

MEETING MINUTES

TUMWATER CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
July 14, 2026



CONVENE: 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Leatta Dahlhoff and Councilmembers Peter Agabi, Joan Cathey, Angela Jefferson, Meghan Sullivan, Kelly Von Holtz, and Brandon Weedon.

Excused: Councilmember Eileen Swarthout.

Staff: City Administrator Paul Simmons, Assistant Administrator Kelly Adams, City Attorney Karen Kirkpatrick, Finance Director Troy Niemeyer, Information Technology Project Manager Matt Ames, Parks & Recreation Director Chuck Denney, Water Resources & Sustainability Director Dan Smith, Police Chief Carlos Quiles and City Clerk Melody Valiant.

COUNCIL RULES: Assistant Administrator Adams presented the updated Council Rules, which establishes the procedures and norms for council meetings, activities and working relationships between councilmembers and staff. First established in 2012, the rules have undergone regular amendments, most recently in 2023.

She explained that the updates consist of two categories: minor clerical corrections (e.g., grammar, numbering) that will not be reviewed in detail, and policy revisions that are largely non-substantive. Assistant Administrator Adams led the council and staff through all the policy changes in the documents. Mayor Dahlhoff invited Councilmembers to share their feedback and comments on the proposed changes.

MAYOR/CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Mayor Dahlhoff and Administrator Simmons had no reports.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Dahlhoff adjourned the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

Prepared by City Clerk, Melody Valiant.