



## Lacey City Council Worksession Approved Minutes

Tuesday, March 10, 2026

Council Chambers and Online

### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Ryder called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

### 2. Roll Call

#### Council Present

Mayor Andy Ryder

Deputy Mayor Malcolm Miller

Councilmember Lenny Greenstein

Councilmember Carolyn Cox (remote)

Councilmember Nicolas Dunning

Councilmember Maren Turner

Councilmember Ryan Siu

#### Staff Present

Rick Walk, City Manager

Scott Egger, Public Works Director

Aubrey Collier, City Engineer

Jamie Conner, Project Manager

Martin Hoppe, Transportation Manager

Chelsea Knight, Acting Financial Services Manager

Michelle Chavez, Human Services Coordinator

Brandy Legomina, Deputy City Clerk

### 3. Land Acknowledgement

Mayor Ryder presented the abbreviated Land Acknowledgement.

### 4. Approval of the Agenda

**Councilmember Greenstein moved to approve the agenda. Deputy Mayor Miller seconded. The motion carried.**

### 5. Public Comment

Verbal Public Comment

No one signed up to speak at the meeting.

One (1) person registered to speak remotely.

Karen Messmer, Thurston Climate Action Team Active Transportation Group, commented in favor of supporting sidewalk maintenance and capital walking projects with the renewal of the Transportation Benefit District.

Written Public Comment

One (1) written public comment was received.

**6. Agenda Items**

**A. 2025 Carryover Budget Amendment Briefing**

Chelsea Knight, Acting Financial Services Manager

Knight presented the 2025 Carryover Budget Amendment. This amendment would allow funds from previously approved projects that were not finished or fully spent to be used in the next fiscal year. The carryover amount cannot be increased, and the account code must stay the same. Knight explained the carryover rules and summarized the eligible requests. The amendment will be implemented by ordinance and is scheduled for Council consideration on March 17, 2026. Discussion ensued.

**B. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Project Recommendations**

Michelle Chavez, Human Services Coordinator

Chavez presented the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) project recommendations. The approved 2025 Annual Action Plan allocates \$348,393 to be spent on public facilities and infrastructure. The Human Services Commission recommends using \$313,554 for accessibility and sidewalk improvements at Huntamer Park, with the Lacey Senior Center expansion project, focused on parking and accessibility improvements, being a backup option. The remaining \$34,839 (10%) will be used for administration of the CDBG program. Project recommendations are scheduled for Council consideration at a future date.

**C. 2025 State of the Streets Report**

Aubrey Collier, City Engineer

Martin Hoppe, Transportation Manager

Jamie Conner, Project Manager

Conner presented the 2025 State of the Streets Report. This report showed an average Pavement Condition Index (PCI) score of 84.6, details on newly annexed streets, and an overview of key 2024/2025 projects, including Yelm Highway rehabilitation, Pacific/Homann roundabout improvements and sharrow (shared

lane arrow) striping, carryover crack sealing from 2023, Golf Club Road water and wastewater work, and 8th Avenue rehabilitation. Project metrics were reported in terms of construction costs, lane miles, and asphalt tons. Budget scenarios: unfunded, funded, and maintained were outlined and upcoming projects, including Willamette Drive improvements and the College Street Expansion project, were noted.

**D. Transportation Benefit District (TBD) Briefing**

Scott Egger, Public Works Director  
Aubrey Collier, City Engineer

Egger and Collier presented the Transportation Benefit District (TBD) Renewal. The TBD is a funding tool allowed by Washington state law that helps local governments pay for transportation projects beyond what is provided by the general fund and gas taxes. Voters first approved the TBD in 2017 with a 0.2% sales tax, which increased to 0.3% in 2022. The TBD is set to expire in 2027. Discussion included when the renewal could go on the ballot, what the ballot measure might say about how the money can be used, and examples of TBD revenue distribution.

**E. Council Reports**

City Council

Councilmember Cox provided a report from the Intercity Transit Authority.

Councilmember Siu provided a report from the Solid Waste Advisory Committee.

**7. Adjourn**

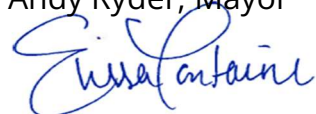
Mayor Ryder adjourned the meeting at 7:41 p.m.

**MAYOR:**



Andy Ryder, Mayor

**ATTEST:**



Elissa Fontaine, City Clerk

**APPROVED:** April 7, 2026