



City Council Regular Meeting Approved Minutes

Tuesday, July 21, 2026

Council Chambers and Online

1. Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Miller called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Council Present

Deputy Mayor Malcolm Miller
Councilmember Lenny Greenstein
Councilmember Carolyn Cox
Councilmember Nicolas Dunning
Councilmember Maren Turner
Councilmember Ryan Siu (remote)

Council Excused

Mayor Andy Ryder

Staff Present

Rick Walk, City Manager
Dave Schneider, City Attorney
Hans Shepherd, Senior Planner
Jennifer Adams, Housing Coordinator
Chris Stolberg, Transportation Engineer
Paul J. White, Deputy City Clerk

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Deputy Mayor Miller led the flag salute.

4. Land Acknowledgement

Deputy Mayor Miller presented the abbreviated Land Acknowledgement.

5. Approval of Agenda and Consent Agenda Items

- A. Worksession Minutes June 23, 2026
- B. Council Informational Meeting Minutes July 7, 2026

- C. Council Meeting Minutes July 7, 2026
- D. Payment of claims, wages, and transfers for June 26 through July 10, 2026
- E. Ordinance 1703: LMC Chapter 1.08.010 Official Newspaper
- F. Resolution 1183: Official Newspaper Designation
- G. 2026 CDBG Annual Action Plan Approval

Councilmember Greenstein moved to approve the agenda and consent agenda items. Councilmember Dunning seconded. The motion carried.

6. Public Comment

Verbal Public Comment

One (1) person signed up to speak at the meeting.

Carol Colleran, Lakewood resident, commented on the parking impacts of the Lacey Night Market on the Lacey Downs.

Following consideration of Item 7(b), Resolution 1184: 2027 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program, without objection, the City Council received one additional public comment:

Ibrahim Dembele, Executive Director of the Women's Dignity School, invited councilmembers and the public to a West African Community Cultural Gathering on August 8, 2026, at Huntamer Park.

Written Public Comment

Two (2) written public comments were received.

7. Agenda Items

A. Advisory Board Reappointment: Andrew Shin, Lodging Tax Advisory Committee

Malcolm Miller, Deputy Mayor

Councilmember Greenstein moved to approve the reappointment of Andrew Shin to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee. Councilmember Cox seconded. The motion carried.

B. Resolution 1184: 2027 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program

Chris Stolberg, Transportation Engineer

Stolberg presented the 2027 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Updated annually with public input, the TIP is the City's near-term plan for transportation capital projects. Stolberg described the project categories outlined in the TIP and its relationship to regional and state transportation improvement plans. The Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on the TIP on June 10,

2026, after which it recommended Council approval. Updates for the 2027 TIP were highlighted, including a three percent (3%) increase in the Construction Cost Index. It was reported that although the College Street Extension project is essentially complete, it remains on the Mitigation List for the period during which the City can still collect mitigation fees for private developments that add vehicle trips to the corridor.

Councilmember Greenstein moved to adopt Resolution 1184, adopting the 2027 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program and the Transportation Improvement Mitigation List, as presented. Councilmember Dunning seconded. The motion carried.

C. Ordinance 1704: Infill Residential Development Regulations & LMC Amendments for Child Care Centers, Parking Update, and Conversion of Existing Buildings

Hans Shepherd, Senior Planner

Jennifer Adams, Housing Coordinator

Adams and Shepherd presented Ordinance No. 1704, which amends the Lacey Municipal Code to align with recent state development mandates. Preemptive state legislation described in the City Council presentation on June 23, 2026, was listed. Changes and associated municipal code revisions address middle housing, accessory dwelling units, housing types, the number of dwelling units allowed per lot, permitted zones for child-care centers and mini-storage, removal of parking requirements, and removal of development requirements when converting buildings from commercial to residential uses. Updates affect Titles 11, 14, and 16 of the Lacey Municipal Code. If not adopted, state law would preempt conflicting, existing, local regulations.

Councilmember Greenstein announced his intention to abstain from the vote on the resolution and stated the reason for abstaining.

Councilmember Dunning moved to adopt Ordinance 1704, amending the Lacey Municipal Code consistent with state-required amendments related to parking, daycare centers, conversion of existing buildings, and infill residential development, as presented. Councilmember Siu seconded.

The motion carried, 5-0:

In favor: Miller, Cox, Dunning, Turner, Siu

Opposed: None

Abstaining: Greenstein

8. City Manager's Report

The City Manager did not present any reports.

9. Mayor's Report

Mayor Ryder was excused and no report was provided.

10. Council Reports

A. Deputy Mayor Malcolm Miller

Deputy Mayor Miller did not provide any reports.

B. Councilmember Lenny Greenstein

Councilmember Greenstein did not provide any reports.

C. Councilmember Carolyn Cox

Councilmember Cox provided a report from the Intercity Transit Authority.

D. Councilmember Nicolas Dunning

Councilmember Dunning did not provide any reports.

E. Councilmember Maren Turner

Councilmember Turner provided reports from the Nisqually River Council and the Thurston Regional Planning Council and commented on the Capital Lakefair Parade and the launch of her new councilmember Facebook page.

F. Councilmember Ryan Siu

Councilmember Siu provided a report from the Olympic Region Clean Air Agency.

11. Adjourn

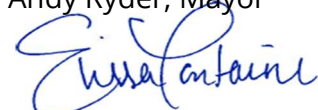
Deputy Mayor Miller adjourned the meeting at 7 p.m.

MAYOR:



Andy Ryder, Mayor

ATTEST:



Elissa Fontaine, City Clerk

APPROVED: August 3, 2026