



COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Wednesday, February 04, 2026

APPROVED MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

STAFF PRESENT

John Walsh, City Administrator	Suzanne Bishop, Library Director
Kathy Payne, City Recorder	Shanna Duggan, Recreation Manager
Crystal King, Communications Officer	Jacob Graichen, City Planner
Doug Treat, Police Lieutenant	Ashley Wigod, Contracted City Attorney
Gloria Butsch, Finance Director	

OTHERS PRESENT

Nathan Hughes	Adam St. Pierre	Courtney Madruga
Steve Topaz	Kaelyn Cassidy	Richard Mason
Steve Toschi	Lance Tillotson	Mark Pacheco
Brady Preheim	Robyn Toschi	Nick Hellmich
Tina Curry	Tyler Miller	Tammy Maygra
Jeremy Hipes		

CALL WORK SESSION TO ORDER - 3:00 p.m.

CLEARING CONFUSION AND SETTING THE FACTS STRAIGHT

1. Response to January 21 Visitor Comments

Mayor Massey noted that there were no responses to visitor comments from the January 21 meeting.

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

- ◆ Richard Mason, a 20-year resident of the waterfront district, spoke in opposition to the proposed side-by-side ordinance. He characterized the measure as an "80/20 situation" that would create a "logistical, administrative nightmare just to appease a few people," and stated that the City had "bigger fish to fry."
- ◆ Robyn Toschi. Spoke in opposition to the side-by-side ordinance, calling it self-serving to one council member and a small group of her friends who own ATVs, and referenced City of St. Helens Resolution 1509, Section 1, which states that the City's powers and resources are to be used for the benefit of the public rather than any official's personal benefit. She raised safety concerns about the Gable Road and Highway 30 intersection, describing it as a busy school zone with protected left turns and heavy pedestrian traffic. Toschi also expressed strong objection to her name being used in what she described as a slanderous manner, alleging that the City had incurred expense not because of her public records request, but because the City had chosen not

to produce the records. She urged the Council to vote independently and for public safety. She additionally requested that the City issue a new, documented RFP for the Millard Road property and return it to the market, stating, "We need the money, not a levy."

- ◆ Steve Toschi. Addressed the Council regarding Resolution 1509, citing provisions related to public trust, avoiding the appearance of impropriety, and placing long-term public benefit above special interests. He referenced the side-by-side ordinance as an example of special interest influence. He raised concerns about what he characterized as corruption within the Police Department, citing a vote of no confidence against the Police Chief and City Administrator, and arguing that the City had been mismanaging its funds through pay increases while purposefully not hiring officers. He called on Council members to consider censuring the Mayor for what he described as a conflict of interest in police matters and suggested that a councilor or the council president take over those discussions. He also urged the Council to wait for the Budget Committee meetings before proceeding with any levy. Toschi's comments extended beyond his initial three minutes.
- ◆ Tammy Maygra. Briefly addressed the Council, stating that the Mayor was being disrespectful and rude to members of the public while they were speaking, and urged the Mayor to show "more couth and manners." She yielded her remaining time to Toschi.

Contracted City Attorney Ashley Wigod confirmed, when asked, that it is permissible for a citizen to yield their remaining time to another speaker.

- ◆ Steve Toschi. Further argued that the mayor's conflict of interest was harming the community and urged councilors to step up and enforce their ethical rules.
- ◆ Lance Tillotson. Spoke in support of the side-by-side ordinance. He noted that his vehicles are fully street-legal with lights, a horn, and a license plate, and stated that he found them to be practical and not particularly loud. He observed that other vehicles in the city — such as loud cars at the four-way stop — cause far more noise disturbance. He stated that he was not asking to operate them on the highway and thanked the City for its consideration.
- ◆ Brady Prehiem. Addressed the Council on multiple topics. He alleged that the Mayor was violating a Non-Disclosure Agreement involving a former City employee, Matt Brown, by discussing City matters with him on a podcast, and called on the Council to enforce that NDA. He stated the Mayor owed City Administrator Walsh an apology. He expressed strong opposition to the 9-1-1 levy on the grounds that the 9-1-1 District currently holds approximately \$4 million in reserves, and questioned how the City could justify asking citizens for more money while that surplus sits unused. He also spoke about the alien exhibit, asserting that he was the person who ran it and that City Administrator Walsh did not have full knowledge of it. He raised concerns about the City purchasing properties only to declare them surplus, including a second Recreation Center.
- ◆ Adam St. Pierre. Responded to Steve Toschi's comments on ethics by raising his own ethics concerns, alleging that Toschi had a direct conflict of interest on the Budget Committee, as he was reportedly representing a client who is suing the City. He suggested the Oregon Ethics Board should investigate whether Toschi's participation on the Budget Committee was appropriate given that potential conflict. He stated he found it hypocritical for someone with potential personal interests to lecture the Council on ethics.
- ◆ Steve Topaz. Raised procedural concerns, noting that a question he had asked at a previous meeting appeared on the agenda but was not recorded in the minutes and received no answer.

