

**CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 26, 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; Ellyn Saunders (via Zoom)

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; Mark Hofman, Community Development Director (via Zoom); Chris Korwel, Stormwater Program Coordinator; Matt McLean, City Clerk

Others present: 15 visitors

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor French called the regular City Council meeting of February 26, 2026, to order at 7:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor French led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Furutani moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Cmbr. Goode seconded. The motion to approve the agenda as presented carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor French invited comments from the public.

- Jerry Effenberger on Seattle City Light's low-income discount.
- Alan Kiest on Resolution 26-2061.
- Julian Andersen on Resolution 26-2061 and appreciating the natural world.

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

PRESENTATIONS

Department of Natural Resources

Commissioner of Public Lands Dave Upthegrove gave a brief presentation honoring the late Deputy Mayor Lorri Bodi – the Department of Natural Resources will be planting a Douglas-fir tree in her honor.

Swearing-In of New Lake Forest Park Police Officer Conner Ivey

Chief Harden introduced new Lake Forest Park Police Officer Connor Ivey. Mayor French administered the oath of office.

Tree Board Annual Report and Work Plan for 2026

Tree Board Chair Mark Phillips gave a brief presentation and responded to Council questions.

Planning Commission Annual Report and Work Plan for 2026

Planning Commissioners Maddy Larson and David Kleweno responded to Council questions. Director Hofman gave a brief overview of Planning Commission accomplishments in 2025.

PROCLAMATIONS

Recognizing March 2026 as Women’s History Month

Cmbr. Goode read the proclamation.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Cmbr Riddle moved to approve the Consent Calendar. **Cmbr. Muilenburg seconded. The motion to approve the Consent Calendar carried unanimously.**

- A. Resolution 26-2063/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign Amendment No. 1 to AG-24-2026 with Facet for the Phase 2 Lakefront Improvements for Design, Engineering, Environmental Review, and Permitting Project
- B. An Accounts Payable dated 2/26/2026 Claim Fund Check Nos. 88843 through 88896 in the amount of \$279,713.70, a 2/6/2026 Payroll Fund ACH transaction in the amount of \$237,716.58. Additional approved ACH transactions: Elavon, \$820.59; Invoice Cloud, \$1,307.55; State of Washington, \$12,174.51; US Bank, \$58,741.62; US Bank, \$33,487.91. Total approved claim fund transactions: \$623,962.46.
- C. Reappoint David Kleweno to the Planning Commission, Position 2, with a term ending 2/28/2029

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR INTRODUCTION/REFERRAL

Resolution 26-2065/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the King Conservation District Member Jurisdiction Grant

Mr. Korwel gave a brief introduction and responded to Council questions.

Deputy Mayor Furutani moved to waive the three-touch rule regarding Resolution 26-2065/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the King Conservation District Member Jurisdiction Grant. **Cmbr. Muilenburg seconded. The motion carried with Vice Chair Goldman abstaining.**

Deputy Mayor Furutani moved to approve Resolution 26-2065/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the King Conservation District Member Jurisdiction Grant. **Cmbr. Goode seconded. The motion to approve Resolution 26-2065 carried unanimously.**

Resolution 26-2066/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Second Amendment and Extension to the Professional Services Agreement with SAFEbuilt Washington, LLC for Municipal Building Services Coverage

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

This will be brought back at a future meeting.

Resolution 26-2067/Authorizing the Chief of Police to Reestablish the Position of One Motor Officer at LFPPD; Fund the Pay Increase; and Purchase One Traffic Enforcement Police Motorcycle, Additional Enforcement Equipment, Protective Clothing, and Motor Officer's Basic Training

Chief Harden gave a brief presentation and responded to Council questions.

Deputy Mayor Furutani moved to waive the three-touch rule regarding Resolution 26-2067/Authorizing the Chief of Police to Reestablish the Position of One Motor Officer at LFPPD; Fund the Pay Increase; and Purchase One Traffic Enforcement Police Motorcycle, Additional Enforcement Equipment, Protective Clothing, and Motor Officer's Basic Training. **Cmbr. Riddle seconded.**

Vice Chair Goldman moved to amend the motion to place Resolution 26-2067 on the Consent Calendar for March 12, 2026. **Deputy Mayor Furutani seconded. The motion to amend carried unanimously.**

The amended motion to waive the three-touch rule and place Resolution 26-2067 on the Consent Calendar for the March 12, 2026 Regular Council meeting carried unanimously.

Councilmember Saunders left the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION

Resolution 26-2061/Reaffirming the City of Lake Forest Park's Commitment to Community Policing, De-Escalation, and the Protection of Constitutional Rights

Vice Chair Goldman gave a brief introduction.

Mayor French called for a five-minute recess at 8:36 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 8:41 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Furutani moved to approve Resolution 26-2061/Reaffirming the City of Lake Forest Park's Commitment to Community Policing, De-Escalation, and the Protection of Constitutional Rights. **Vice Chair Goldman seconded. The motion carried unanimously.**

OTHER BUSINESS

Cmbr. Riddle gave a brief schedule overview regarding budget considerations for a potential levy.

Vice Chair Goldman solicited volunteers for a sub-committee to discuss Neighborhood Business Zones. Cmbrs. Riddle, Rosenau, and Goode will make up the sub-committee.

COUNCILMEMBER/MAYOR/CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

Councilmembers reported on meetings they attended.


Mayor French gave a brief report.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor French adjourned the meeting at 8:52 p.m.

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Tom French, Mayor

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Matt McLean, City Clerk