

CALL TO ORDER

The March 17, 2026, regular meeting of the Whittier City Council was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Mayor Shen.

OPENING CEREMONY

Mayor Shen led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL

There were present:

Victor Shen, presiding, and
Renner Macal tao, Jamie Loan, Peter Denmark, Tom Wagner and Lorianne Borg,
comprising a quorum of the Board.

And Absent:

David Pinquoch

Also Present:

Jackie C. Wilde, City Manager (virtual)
Nicholas Cooley, Fire/EMS Captain
David Borg, Harbormaster
Andre Achee, Police Chief
Shelby Carlson, Assistant City Manager/Acting City Clerk

A moment of silence was observed for the passing of a Millie Suli.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON ANY SUBJECT EXCEPT THOSE ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING – None

APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Motion (Denmark/Macal tao) Approve Agenda and Consent Agenda

Borg removed Item 6, Resolution 2026-013, from the consent agenda.

Motion Passed **Unanimous**

Items Approved on Consent Agenda:

5. Resolution 2026-012 Amending Resolution 2026-006 to Change the Date of the Board of Equalization Hearing

7. Approval of the January 20, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes

8. Confirming Reappointment to Prince William Sound Regional Citizens' Advisory Council Board of Directors - Mike Bender

CONFLICT OF INTEREST – None

PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

Presentations – None

Mayor Report – None

Vice Mayor Report – None

City Manager Report – Wilde invited Cherie Curry and Chuck Kopp to provide an update on the USS Ted Stevens and Representative Ky Holland on the state legislative session and House Bill 216, the bill that authorizes the Alaska Railroad Corporation to transfer lands to the City of Whittier. **Carlson** shared an update on Whittier’s Brownfields program.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION – None

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2026-013 Regarding the Request by GOOD LLC d/b/a GOOD Cannabis for a One-Year Extension of the City's Conditional Protest of its State of Alaska Retail Marijuana Store License Application

Motion (Wagner/Denmark) Approve **Resolution 2026-013**.

Carlson provided a staff report. General discussion given.

Motion (Denmark/Wagner) Postpone **Resolution 2026-013** indefinitely.

Motion to Postpone Passed **Unanimous**

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Request to Reschedule May Council Meeting

Motion (Denmark/Wagner) **Reschedule May Council Meeting to May 26, 2026**

General discussion given.

Motion Approved **Unanimous**

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Wagner requested Council’s approval for him to work with the City Manager to prepare a sale of city lands. General discussion given.

Motion (Wagner/Borg)

Direct Administration to work with Council to prepare a resolution for a future city land sale.

Motion Passed

Unanimous

Shen shared his recent experience traveling to interior Alaska over Spring Break and meeting with various cities along the way. He thanked Council and staff for their hard work, for having the City's finances in order, and for thinking outside the box.

CITIZEN DISCUSSION

Mike Bender thanked the Council for their continued support in reconfirming him as Whittier's board representative on the Prince William Sound Regional Citizens' Advisory Council. He announced the fall meeting is on September 17-18, 2026, in Whittier's Council Chambers.

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATION RESPONSE TO CITIZEN COMMENTS – None

EXECUTIVE SESSION – None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Shelby Carlson
Acting City Clerk

Victor Shen
Mayor

(City Seal)