He argued this represented a systemic problem with how citizen comments and questions are handled. He questioned whether the Council holds secret meetings to discuss public comments, or whether responses are fabricated. He also raised concerns about freedom of speech, noting that the time limit for public comment had been reduced from five minutes to three, and referenced a recent situation in which a community member was barred from school property after speaking at a School Board meeting. He further commented that executive session minutes should reflect when no executive session occurred. He closed by stating that St. Helens is in a poor position in terms of public perception at the State level and urged the Council to change course.

- ◆ Tina Curry. Yielded her time to Robyn Toschi.
- ◆ Robyn Toschi defended her husband, Steve Toschi, against comments made by Adam St. Pierre, stating that Toschi's participation in budget meetings was motivated solely by the best interests of the City and its citizens. She objected to characterizations of his conduct as self-interested and stated that he is "fighting for the citizens of this City."

DISCUSSION TOPICS

2. Request from Columbia 9-1-1 Communications District for Support for Local Option Levy on May Ballot - *Executive Director Jeremy Hipes*

Executive Director Jeremy Hipes presented information about the Columbia 9-1-1 Communications District's request for a five-year local option operations levy of 29 cents per \$1,000 of assessed property value on the May ballot, which would generate a total of approximately \$10,914,819 over the five-year period. He noted that he was presenting in his official capacity and therefore could not personally solicit support, but could share facts and answer questions.

Hipes provided background on his qualifications, noting 26 years of experience in the 9-1-1 industry and five months in his current role, during which he has been focused on staffing stability, funding, and radio system assessment. He described an ongoing investigation of all radio sites in the county, during which each tower is being taken offline for approximately six hours to test every piece of equipment. The resulting report will inform a plan to stabilize the system with available funding, which he acknowledged would not be a permanent replacement but a necessary stopgap measure. He noted that the system is 30 years old and described its condition as being "in the Band-Aid phase," with parts increasingly difficult to find and technical expertise for the aging system becoming scarce. He stated frankly that a catastrophic failure "could be really kind of any day."

Hipes acknowledged that the district holds reserve funds, including a facilities reserve and an equipment reserve, both established since 1991. He explained that a prior attempt to replace the system using reserve funds fell through when the levy failed and Motorola backed out of the contract, as the levy revenue was needed to guarantee ongoing contract payments.

He also confirmed that conversations had begun between Sheriff Pixley and the District about the possibility of the County or Sheriff's Office taking control of the radio system as a collaborative effort. He explained that under such a model, costs would be distributed among user agencies based on call volume.

Mayor Massey thanked Hipes for his presentation and expressed concern that the system had not been adequately managed historically, noting that a 30-year-old system approaching failure is analogous to failing to phase out gas monitors in confined spaces. She asked Hipes to consider returning to a future meeting to provide additional public education on the topic.

Tyler Miller, a Scappoose City Councilor and elected member of the 9-1-1 District Board of Directors, presented an opposing view. He prefaced his remarks by stating that there may be a path forward, as

conversations between Sheriff Pixley and Director Hipes show some promise, but that his current opposition stems from a documented history of financial mismanagement. He noted that he was elected to the 9-1-1 board in May 2025 with 61.36% of the vote over a 22-year incumbent, which he interpreted as a public mandate for change and accountability. He stated that both the Republican and Democratic Central Committees had voted in bipartisan opposition to the levy, the Democrat Central Committee having done so 9-0 the prior evening, mirroring their opposition to the two previous failed levies for the same tax rate and stated purpose, which he argued represents no material change.

