

GENERAL GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
MAY 23, 2023
9:30 A.M. – 10:07 A.M.
REMOTE AND IN PERSON

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COUNCIL PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBER GREENSTEIN (CHAIR), MAYOR RYDER (REMOTE)
COUNCILMEMBER KUNKEL

STAFF PRESENT: RICK WALK, MATT SHARP, DAVE SCHNEIDER, PERI EDMONDS, ELISSA FONTAINE, TABETHA RESTOULE

ACTION: APPROVE THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AGENDA
MOTION: MOTION MADE, SECONDED, AND CARRIED BY MAYOR RYDER AND
COUNCILMEMBER KUNKEL

AMENDMENT TO LACEY MUNICIPAL CODE 9.12.060 - HARASSMENT

STAFF: MATT SHARP, ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY
ACTION: RECOMMEND FORWARDING THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO THE FULL COUNCIL
FOR CONSIDERATION.
MOTION: MOTION MADE, SECONDED, AND CARRIED BY COUNCILMEMBER KUNKEL AND
MAYOR RYDER.

The Washington State Supreme Court reviewed the constitutionality of the “mental health” provision of the state statute in the case *State v. Williams*, 144 Wn.2d 197 (2001). The court held that this portion of the state statute was unconstitutional due to vagueness and overbreadth.

During the 2023 legislative session, SSB 5087 passed (effective July 23, 2023, with the relevant portion removed).

City staff recommend updating Section 9.12.060 of the Lacey Municipal Code to comply with the *Williams* ruling and conform to the recently amended RCW 9A.46.020.

BEHAVIORAL NUISANCE ORDINANCE

STAFF: DAVE SCHNEIDER, CITY ATTORNEY
ACTION: INFORMATIONAL ONLY

Staff reviewed potential changes to the Lacey Municipal Code as it pertains to behavioral nuisances.

Nuisances are defined specifically throughout the Lacey Municipal Code in various areas such as criminal code, land use, animals, etc.

The behavioral nuisance ordinance is more specific too the different types of conduct that would be occurring on a property that the city would also like to have categorize as a nuisance and also have these sorts of activities be eligible for a civil violation.

Staff is looking to have a full completed ordinance to bring to full council for recommendation by end of June.

COUNCIL POLICIES-PROCEDURES MANUAL UPDATES:

STAFF: PERI EDMONDS, CITY CLERK
ELISSA FONTAINE, DEPUTY CITY CLERK
ACTION: RECOMMEND FORWARDING THE PROPOSED COUNCIL POLICIES-PROCEDURES MANUAL UPDATES FOR CHAPTERS 7 AND 9 TO THE FULL COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION.
MOTION: MOTION MADE, SECONDED, AND CARRIED BY COUNCILMEMBER KUNKEL AND MAYOR RYDER.

Staff provided an overview of recommended policy changes in Chapters 7 and 9 of the Council Policies-Procedures Manual relating to order of business, electronic voting, and housekeeping items.

The Committee directed staff to add to a future Worksession a discussion about the City Council meeting scheduled.