



COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Wednesday, January 21, 2026 at 3:00 PM

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mayor Jennifer Massey
Council President Jessica Chilton
Councilor Mark Gundersen
Councilor Russell Hubbard
Councilor Brandon Sundeen

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AGENDA

CALL WORK SESSION TO ORDER

CLEARING CONFUSION AND SETTING THE FACTS STRAIGHT

1. Response to January 7 Visitor Comments

VISITOR COMMENTS - *Limited to three (3) minutes per speaker*

DISCUSSION TOPICS

2. 3:10PM - Update from Columbia Pacific Economic Development District on Regional Economic Development Programs - *Sarah Lu Heath, Executive Director & Jacquie Puett, Program Coordinator*
3. 3:25PM - Discussion about Lease of Sand Island
4. 3:40PM - Review Draft of Side-by-Side Ordinance
5. 3:55PM - Update from Police Chief Smith - An update for the City of St. Helens specifically pertaining to the volume of cases the St. Helens Police Department is seeing involving sexual abuse crimes, including crimes against children. This includes, but is not limited to, sexual assault, child exploitation, and child pornography.
6. 4:40PM - Discussion regarding CET Programs - *City Administrator John Walsh*
7. 4:55PM - Discussion regarding Budget Committee Positions
8. 5:10PM - Report from City Administrator John Walsh

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Following the conclusion of the Council Work Session, an Executive Session is scheduled to take place to discuss:

- ORS 192.660(2)(d) To conduct deliberations with persons appointed to carry out labor negotiations;
- ORS 192.660(2)(e) To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions;
- ORS 192.660(2)(f) To consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection;

- ORS 192.660(2)(h) To consult with legal counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.

Authorized representatives of the news media, staff, and other persons as approved, shall be allowed to attend the Executive Session. All other members of the audience are asked to leave the Council Chambers.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- January 19, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, City Offices Closed
- January 21, 3:00PM, Council Work Session, Council Chambers/Zoom
- January 21, 6:40PM, Council Public Hearing, Council Chambers/Zoom
- January 21, 7:00PM, Council Regular Session, Council Chambers/Zoom

Future Public Hearing(s)/Forum(s):

- PH: January 21, 6:40PM, Annexation of Approximately 6.57 Acres (Stutzman)

VIRTUAL MEETING DETAILS

Join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86148211715?pwd=XtVv0ahUbfd8KaWUbquC312w7NTB4m.1>

Passcode: 199877

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