Miller presented a series of documented examples of what he described as financial mismanagement spanning over a decade, including: \$66,720 spent on a Radio IP software solution that was never installed despite first responders requesting it; hundreds of thousands of dollars spent on a consultant whose comprehensive 2012 report was largely ignored; \$778 spent on an iPad gifted to a retiring board member; \$400,000 spent on a radio site on Pisgah Home Road that was never made operational and became overgrown with invasive plants; and \$925,000 wasted due to failure to conduct competitive bidding. He stated that these documented examples total approximately \$2 million in waste, with records available to support each claim.

Miller described two officer-involved incidents he attributed to radio system failures. On March 31, 2022, Sheriff Pixley responded to a call without knowing the subject was a homicide suspect because a radio transmission relaying that critical information failed to reach him, resulting in a gun battle that Pixley was fortunate to survive. On July 30, 2025, an officer attempted to radio a shots-fired incident, but St. Helens police officers arrived on scene with no knowledge that an officer-involved shooting had occurred. Miller argued that these failures had been known for years and that funding existed to address them but nothing was done.

He also described his own experience of being issued a no-trespass letter by the 9-1-1 district in February 2023 after he publicly opposed a \$35 million proposal and gave an interview to Koin 6 News. He filed a federal civil rights complaint, a judge issued an immediate temporary injunction, and in August 2025, a federal district court found the 9-1-1 district guilty of First Amendment civil rights violations and entered a permanent injunction. He estimated attorney's fees alone would total at least \$1.2 million, noting he did not sue for personal damages. He also raised concerns about the District's ongoing use of an HOA attorney from Bend at \$495 per hour, including billing for drive time, rather than a government entity law specialist, and noted that the general fund had absorbed over \$686,000 in legal costs since 2022.

Miller concluded by stating that his opposition was not about dismissing the hard work of 9-1-1 staff, but about the governing body's pattern of mismanagement. He expressed cautious hope that the conversations between the sheriff and Hipes could lead to a structural solution, particularly one placing the radio system under a public safety agency, that might eventually earn his support, provided meaningful assurances and guardrails are in place.

Mayor Massey proposed that the Council consider a resolution establishing that the City council would not formally support or oppose external ballot measures, leaving such decisions to voters, and allowing the Council to instead serve as a platform for balanced public education. Council President Chilton agreed with the approach of providing a forum for presentations without taking formal positions. City Attorney Wigod indicated she was willing to review such a resolution and identify any legal considerations.

3. Quarterly Reports from City Departments/Divisions - Finance & Municipal Court (Informational)

Mayor Massey noted that she had reviewed the quarterly reports and had no additional comments. No Council members raised questions or comments on the staff reports.

4. Review of Proposed Side-by-Side Ordinance

Contracted City Attorney Ashley Wigod presented an overview of updates to the proposed Class 4 ATV (side-by-side) ordinance following public comment and Council discussion at the January 21, 2026 Council meeting.

Key amendments included the removal of the City ATV permit, which was determined to be administratively burdensome without a corresponding safety benefit. Despite this removal, all safety and regulatory requirements remain in effect, and violations remain citable in Municipal Court. The definition section was updated to remove redundant references to Class 1, 2, and 3 ATVs, which are already defined in state law. The definition of "streets" was clarified to expressly exclude Highway 30 except as otherwise provided. The financial responsibility section was updated to include a specific citation to the state law governing minimum insurance liability limits. Safety equipment requirements were consolidated into a single section, with the addition of requirements for a horn and safety roll bar, and an express prohibition on nonstandard lights, addressing a question raised by a Councilor at the prior meeting. The seatbelt requirements section was amended to expressly incorporate the state law language regarding children of all ages, for clarity. The section governing where Class 4 ATVs may be operated was updated to designate Gable Road as the approved crossing point, as recommended based on law enforcement input at the prior meeting.

