-2027 Priorities.

The motion carried. 6-0.

13. Resolution 2026-028 Adopting the City of Fort Collins 2026-2030 Strategic Plan.

The purpose of this item is to formally adopt the 2026-2030 Strategic Plan. The adopted plan will guide the 2027-2028 budgeting process. Council priorities have been incorporated into this Plan and will be considered for adoption under a separate resolution.

STAFF PRESENTATION

Rupa Venkatesh, Assistant City Manager, outlined the purpose of the Strategic Plan to establish a shared vision and priorities which provides a framework for budget and resource decisions. She mentioned the Strategic Outcome Areas and discussed the ways in which the Council priorities have been incorporated into the Strategic Plan.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

COUNCIL QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Councilmember Fudge thanked staff for their work on this item, particularly in terms of including the Council priorities in the Strategic Plan and including clear, measurable outcomes.

Mayor Francis asked about the process for ensuring the correct tools and measurements are being used. Assistant City Manager Venkatesh replied the cadence of staff check-ins with Council is at the discretion of Council. She stated there have not been Strategic Plan updates with Council in recent history. City Manager DiMartino suggested items related to Council priorities could be part of the quarterly Work Session check-ins and other Strategic Plan metrics could be discussed per Council's request.

Mayor Pro Tem Pignataro moved, seconded by Councilmember Nelsen, to adopt Resolution 2026-028 Adopting the City of Fort Collins 2026-2030 Strategic Plan.

The motion carried 6-0.

14. Resolution 2026-029 Establishing an Ad Hoc Committee known as the Council Committee on Affordable and Sustainable Growth.

The purpose of this item is to appoint Councilmembers to an Ad Hoc Council Committee to support work regarding the Council priority of “Promote affordability and sustainable growth by making development predictable, efficient, and cost effective.”

The Proposed Ad Hoc Committee name is “Committee on Affordable and Sustainable Growth.”

STAFF PRESENTATION

Caryn Champine, Planning, Development, and Transportation Director, stated this item would establish an ad hoc committee to support one of the Council priority areas focused on affordable and sustainable growth. She stated the Council priority aims at removing, replacing, or fixing systems or regulatory barriers that are creating some of the largest challenges in achieving goals related to affordable and sustainable growth. She stated the work of the committee is anticipated to include some initial grounding around the problems to solve, scope of work, and frequency of meetings, followed by an iterative process of exploring topics, identifying strategies, and identifying recommendations for full consideration of Council. She stated work is also anticipated to include bringing in different stakeholders to participate in the dialogue.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

COUNCIL QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Councilmember Nelsen and Mayor Francis expressed interest in serving on the committee and Mayor Francis noted Councilmember Conway is also interested.

Councilmember Hoeven asked if the committee will be addressing housing regulatory issues or economic development and business regulations. Champine replied there will be an emphasis on Land Use Code update work, including street design standards and historic preservation standards. Additionally, there will be discussions around the project fee schedule, the programs that support affordable housing, and making it easier to start a small business.

Mayor Francis asked where Development Review will be considered. Champine replied there are components of Development Review that will be captured in the Land Use Code and some of the difficulties in navigating the process will be captured in the regulatory layers that will be cleaned up. She stated that once staff has a better understanding of the regulatory improvements, it will go before the ad hoc committee and Council with some suggestions for fee changes, programmatic improvements, and customer experience changes.

Mayor Francis requested assurance that people who use the process will be involved with the committee. Champine replied that will occur and noted there is a large pool of stakeholders that will be discussed with the committee.

Mayor Pro Tem Pignataro stated she would be willing to be the alternate committee member.

Mayor Pro Tem Pignataro moved, seconded by Councilmember Potyondy, to adopt Resolution 2026-029 Establishing an Ad Hoc Committee known as the Council Committee on Affordable and Sustainable Growth, with the members being Mayor Francis and Councilmembers Conway and Nelsen, and Mayor Pro Tem Pignataro as an alternate.

The motion carried 6-0.

Q) OTHER BUSINESS

OB 1. Possible consideration of the initiation of new ordinances and/or resolutions by Councilmembers.

Councilmember Hoeven noted she is having her first listening session on Saturday at 10:00 at the Fort Collins Senior Center.

OB 2. Proposed Motion to Waive Attorney-Client Privilege on Legal Item.

Clerk's Note: This item was withdrawn from the agenda by City Manager DiMartino.

R) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk