

**CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
January 25, 2024**

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

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

Councilmembers absent: none

Staff present: Tom French, Mayor; Phillip Hill, City Administrator; Kim Adams Pratt, City Attorney; Mike Harden, Police Chief; Lindsey Vaughn, Finance Director; Jeff Perrigo, Public Works Director; Mark Hofman, Community Development Director; Andy Silvia, Senior Project Manager (via Zoom); Cory Roche, Environmental and Sustainability Specialist (via Zoom); Matt McLean, City Clerk

Others present: 28 visitors

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor French called the January 25, 2024 City Council regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE

Cmbr. Goldman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Cmbr. Furutani moved to approve the agenda as presented. **Cmbr. Goldman seconded.**
The motion to adopt the agenda as presented carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor French invited comments from the audience. The following members of the audience shared comments with the Council:

- Brian Saunders, LFP resident, townhome project at 3803 NE 155th Street
- Jeff Snedden, LFP resident, townhome project at 3803 NE 155th Street (submitted photos of the project area)
- Joleen Borgerding, LFP resident, townhome project at 3803 NE 155th Street
- Mark Johnson, LFP resident, Sound Transit/trees

- Tyson Greer, LFP resident, cumulative impacts of the Sound Transit project and the townhome development for Bsche'tla Creek
- Mark Phillips, LFP resident, House Bill 1433
- Tom Grovo, LFP resident, townhome project at 3803 NE 155th Street

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

PRESENTATION – North King County Regional Aquatic Center Feasibility Study

Environmental and Sustainability Specialist Roche introduced the item.

Brooke Hanley and Keith Comes, NAC Architecture (both via Zoom), presented the item and responded to questions.

PRESENTATION – StarChase Technology for Use by the Lake Forest Park Police Department

Sgr. Ross Adams presented the item and responded to questions.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

1. January 11, 2024 City Council Work Session Minutes
2. January 11, 2024 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
3. January 18, 2024 City Council Special Meeting Minutes
4. Approval of City Expenditures for the Period Ending December 28, 2023 (prepaid), covering Claims Fund Check Nos. 85733 through 85803, in the amount of \$319,769.86; Payroll Fund ACH transactions in the amount of \$176,000.17; and Direct Deposit transactions in the amount of \$182,453.45; additional approved ACH transactions are Elavon, \$534.19; Lexis Nexis, \$136.58; US Bank, \$70,036.10; total approved Claims Fund Transactions \$748,930.35
5. Approval of City Expenditures for the Period Ending December 31, 2023, covering Claims Fund Check Nos. 85810 through 85857 in the amount of \$494,063.08; December 22, 2023 Payroll Fund ACH transactions in the amount of \$159,256.85 and Direct Deposit transactions in the amount of \$168,548.35; additional approved ACH transactions are Elavon, \$730.63; Invoice Cloud, \$1,412.85; total approved Claims Rund Transactions \$824,011.76
6. Approval of City Expenditures for the Period Ending January 11, 2024, covering Claims Fund Check Nos. 85804 through 85809, in the amount of \$499,778.45; additional

approved ACH transaction is Wells Fargo, \$15,378.53; total approved Claims Fund Transactions \$515,156.98

7. Approval of City Expenditures for the Period Ending January 25, 2024, covering Claim Fund Check Nos. 85858 through 85893, in the amount of \$441,174.92; and January 8, 2024 Payroll Fund ACH transactions in the amount of \$173,364.01; and Direct Deposit transactions in the amount of \$170,370.85; additional approved ACH transaction State of Washington, \$9,696.63; total approved Claims Fund transactions \$794,606.41

RESOLUTION 24-1941/Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Local and Community Projects Program Grant Agreement Number 23-96643-117 with the State of Washington Department of Commerce for the Town Center to Burke-Gilman Trail Connector Project

Project Manager Silvia presented the item and responded to questions. City Attorney Pratt also responded to questions.