Following the presentation, Mayor Massey offered an extended statement on the ordinance. She emphasized that the measure was not motivated by personal benefit, she does not own or plan to operate a side-by-side, and that she had championed it in response to community members who had requested it prior to her election. She pushed back on allegations that the ordinance violated Resolution 1509, calling those characterizations "manifested" and without basis. She addressed public concerns about noise, citing decibel comparisons: side-by-sides operate at levels comparable to or below a leaf blower (110 dB), far below chainsaws (125 dB), fireworks (140–160 dB), or sirens (120 dB), and noted that existing ORS provisions for excessive vehicle noise would also apply. She stated that no increase in city insurance rates would result from adoption, having confirmed this with the City's insurance contact, and compared the liability exposure to that of hosting a third-party parade. She also noted that a State House Bill currently moving through the legislature would permit Class 1, 2, and 3 ATVs to operate on highways and freeways. She characterized fear-mongering about the ordinance as illogical, noting that motorcycles are permitted without seatbelts and that the City does not ban scooters. She expressed frustration that legitimate work on behalf of citizens is met with misinformation and personal attacks, stating: "This is why elected officials don't do it."

Council President Chilton stated for the record that she still believes Columbia Boulevard would be a safer crossing point than Gable Road, and that directing any additional traffic to the Gable Road intersection remains a concern.

5. Review of Revenue Options to Refer to Voters for May Election

Prior to City Administrator Walsh's presentation, Mayor Massey read her conflict of interest disclosure for the record, stating that her spouse is employed by the City as a police officer. She noted that because the budget includes compensation and benefits for City positions, she was announcing an actual conflict under ORS 244.120, as amended by Senate Bill 983, Oregon Laws 2025, Chapter 466, and confirmed that she is permitted to participate in discussion and vote on adoption of the local budget after making this disclosure.

Walsh introduced the topic, noting that the City is on a path to exhaust the General Fund by June 30 and that staff had been working to present the Council with revenue and expenditure options.

Finance Director Butsch outlined a projected budget shortfall of \$150,000 for the current fiscal year (FY 25-26), which may require a supplemental budget to reduce expenditures through the end of the year.

More significantly, she projected a shortfall of approximately \$1 million for FY 26-27 if services remain at their current level. She presented two options to increase revenue, both requiring voter approval.

The first option is a Municipal Services Fee charged to utility bill accounts based on equivalent dwelling units (EDUs), one per single-family home, two per duplex, per-unit for apartments, and per-hookup for RV parks. A preliminary analysis showed that a fee of \$24 per EDU per month would generate approximately \$1,757,952 annually, sufficient to maintain existing services with a 10% reserve, which Butsch cautioned is the absolute minimum and not recommended. To achieve a 20% reserve, which she described as the responsible floor, the fee would need to be approximately \$35.30 per month per EDU, generating approximately \$2,585,292 annually. She noted key advantages of the Municipal Services Fee: it is collected monthly rather than in a lump sum; it is not subject to Measure 5 tax compression, meaning the City receives 100% of what is collected; and it more directly impacts occupants, including renters who pay utilities directly.

The second option is a Local Option Property Tax Levy, a temporary, voter-approved property tax of up to five years. A levy of \$1.49 per \$1,000 of assessed market value would generate sufficient funds to maintain existing services with a 10% reserve, expiring in 2031. Unlike the Municipal Services Fee, the levy is subject to Measure 5 and Measure 50 compression, meaning the City may not receive the full projected amount. It is assessed on July 1 and collected largely in November.

Butsch provided a bar graph showing that St. Helens has one of the lowest permanent property tax rates in the state, and noted that even with the proposed additions, the City would remain well below comparable cities, particularly when factoring in that the comparison cities also carry their own local option levies and municipal fees not reflected in the chart. Contracted City Attorney Wigod echoed this point.

Butsch also outlined the departments and services funded by the General Fund that would be affected by a failure to pass either measure, including police, library, parks, recreation, community development, administration, and municipal court. She warned that the City could be forced to shut down City Hall one or more days per week if revenue is not secured.

Discussion among Council members reflected shared concern about the likelihood of either measure passing, with Council President Chilton and Councilor Sundeen both expressing skepticism that voters would approve a new fee or levy. Council President Chilton suggested the Council be cautious about spending too much time and money pursuing a measure that may not pass, and recommended spending more effort planning for service reductions. Councilor Sundeen agreed, noting that residents have historically wanted full services without paying more, a position that is "no longer a reality." Mayor Massey acknowledged the skepticism but argued that the Council's role is to present the options to voters with full transparency about what is at stake, and that the Council can simultaneously pursue other revenue-generating strategies.

