

**City Council Meeting  
Tuesday, October 28, 2025**

**Minutes**

**WORK SESSION**

Councilmember Gotovac convened the work session at 6:30 pm with:

**PRESENT**

Councilmember Linda Gotovac

Councilmember Elaine Klamn

Councilmember John O'Callahan

Councilmember Jason Lawton

Councilmember Jeff Eisel via Skype.

1. Ad Valorem Property Tax for fiscal year 2026.

Thurston County has provided the Assessed Valuation and Property Tax Worksheet for the purpose of calculating and the Ad Valorem Property Tax for fiscal year 2026. The City will hold two Public hearings as required by RCW 84.55 on October 28 and November 11th and is required to pass a resolution adopting the 2026 property tax by November 30, 2025.

C/T Reddick discussed the Ad Valorem Property Tax Levy resolution that will be presented to be adopted in the upcoming public hearings on 11/11/25 and 11/25/25. Projected to ask for 1%.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Councilmember Linda Gotovac convened the regular Council Meeting at 7:30PM with the absence of Mayor Watterson.

**PRESENT**

Councilmember Linda Gotovac

Councilmember Elaine Klamn

Councilmember John O'Callahan

Councilmember Jason Lawton

Councilmember Jeff Eisel

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

2. Agenda Approval

**Recommended Action:** Motion to approve the 10/28/2025 agenda as presented.

Merotion made by Councilmember O'Callahan, Seconded by Councilmember Lawton.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Gotovac, Councilmember Klamn, Councilmember O'Callahan, Councilmember Lawton, Councilmember Eisel.

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Motion passes: 5/0.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

3. Approval of Minutes

**Recommended Action:** Motion to approve the 10/14/2025 minutes as presented.

Motion made by Councilmember O'Callahan, Seconded by Councilmember Lawton.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Gotovac, Councilmember Klamn, Councilmember O'Callahan, Councilmember Lawton, Councilmember Eisel.

Motion passes: 5/0.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

4. Consent Calendar for October 15, 2025 through October 28, 2025 consisting of:

Payroll EFT's in the amount of \$58,748.95 and Claims Checks #33670 through #33689 and EFT's in the amount of \$51,963.62 for a Grand Total of \$110,712.57.

Liquor License Renewals: None

**Recommended Action:** Move to approve the consent calendar as presented.

Motion made by Councilmember O'Callahan, Seconded by Councilmember Lawton.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Gotovac, Councilmember Klamn, Councilmember O'Callahan, Councilmember Lawton, Councilmember Eisel.

Motion passes: 5/0.

### **PRESENTATIONS**

None.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

5. 2026 Annual Budget

State law provides that each municipality hold two Public Hearings prior to budget adoption in order to provide the opportunity for input by the Public. Tonight's hearing will focus primarily upon revenues for the 2026 Budget.

C/T Reddick discussed that the budget is not ready for a Public Hearing. The Public Hearings will be held on 11/11/25 and 11/25/25. The city council has agreed this meeting is just to inform and discuss where the budget adoption is currently.

#### **PROCLAMATIONS**

None.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

None.

#### **ORDINANCES**

None.

#### **REPORTS**

##### **6. Outside Agency**

- 1) Chamber of Commerce - November 19th Tree Lighting on December 5th at the Eagles.
- 2) Economic Development Council (EDC) - Dec 4th, Regional Economic Forecast Innovation Expo.

##### **7. 13. Committees/Commissions**

##### **8. 14. Staff**

5) Clerk/Treasurer - C/T Reddick sent bank statements, there was a system error with one of the transactions so she couldn't get the treasurers report for September. Could not get the report for September, supplied the statement in this meeting. Still waiting on the City Street Fund, waiting on some funds from TIB for the overlay that is why that fund is still showing in the negative.

6) Mayor - Mayor Watterson stated he went to the State Surplus because he knew they had a program for municipalities, they were very positive that they could find us a vehicle for the police, we need to fill out some paperwork and work on some stuff before we look further at that. Early next week he will work on expenditure side and get out to you ASAP.

##### **9. 15. Liaisons**

2) Solid Waste Advisory Board - Councilmember Klamn reported that OPMA will be mandatory every four years that we all have it. Canceling regular meeting needs to be posted on the door and on the webpage. Compactor work starts on October 20th and take 2 weeks to do it.

5) Thurston Regional Planning Council (TRPC) - November 6th, open meeting to meet candidates for the director position.

6) Transportation Policy Board - November 6th, open meeting to meet candidates for the director position.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS 2**

None.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

None.