Cmbr. Furutani moved to suspend the three-touch rule for Resolution 24-1941.

Cmbr. Lebo seconded. Following brief discussion, the motion to suspend the three-touch rule carried unanimously.

Cmbr. Furutani moved to approve as presented Resolution 24-1941/Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Local and Community Projects Program Grant Agreement Number 23-96643-117 with the State of Washington Department of Commerce for the Town Center to Burke-Gilman Trail Connector Project. **Cmbr. Saunders seconded. The motion to approve Resolution 24-1941 as presented carried unanimously.**

ORDINANCE 24-1287/Amending Chapter 2.30 of the Lake Forest Park Municipal Code, Salary Commission, to Amend Date Reference for Salary Commission's First Review of Salaries and Benefits

City Attorney Pratt presented the item.

Cmbr. Riddle moved to approve as presented Ordinance 24-1287/Amending Chapter 2.30 of the Lake Forest Park Municipal Code, Salary Commission, to Amend Date Reference for Salary Commission's First Review of Salaries and Benefits. **Cmbr. Furutani seconded. The motion to approve Ordinance 24-1287 as presented carried unanimously.**

RESOLUTION 24-1942/Amending the City of Lake Forest Park Governance Manual regarding Public Comment

Cmbr. Riddle gave an overview of the proposed amendments.

Cmbr. Furutani moved to approve as presented Resolution 24-1942/Amending the City of Lake Forest Park Governance Manual regarding Public Comment. **Cmbr. Riddle seconded. The motion to approve Resolution 24-1942 as presented carried unanimously.**

OTHER BUSINESS

March Meeting Schedule

Deputy Mayor Bodi noted the March 14, 2024 regular meeting is canceled due to the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, and Vice Chair attending the National League of Cities Conference in Washington, DC. She proposed a special meeting on Thursday, March 7, 2024.

There was consensus of the Council to hold a special meeting on March 7, 2024.

Appointment to NUHSA Board

Cmbr. Riddle noted she was provisionally appointed to a board seat on the North Urban Human Services Alliance, contingent upon vote of the council.

Deputy Mayor Bodi moved to appoint Cmbr. Riddle as the City's representative on the North Urban Human Services Alliance Board. **Cmbr. Goldman seconded. The motion to appoint Cmbr. Riddle carried unanimously.**

Amendment to Three-Touch Rule

Cmbr. Lebo inquired whether councilmembers would be interested in amending the three-touch rule to allow certain non-controversial, non-policy items to be approved without three touches.

Discussion followed.

Deputy Mayor Bodi asked for volunteers for a subcommittee to draft an amendment to modify or clarify the three-touch rule to the Governance Manual. Cmbrs. Lebo and Goldman volunteered.

There was consensus of the Council to bring the three-touch rule amendment and council liaison amendment of the Governance Manual back at the same time.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCIL/MAYOR/CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

Councilmembers reported on meetings they attended.

Mayor French gave a brief report.

City Administrator Hill gave a brief report, including a request from Shelley Helder, the City's state lobbyist to sign a letter regarding Senate Bill 5770, raising the 1 percent property tax to possibly 3 percent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Possible Purchase of Real Property, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(b).

At 9:06, the Council went into Executive Session for approximately 20 minutes to consider the possible purchase of real property, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(b).

Mayor French stated there would be no action taken following the Executive Session.

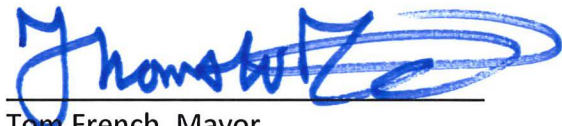
At 9:20 p.m., the Executive Session was extended for approximately 15 minutes.

At 9:35 p.m., the Executive Session was extended for approximately 10 minutes.

The Council returned from Executive Session at 9:49 p.m. No announcements were made, and no action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor French adjourned the meeting at 9:50 p.m.



Tom French, Mayor



Matt McLean, City Clerk