

**CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 13, 2025**

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

Councilmembers present: Lorri Bodi, Deputy Mayor; Tracy Furutani, Vice Chair; Paula Goode (via Zoom), Larry Goldman, Jon Lebo, Semra Riddle (via Zoom), Ellyn Saunders (via Zoom)

Councilmembers absent: none

Staff present: Tom French, Mayor; Phillip Hill, City Administrator; Ann Marie Soto, City Attorney (via Zoom); Mike Harden, Police Chief; Lindsey Vaughn, Finance Director; Rebecca Dickinson, Public Works Director; Mark Hofman, Community Development Director (via Zoom); Jennifer Johnson Grant, Municipal Court Judge; Matt McLean, City Clerk

Others present: 38 visitors

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor French called the February 13, 2025, City Council regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor French led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor French invited comments from the audience. The following people provided comments to the City Council:

- Daryl Scheibel – advocating for 35 mph speed limit on all of SR 522
- Julie Turnell – Concerns about impacts to neighborhood streets from numerous upcoming regional transportation projects.
- John Drew – Continued transportation project concerns.

- Jeff Snedden – Sound Transit using bad calculations; in favor of abandoning BAT lane from 153rd to 165th. CORE to hold a press briefing on February 22, 2025.
- Jack Tonkin – Sound Transit missing due diligence to bore and test around Bschet’la Creek ravine and SR 522
- Ryan Burgess – hears the community’s concerns about emergency services access regarding all of the aforementioned. Shoreline Fire Department will be aware of any issues.
- Bob Bracht – Allocate funds for more aggressive tree trimming around power lines to reduce the number of power outages.
- Don Fiene – spoke about the life-safety responsibilities of Sound Transit and its contractors during the construction of the new BRT lane

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

Mayor French called for a five-minute recess.

PROCLAMATIONS

Cmbr. Goldman read a proclamation recognizing February 2025 as Black History Month.

Cmbr. Furutani read a proclamation recognizing February 19, 2025, as Day of Remembrance.

PRESENTATIONS

Swearing in of new Lake Forest Park Police Officer Michael Rizk

Chief Harden introduced Officer Michael “Mike” Rizk and Judge Grant administered the Oath of Office. Officer Rizk’s family participated in a pinning ceremony.

CONSENT CALENDAR

**Cmbr. Goldman moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Cmbr. Furutani seconded.
The motion to approve the Consent Calendar carried unanimously.**

- January 16, 2025, Budget & Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
- January 23, 2025, Committee of the Whole Special Meeting Notes
- January 23, 2025, City Council Meeting Minutes
- February 6, 2025, City Council Special Meeting Minutes
- Pre-Paid Accounts Payable dated 1/24/25 Claim Fund Check No. 87282 in the amount of \$6,808.99, an Accounts Payable dated 2/13/25 Claim Fund Check Nos. 87283 through 87342 in the amount of \$457,114.49, a 1/8/25 Payroll Fund ACH transaction in the amount of \$210,346.11 and a 1/8/25 Direct Deposit transaction in the amount of

\$201,597.47. Additional approved transactions: Elavon, \$892.49; State of Washington, \$10,089.31; State of Washington, \$1,540.80; US Bank Credit Card, \$33,341.73. Total approved claim fund transactions: \$921,731.39.

- F. Resolution 25-2006/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Agreement with Hopestream Community for Substance Abuse Education, Support, and Resources for Calendar Years 2025-2026.

RESOLUTION 25-1997/Adopting a Capital Improvement Plan Update for 2025-2030

Administrator Hill presented the item and responded to questions.

Deputy Mayor Bodi moved to approve Resolution 25-1997/Adopting a Capital Improvement Plan Update for 2025-2030. **Cmbr. Riddle seconded. The motion to approve Resolution 25-1997 carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION 25-2004/Declaring Vehicles as Surplus Property and Authorizing Their Sale at Public Auction or by Direct Sale

Administrator Hill gave a brief presentation regarding the surplus items and responded to questions.

Cmbr. Lebo moved to suspend the three-touch rule for Resolution 25-2004. **Cmbr. Furutani seconded. The motion to waive the three-touch rule carried unanimously.**

Cmbr. Lebo moved to approve Resolution 25-2004/Declaring Vehicles as Surplus Property and Authorizing Their Sale at Public Auction or by Direct Sale. **Cmbr. Riddle seconded. The motion to approve Resolution 25-2004 carried unanimously.**

OTHER BUSINESS

Cmbr. Furutani reminded councilmembers of the Council Retreat on March 1, 2025.

COUNCILMEMBER/MAYOR/CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

Councilmembers reported on meetings they had attended.

Mayor French gave a brief report.

Administrator Hill introduced Public Works Director Dickinson.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Performance of a Public Employee pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)

The City Council went into an Executive Session at 8:30 p.m. for approximately 15 minutes to discuss the Performance of a Public Employee pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g).

The Council returned from the Executive Session at 8:45 p.m. No announcements were made, and no action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor French adjourned the meeting at 8:46 p.m.

Thomas French
Thomas French (Mar 1, 2025 14:47 PST)
Tom French, Mayor

Matt McLean
Matt McLean, City Clerk