

**CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
May 14, 2026**

It is noted that this meeting was held in person in the City Council Chambers and remotely via Zoom.

Councilmembers present: Tracy Furutani, Deputy Mayor; Larry Goldman, Vice Chair; Paula Goode, Matt Muilenburg, Semra Riddle, Josh Rosenau (via Zoom), Ellyn Saunders

Councilmembers absent: none

Staff present: Tom French, Mayor; Phillip Hill, City Administrator; Kim Adams Pratt, City Attorney; Lindsey Vaughn, Finance Director; Mike Harden, Police Chief; Nova Heaton, Public Works Director; Mark Hofman, Community Development Director; Cory Mattson, Community Programs Planner; Jennifer Grant, Municipal Court Judge; Matt McLean, City Clerk

Others present: Dr. Kelly Kinnison & William Towey,
King County Regional Homelessness Authority
26 visitors

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor French called the regular City Council meeting of May 14, 2026, to order at 7:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor French led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Cmbr. Riddle moved to adopt the agenda. **Cmbr. Goode seconded.**

Cmbr. Riddle moved to amend the agenda, moving item 6.B: Recognizing May 11-17, 2026 as National Police Week & May 15, 2026 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day to precede item 5.A: Swearing of LFPPD Officer and Sergeant. **The motion to approve the agenda as amended carried unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor French invited comments from the public.

Sabrie Lika – Small Business Administration loans for disaster recovery from the December 2025 flooding.

Sarah Phillips – update on the Town Hall on May 20, 2026.

There being no one else in the audience wishing to speak, Mayor French closed public comment.

PROCLAMATION

Recognizing May 11-17, 2026 as National Police Week & May 15, 2026 as Peace Officer’s Memorial Day

Cmbr. Riddle read the proclamation.

PRESENTATIONS

Swearing in of Lake Forest Park Police Officer Natalie Alvarado-Lopez and Sergeant Austin Gutwein

Chief Harden introduced entry-level hire, Ethan Warner. He will be attending the Police Academy in August 2026.

Chief Harden introduced Officer Natalie Alvarado-Lopez, a new exceptional hire. Judge Grant administered the oath of office.

Chief Harden introduced the department’s two detectives – Detective Juan Robles and Detective Brandon Carlsrud.

Chief Harden introduced the promotion of Officer Austin Gutwein to Sergeant. Judge Grant administered the oath of office.

King County Regional Homelessness Authority Update

Dr. Kinnison and Mr. Towey gave a presentation and responded to Council questions.

PROCLAMATIONS

Recognizing May 16-22, 2026 as Safe Boating & Paddling Week

Mayor French read the proclamation.

Recognizing May 17-23, 2026 as National Public Works Week

Deputy Mayor Furutani read the proclamation.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Deputy Mayor Furutani moved to approve the Consent Calendar. **Cmbr. Riddle seconded. The motion to approve the Consent Calendar carried unanimously.**

- A. March 19, 2026 Budget & Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
- B. April 20, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting Notes
- C. April 23, 2026 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
- D. Voided Check Nos. 89137 through 89202, an Accounts Payable dated 5/14/2026 Claim Fund Check Nos. 89203 through 89268 in the amount of \$499,910.41, a 4/8/2026 Payroll Fund ACH transaction in the amount of \$244,034.67, a 4/23/2027 Payroll Fund ACH transaction in the amount of \$216,507.23, a 4/23/2026 Direct Deposit transaction in the amount of \$231,141.20, and a 5/8/2026 Direct Deposit transaction in the amount of \$234,748.05. Additional approved transactions: Elavon, \$1,089.88; WexBank, \$144.16; US Bank Statement, \$69,698.13. Total approved claim fund transactions: \$1,497,273.73.
- E. Resolution 26-2071/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Agreement for Award of Local Hazardous Waste Management Grant Funds for 2026-2027 Between King County and the City of Lake Forest Park
- F. Resolution 26-2072/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Interagency Agreement for the 2026-2027 Waste Reduction & Recycling Grant Program Between King County and the City of Lake Forest Park

OLD BUSINESS

Resolution 26-2070/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign Amendment No. 2 to AG-24-026 with Facet for the Phase 2 Lakefront Improvements for Design, Engineering, Environmental Review, and Permitting Project

Director Hofman gave a brief introduction and responded to Council questions.

Deputy Mayor Furutani moved to approve Resolution 26-2070/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign Amendment No. 2 to AG-24-026 with Facet for the Phase 2 Lakefront Improvements for Design, Engineering, Environmental Review, and Permitting Project. **Cmbr. Riddle seconded.**

Deputy Mayor Furutani moved to waive the three-touch rule regarding Resolution 26-2070. **Cmbr. Riddle seconded. The motion to waive the three-touch rule carried unanimously.**

The motion to approve Resolution 26-2070 carried unanimously.

Ordinance 26-1316/Amending the 2026 Budgeted Positions and Salary Schedule to Add a Program Executive – Limited Term Employee

Administrator Hill gave a brief presentation and responded to Council questions.

Deputy Mayor Furutani moved to adopt Ordinance 26-1316/Amending the 2026 Budgeted Positions and Salary Schedule to Add a Program Executive – Limited Term Employee. **Cmbr. Saunders seconded.**

Deputy Mayor Furutani moved to waive the three-touch rule regarding Ordinance 26-1316. **Cmbr. Riddle seconded. The motion to waive the three-touch rule carried unanimously.**

The motion to adopt Ordinance 26-1316 carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Transportation Improvement Program for the Calendar Years 2027-2032

Director Heaton gave a brief presentation and responded to Council questions.

This will be brought back at future meetings.

Resolution 26-2073/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Purchased Services Agreement with Buenavista Services, Inc. for Janitorial Services

Director Heaton gave a brief presentation and responded to Council questions.

Vice Chair Goldman moved to waive the three-touch rule regarding Resolution 26-2073/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Purchased Services Agreement with Buenavista Services, Inc. for Janitorial Services. **Deputy Mayor Furutani seconded. The motion to waive the three-touch rule carried unanimously.**

Vice Chair Goldman moved to approve Resolution 26-2073. **Cmbr. Riddle seconded. The motion carried unanimously.**

Resolution 26-2074/Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract for Prosecution Services with Sarah Roberts, PLLC

Administrator Hill gave a brief presentation and responded to Council questions.

This will be brought back at a future meeting.

COUNCILMEMBER/MAYOR/CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

Councilmembers reported on meetings they had attended.

Mayor French gave a brief report.

Administrator Hill gave a brief report.

OTHER BUSINESS

Cmbr. Riddle reminded Council and the public of the upcoming Budget & Finance Committee meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor French adjourned the meeting at 9:56 p.m.

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Tom French, Mayor

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Matt McLean, City Clerk