



## Lacey City Council Approved Worksession Minutes

Tuesday, April 28, 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 (remote)  
Councilmember Carolyn Cox  
Councilmember Nicolas Dunning  
Councilmember Maren Turner  
Councilmember Ryan Siu

#### Staff Present

Rick Walk, City Manager  
Shannon Kelley-Fong, Assistant City Manager  
Dave Schneider, City Attorney  
Troy Woo, Finance Director  
Shanelle Pierce, Special Projects Administrator  
Paul J. White, Deputy City Clerk

### 3. Land Acknowledgement

Mayor Ryder presented the abbreviated Land Acknowledgement.

### 4. Approval of the Agenda

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

### 5. Public Comment

No one registered to speak, and no written comments were received.

### 6. Agenda Items

#### A. **Proclamation: Child Abuse Prevention Month**

Shelly Willis, Executive Director, Family Education and Support Services

The City Council proclaimed April 2026 Child Abuse Prevention Month. Willis was present to accept the proclamation.

**B. Six Remnant Defendants National Opioid Settlement**

Dave Schneider, City Attorney

Schneider presented a new opioid settlement agreement with six defendants not previously named, described as "remnant defendants." Schneider explained that this settlement does not involve states, and that the One Washington Memorandum of Understanding is not applicable to it. The settlement is smaller than prior opioid settlements and funds would be used for opioid mitigation. A participation agreement is required, and Lacey's projected settlement amount is estimated to be \$5,186.03.

**Mayor Ryder moved to authorize the City Manager to execute all documents necessary for the City to participate in settlements with the Remnant Defendants. Deputy Mayor Miller seconded. The motion carried.**

**C. YMCA Facility Update**

Kyle Cronk, President, South Sound YMCA

Sarah Clinton, Executive Director of Advancement, South Sound YMCA

Jake Grater, Executive Director Thurston Branch Operations, South Sound YMCA

Dr. Kelly Golob

Cronk presented an update on the proposed South Sound YMCA facility in Lacey, noting the need for indoor recreation space in the community and providing concept drawings for a new facility on Yelm Highway. Cronk stressed the need for strong community partnerships to open and sustain a new YMCA and compared the organization's proposal in Lacey to their Shelton, Washington, facility. Feasibility and equitable access were discussed.

**D. Public Art Donation Policy Briefing**

Shannon Kelley-Fong, Assistant City Manager

Shanelle Pierce, Special Projects Administrator

Pierce provided a review of the City's current art donation policy, found in Section 10.03 of the City Council Policies and Procedures manual. A proposed revision includes provisions for private art donations and sets associated guidelines and standards. Pierce gave an overview of the proposed donation criteria and process, which would include review by an Arts Committee and City Council approval for donations with a value of more than \$7,500. The proposed policy update was reviewed by the Commission on Equity, Parks, Culture, and Recreation Board, Historical Commission, and Lacey Youth Council before presentation to the City Council. Councilmembers discussed the proposed policy update, and an additional presentation is expected.

**E. 2026 Budget Amendment Briefing**

Troy Woo, Finance Director

Woo presented proposed amendments to the 2026 budget. Various adjustments to the General Fund, Special Funds, Capital Funds, and Internal Service Funds were itemized and reflect increases to revenue sources as well as new expenditures. The total budget amendment is estimated at about \$9.6 million and will be presented for adoption by ordinance at a future City Council meeting.

**F. Council Reports**

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Deputy Mayor Miller provided reports from the Joint Animal Services Commission, Economic Development Council, and Lodging Tax Advisory Committee.

Councilmember Cox provided reports from the Lacey-Olympia-Tumwater-Thurston Clean Water Alliance and the Intercity Transit Authority.

Councilmember Dunning provided reports from the Olympia-Lacey-Tumwater Visitor & Convention Bureau and Regional Housing Council.

Councilmember Turner provided a report from the Thurston Regional Planning Council. Turner commented on the Readers are Leaders event, Enterprise for Equity open house, and her recognition by the NAACP as a black woman leader in Thurston County.

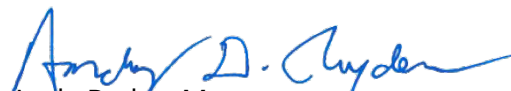
Councilmember Siu provided a report from the Thurston County Law and Justice Council and the Regional Housing Council and commented on a tour of the Lacey-Olympia-Tumwater-Thurston Clean Water Alliance facility.

Mayor Ryder commented on his presentation to students at Timberline High School, the Three Cities meeting, an Arbor Day celebration in Yelm, and the Thurston Regional Planning Council. Ryder acknowledged the passing of Senator Sam Hunt on April 26.

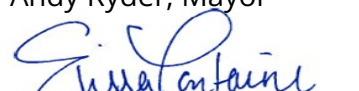
**7. Adjourn**

Mayor Ryder adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

**MAYOR:**

  
Andy Ryder, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
Elissa Fontaine, City Clerk

**APPROVED:** May 19, 2026