Councilor Hubbard raised a question about how commercial and industrial properties would be treated under the EDU model, and Butsch clarified that each business unit or industrial property connected to a meter would count as one EDU, and that apartment units would each count separately. Councilor Hubbard observed that industrial property owners might prefer the fee to a property tax levy, and Mayor Massey noted that regardless of mechanism, costs are typically passed down to renters and end users.

Mayor Massey expressed a preference for the Municipal Services Fee, citing the 100% dollar collection rate and the equity of the EDU model in capturing renters and properties not subject to property taxes. She argued for pursuing the 20% reserve target (\$35 fee), stating it would be irresponsible to do otherwise, and that the citizens and voters deserve to know exactly what services are at stake. Butsch agreed that the 10% reserve was insufficient and could quickly become inadequate in the event of unexpected costs or difficult union negotiations.

The Council was asked for direction to staff on which path to prepare for the next meeting. Wigod clarified the procedural options: a unanimous vote would allow adoption of the Municipal Services Fee Ordinance in a single reading at the next regular meeting; without unanimity, two special meetings would be required, one for each reading, 14 days apart, in order to meet the February 27 deadline for filing with the County. A local option levy resolution could be adopted by majority vote at the next regular meeting. Staff also noted they had internally agreed that placing both options simultaneously on the ballot would be confusing to voters and did not recommend that approach.

The general consensus of the majority of the Council was to direct staff to prepare the Municipal Services Fee ordinance at the 20% reserve level (approximately \$35 per EDU per month) with a 10-year sunset provision. Councilor Hubbard stated he wished to abstain and indicated he needed more time to review the materials. Because the Council did not achieve unanimity during the work session, Wigod advised that the matter would need to proceed through two special meetings rather than a single unanimous vote at the regular meeting, ensuring Councilor Hubbard and all members have sufficient time for additional review.

Mayor Massey stated that the Council would respect every member's voice and would proceed with two special sessions as required.

6. Review Request for Leak Adjustment at 2250 Gable Road

Mayor Massey presented the leak adjustment request submitted by Broadleaf Arbor for the account at 2250 Gable Road. She summarized that the account has been active since September 15, 2023, has received 11 late fees, has had no prior leak adjustments granted, and no prior late fee reversals. She noted a communication breakdown appeared to have occurred, with a City staff member apparently attempting to contact Broadleaf Arbor representative who was no longer there. The request was submitted outside of the 45-day submission window, though the requestor included emails that appear to show good-faith attempts to make contact. The Council was presented with two options: a partial adjustment of \$28,069.52 or a full adjustment of \$56,139.04.

Mayor Massey indicated her inclination to deny the request. The Council agreed to move the item to the regular session agenda for a formal vote later that evening.

7. Review of Final Partition Plat for 80 S. 21st Street - *City Planner Jacob Graichen*

City Planner Graichen briefly explained the item, noting that a final partition plat, which involves the creation of three or fewer parcels in a calendar year, does not typically require the signature of an elected official unless public right-of-way is being dedicated. In this case, public right-of-way is being dedicated, so the Mayor's signature is required. The item was scheduled for formal action at the regular session that evening.

8. Discussion regarding Alien Exhibit - *City Administrator John Walsh*

City Administrator Walsh introduced the discussion, acknowledging that Brady Preheim was correct in stating that Walsh was not present for the alien exhibit's installation and does not have full knowledge of its history. Walsh indicated that Treadway had conducted an investigation and submitted a detailed memo, but was unable to attend the meeting due to a scheduling conflict.

Walsh summarized the memo's findings: the alien exhibit has a hardware/cabinet component and a software/story file component. The media company that produced the software has since gone bankrupt. According to Treadway's investigation, the alien exhibit has never functioned as designed due to technology deficiencies, having been used only once and not to its full capacity. The exhibit has since been replaced in the relevant space by a reptile experience that has generated revenue.

Mayor Massey raised several concerns. She noted that a \$150,000 figure has been referenced in connection with the exhibit but has not been confirmed. She observed that a purchase of that magnitude would have required Council approval and that she could find no record of such approval. She also raised the question of whether the exhibit should appear on the City's insurance policy as an asset. Additionally, she asked whether there are any outstanding contractual obligations, including through the story file contract, which references "City of St. Helens" and lists Tina Curry as a signatory, that could limit the City's ability to declare the item surplus property or impose financial liability.

