

1 **CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK**
2 **CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**
3 **November 13, 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 (via Zoom); Larry Goldman, Vice Chair;
9 Paula Goode, Jon Lebo, Ashton McCartney (via Zoom), Semra Riddle, Ellyn Saunders (via
10 Zoom)
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12 **Councilmembers absent:** none
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14 **Staff present:** Tom French, Mayor; Phil Hill, City Administrator; Kim Adams Pratt, City Attorney;
15 Lindsey Vaughn, Finance Director; Mike Harden, Police Chief; Mark Hofman, Community
16 Development Director; Jennifer Grant, Municipal Judge; Shannon Moore; HR Director;
17 Matt McLean, City Clerk
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19 **Others present:** Jake Johnston, The Johnston Group
20 Brianna Celaya & Max Hepp-Buchanan, King County Parks
21 Alexandra Doty & Maddie Seibert, Cascadia Consulting 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 November 13, 2025, to order at
27 7:00 p.m.
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29 **FLAG SALUTE**
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31 Mayor French led the Pledge of Allegiance.
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33 **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
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35 **Vice Chair Goldman moved** to amend the agenda, moving items 10.A and 10.c,
36 Resolution 25-2038/Confirming Jennifer Johnson Grant as the Municipal Judge and
37 adopting Amendment No. 1 to the Employment Agreement dated December 15, 2021
38 and Resolution 25-2040/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Agreement for 2026-2027
39 Federal Legislative Advocacy Services with The Johnston Group, to follow item 4, Public
40 Comments. **Cmbr. Goode seconded. The motion to approve the agenda as amended**
41 **carried unanimously.**
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43 **PUBLIC COMMENT**
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45 Mayor French invited comments from the public.

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

3 **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

5 **Resolution 25-2038/Confirming the Appointment by the Mayor of Jennifer Johnson Grant as the Municipal Judge and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Amendment to the Employment Agreement with Jennifer Johnson Grant for the Municipal Judge Position**

9 Administrator Hill presented the item and responded to Council questions.

11 **Vice Chair Goldman moved** to approve Resolution 25-2038/Confirming the Appointment by the Mayor of Jennifer Johnson Grant as the Municipal Judge and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Amendment to the Employment Agreement with Jennifer Johnson Grant for the Municipal Judge Position. **Cmbr. Riddle seconded.**

16 **Vice Chair Goldman moved** to waive the three-touch rule regarding Resolution 25-2038. **Cmbr. McCartney seconded. The motion to waive the three-touch rule carried unanimously.**

20 **The motion to approve Resolution 25-2038 carried unanimously.**

22 Mayor French administered the oath of office to Judge Grant.

24 **Resolution 25-2040/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Agreement for 2026-2027 Federal Government Affairs Services with The Johnston Group**

27 Administrator Hill introduced the item. Jake Johnston gave a brief presentation and responded to Council questions.

30 **Cmbr. Riddle moved** to approve Resolution 25-2040/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Agreement for 2026-2027 Federal Government Affairs Services with The Johnston Group. **Cmbr. Goode seconded.**

34 **Cmbr. Riddle moved** to waive the three-touch rule regarding Resolution 25-2040. **Deputy Mayor Furutani seconded. The motion to waive the three-touch rule carried unanimously.**

38 **The motion to approve Resolution 25-2040 carried unanimously.**

40 **PROCLAMATIONS**

42 **Recognizing November 2025 as the Month of Movember**

44 Mayor French read the proclamation.

1 **PRESENTATIONS**

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3 ***King County Parks***

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5 Brianna Celaya and Max Hepp-Buchanan with King County Parks gave a brief presentation on
6 recent Burke-Gilman Trail improvements and responded to Council questions.

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8 **PUBLIC HEARING**

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10 **Public Hearing on Ordinance 25-1312/Adopting a New Climate Element with Greenhouse Gas**
11 **Reduction and Resilience Sub-elements into the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Update**

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13 Director Hofman introduced the item. Alexandra Doty and Maddie Seibert gave a brief
14 presentation and responded to Council questions.

