



Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Meeting Approved Minutes Thursday, October 9, 2025 - Executive Board Room and Online

1. Call to Order

Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Malcolm Miller, Chair; Ruth Weigelt; Chad Carpenter (remote); Annie Reinhardt; and Andrew Shin (present after 4:45 p.m.)

STAFF PRESENT: Shannon Kelley-Fong, Assistant City Manager; Sadie Siglin, Management Analyst; and Paul J. White, Deputy City Clerk

3. Land Acknowledgement

Chair Miller presented the abbreviated Land Acknowledgment.

4. Approval of Agenda, Previous Meeting Minutes, and Consent Items

- A. Agenda
- B. Minutes of September 25, 2025

Committee Member Weigelt moved to approve 1) the agenda and 2) the minutes of September 25, 2025. Committee Member Reinhardt seconded. The motion carried.

5. Public Comment

No one signed up to speak in person or remotely, and no written public comments were received.

6. Business Items

- A. 2026 Lodging Tax Funding Interviews

Siglin facilitated the 2026 Lodging Tax Funding Applicant presentations. Applicants presented their proposed activities for 2026 and answered questions from the committee. Siglin noted that a presentation from the South Sound Estuary Association would not take place. The following applicants provided presentations at the request of the Committee:

1. **Lacey Museum**
City of Lacey
2. **Olympia/Lacey Fan Zone**
Thurston County Chamber of Commerce
Committee Member Carpenter was recused during this presentation.
3. **Lacey PolyFest**
Polynesian Association of Thurston County
4. **Nisqually Reach Nature Center**

Committee Member Shin was present after 4:45 p.m.
5. **Experience Olympia and Beyond**
Visitor and Convention Bureau of Thurston County
6. **Lacey Holiday Market**
SWAE LLC
7. **Holiday Market**
Lacey South Sound Chamber
8. **South Sound BBQ Festival**
Lacey South Sound Chamber
9. **Lacey South Sound Chamber Visitor Center**
Lacey South Sound Chamber

7. Adjourn

Chair Miller adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Approved October 16, 2025