

1 **CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK**
2 **CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**
3 **August 14, 2025**
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5 **It is noted that this meeting was held in person in the City Council Chambers and remotely via**
6 **Zoom.**
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8 **Councilmembers present:** Tracy Furutani, Deputy Mayor; Larry Goldman, Vice Chair; Paula
9 Goode, Jon Lebo, Ashton McCartney, Semra Riddle
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11 **Councilmembers absent:** Ellyn Saunders
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13 **Staff present:** Tom French, Mayor; Phil Hill, City Administrator; Kim Adams Pratt, City Attorney;
14 Lindsey Vaughn, Finance Director; Mike Harden, Police Chief; Rebecca Dickinson, Public
15 Works Director; Chris Korwel, Stormwater Program Coordinator; Mark Hofman,
16 Community Development Director; Jennifer Johnson Grant, Presiding Judge; Julie
17 Espinoza, Court Administrator; Matt McLean, City Clerk
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19 **Others present:** Alice Darnton, King County Library Systems
20 Eileen de la Cruz and Lolly Smith, Library Advisory Committee members
21 Jon Pascal and Drew Heckathorn, Transpo Group
22 13 visitors
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24 **CALL TO ORDER**
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26 Mayor French called the regular City Council meeting of August 14, 2025, to order at 7:00 p.m.
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28 **FLAG SALUTE**
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30 Vice Chair Goldman led the Pledge of Allegiance.
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32 **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
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34 **Deputy Mayor Furutani moved** to approve the agenda as presented. **Cmbr. Goode**
35 **seconded. The motion to approve the agenda as presented carried unanimously.**
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37 **PUBLIC COMMENT**
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39 Mayor French invited comments from the public.
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41 The following people provided comments in favor of pedestrian improvements at the
42 intersection of NE 178th St and 40th Ave NE:

- 43 – Prasantha Jayakody
44 – Elizabeth (Liz) Hawkins
45 – Sally Yamasaki

1 – Sarah Phillips

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3 Liz Loomis provided comments recognizing the hard work the Council and staff do and
4 acknowledged that the City and local government are the main touch points for most residents.

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6 Kim Josund submitted a written comment in favor of pedestrian improvements at the
7 intersection of NE 178th St and 40th Ave NE.

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9 With no one else in the audience wishing to speak, Mayor French closed the public comment.

10 11 **PRESENTATIONS**

12 13 ***Swearing in of new Police Officer Kelly Gregory***

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15 Chief Harden introduced Officer Gregory, and Judge Grant administered the oath of office.

16 17 ***Lake Forest Park Library Reads Program***

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19 Alice Darnton, Eileen de la Cruz, and Lolly Smith gave a brief presentation and responded to
20 Council questions.

21 22 ***Green Stormwater Solutions Pilot Project***

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24 Mr. Korwel gave a brief presentation and responded to Council questions.

25 26 ***State of the Court Report***

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28 Judge Grant and Administrator Espinoza presented the State of the Court and responded to
29 Council questions.

30 31 ***Transpo Group Safe Speed Study***

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33 Mr. Pascal presented the study findings and responded to Council questions.

34 35 **CONSENT CALENDAR**

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37 **Cmbr. Riddle moved** to approve the Consent Calendar. **Deputy Mayor Furutani**
38 **seconded. The motion to approve the Consent Calendar as amended carried**
39 **unanimously.**

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41 A. July 24, 2025 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
42 B. A Pre-paid Accounts Payable dated 7/23/2025 Claim Fund Check No. 87989 in the
43 amount of \$348.00, an Accounts Payable dated 8/14/2025 Claim Fund Check Nos. 87900
44 through 88060 in the amount of \$558,699.16, an 8/8/2025 Payroll Fund ACH transaction

1 in the amount of \$180,547.74, a 7/23/2025 Direct Deposit transaction in the amount of
2 \$204,847.93, and an 8/8/2025 Direct Deposit transaction in the amount of \$209,738.02.
3 Additional approved transactions: WexBank – Chevron, \$77.42; US Bank, \$44,061.72.
4 Total approved claim fund transactions: \$1,198,319.72
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6 **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR COUNCIL DISCUSSION**

7 **Ordinance 25-1311/Amending the 2025-2026 Budget**

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10 Director Vaughn gave a brief presentation and responded to Council questions.

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12 This will be brought back at a future meeting or during the Mid-Biennial Budget discussions.
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14 **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTION FOR ACTION**

15 16 **Resolution 25-2023/Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Documents Necessary to Participate in** 17 **the Purdue Pharma/Sackler Family and other Generic Manufacturers' Opioid Settlement** 18 **Agreement**

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20 Attorney Pratt gave a brief presentation and responded to Council questions.
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22 **Deputy Mayor Furutani moved** to waive the three-touch rule regarding Resolution 25-
23 2023/ Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Documents Necessary to Participate in the
24 Purdue Pharma/Sackler Family and other Generic Manufacturers' Opioid Settlement
25 Agreement. **Cmbr. Riddle seconded. The motion to waive the three-touch rule carried**
26 **unanimously.**
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28 **Deputy Mayor Furutani moved** to approve Resolution 25-2023. **Cmbr. Riddle seconded.**
29 **The motion carried unanimously.**
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31 **OTHER BUSINESS**

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33 **Deputy Mayor Furutani moved** to excuse Cmbr. Saunders. **Cmbr. Riddle seconded. The**
34 **motion carried with Cmbr. Riddle dissenting.**
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36 **COUNCILMEMBER/MAYOR/CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS**

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38 Mayor French gave a brief report.
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40 **ADJOURNMENT**

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42 There being no further business, Mayor French adjourned the meeting at 10:04 p.m.
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Tom French, Mayor

Matt McLean, City Clerk

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