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16 Mayor French opened the public hearing for comments.

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18 Sarah Phillips provided comments in favor of the Climate Element.

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20 There being no one else in the audience wishing to speak, Mayor French closed the public
21 hearing.

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23 This will be brought back at a future meeting.

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25 **CONSENT CALENDAR**

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27 **Deputy Mayor Furutani moved** to approve the Consent Calendar. **Vice Chair Goldman**
28 **seconded. The motion to approve the Consent Calendar carried unanimously.**

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30 A. October 16, 2025 Budget & Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
31 B. October 23, 2025 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
32 C. Voided Check Nos. 88372 through 88406, an Accounts Payable Dated 11/13/2025 Claim
33 Fund Check Nos. 88407 through 88475 in the amount of \$696,154.98, and a 10/23/2025
34 Direct Deposit transaction in the amount of \$212,086.61. Additional ACH transaction: US
35 Bank, \$56,517.11. Total approved claim fund transactions: \$964,758.70.
36 D. Resolution 25-2042/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the SeaShore Transportation Forum
37 Agreement
38 E. Resolution 25-2043/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Interlocal Agreement with Yakima
39 County Information Technology Services
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41 **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR COUNCIL DISCUSSION**

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43 **Resolution 25-2039/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the First Amendment to the Contract for**
44 **Public Defense Services with Stewart MacNichols Harmell, Inc., P.S.**

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2 Administrator Hill gave a brief presentation and responded to Council questions.
3 Deputy Mayor Furutani left the meeting at 8:30 p.m.
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5 This will be brought back at a future meeting.
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7 **2025-2026 Mid-Biennial Budget Adjustment (Amendment) and related items**

- 8 - **Ordinance 25-1311/Amending the 2025-2026 Biennial Budget**
9 - **Resolution 25-2045/Adopting the 2026 Surface Water Rate**
10 - **Resolution 25-2046/Adopting the 2026 Sewer Utility Rate**
11 - **Resolution 25-2047/Adopting the 2026 User Fee Schedule**
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13 Director Vaughn gave a brief presentation.
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15 Director Moore gave a brief presentation on 2026 budgeted positions and salary schedule.
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17 Staff responded to Council questions.
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19 Cmbr. Saunders left the meeting at 8:30 p.m.
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21 These items will be brought back at future meetings.
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23 **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION**
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25 **Resolution 25-2041/Declaring Certain Vehicles as Surplus Property and Authorizing their Sale**
26 **at Public Auction or by Direct Sale**
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28 Administrator Hill gave a brief presentation and responded to Council questions.
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30 **Vice Chair Goldman moved** to approve Resolution 25-2041/Declaring Certain Vehicles
31 as Surplus Property and Authorizing their Sale at Public Auction or by Direct Sale. **Cmbr.**
32 **Riddle seconded. The motion to approve Resolution 25-2041 carried unanimously.**
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34 **Resolution 25-2044/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Agreement between the City of Lake**
35 **Forest Park and Teamsters Local No. 117 (Representing Maintenance Workers)**
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37 Director Moore gave a brief presentation and responded to Council questions.
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39 **Vice Chair Goldman moved** to approve Resolution 25-2044/Authorizing the Mayor to
40 Sign an Agreement between the City of Lake Forest Park and Teamsters Local No. 117
41 (Representing Maintenance Workers). **Cmbr. Riddle seconded. The motion to approve**
42 **Resolution 25-2044 carried unanimously.**
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1 **COUNCILMEMBER/MAYOR/CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS**

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3 Councilmembers reported on meetings they had attended.

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5 Mayor French gave a brief report.

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7 **ADJOURNMENT**

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9 There being no further business, Mayor French adjourned the meeting at 9:44 p.m.

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14 Tom French, Mayor

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19 Matt McLean, City Clerk