Councilor Hubbard asked whether the exhibit had actually been used, and Council President Chilton confirmed it had been used once, not to full capacity, and has not been used since. The Council noted there are no plans to use it again.

City Attorney Wigod indicated she had not yet reviewed the relevant materials but offered to do so. The Council directed her to review the available documentation, particularly the story file contract, to determine whether the City can lawfully declare the exhibit surplus property and whether there are any restrictions or outstanding obligations that would affect that determination.

9. Discussion regarding Use of Recreation Center Building (1810 Old Portland Rd)

City Planner Graichen provided a land use overview of the Recreation Center building and surrounding property, noting that the parcel is approximately seven acres in size and zoned light industrial. He explained that light industrial zoning permits a range of industrial and some non-industrial uses. He walked through the history of uses on the property: when the City acquired it from the mill, the building was already being used as a recreation facility, so no land use change was required when the City established its recreation program there. When police offices were later added, a formal zoning process was required to classify the building as a public facility, which was completed. He noted that the Council may wish to consider whether to rezone the property and suggested the topic would be well suited for the upcoming joint meeting with the City Council and Planning Commission in March.

Mayor Massey raised the idea of developing a high-end RV park on the property as a recurring revenue stream. She noted that she had researched several comparable parks, including Pacific Shores Motor Coach Resort and Dundee Hills RV Resort, and had gathered preliminary revenue figures. Based on 70 sites at 85% capacity, she estimated gross annual revenue ranging from approximately \$535,000 (at \$750/month) to approximately \$785,400 (at \$1,100/month). She noted that higher-end parks in the region charge up to \$1,500/month in peak season. She emphasized that she envisioned a well-managed, higher-end facility with strict age-of-RV requirements and occupancy limits to avoid social service concerns, and suggested the building itself could serve as a clubhouse with gym amenities, as is common at comparable facilities, further increasing its appeal.

Graichen confirmed that a recreational vehicle park is a permitted use under the light industrial zoning, meaning no rezoning would be required. He also noted that the building is within the 100-year floodplain but is grandfathered, and that a clubhouse use would likely not trigger substantial improvement thresholds requiring upgrades.

Council President Chilton acknowledged the RV park concept as a longstanding idea, noting that she walks by the site regularly and that it has always seemed like a suitable location. She raised the question of upfront financing, noting that infrastructure such as electrical hookups would need to be installed. She suggested looking at tourism funding, Travel Oregon grants, and hotel tax revenue as potential financing mechanisms.

City Administrator Walsh confirmed that a prior study and multiple iterations of plans had been developed for the site, including concepts involving a trail along the creek. He noted the previous plans had stalled due to other priorities, including the police station, the paper mill, and waterfront projects. The Council agreed to include the topic on the agenda for the upcoming joint meeting with the Planning Commission.

Mayor Massey reiterated the broader principle: a one-time property sale provides only a temporary infusion to the General Fund, whereas the City needs legacy, recurring revenue. She also referenced the Ross Road property as another potential revenue-generating asset. The Council expressed general enthusiasm for the concept and directed staff to bring the discussion to the joint Planning Commission meeting, with Mayor Massey offering to share her research on comparable RV park operations.

10. Report from City Administrator John Walsh

- Reported on federal grants available for the reservoir project.
- A waterline project bid came in at \$229,000, below the \$320,000–\$380,000 engineering estimate range, with 10 bids received.
- There is optimism for similar bidding outcomes for the police station project, which is preparing to go out to bid through Howard S. Wright.
- Sand Island environmental project updates include invasive species removal and tree planting, progressing through a DEQ penalty process and partnership with the Soil and Water Conservation District.
- Project Arcadia permitting and transfer work continues.
- A meeting with Councilors Hubbard and Gundersen, and Romano Capital reviewed building massing concepts. Legal counsel is developing a Letter of Intent (LOI) to protect the City's interests, which may influence the timeline; conversations are noted as "productive and exciting."
- The City received an award for excellence for its streets and utilities project at a ceremony attended by himself, Public Works Director Zaher, Engineering Manager Darroux, and Engineer II Bird.
- Ongoing work with GRO and CET involves asset transfer discussions with Paul Vogel and Tony Hyde. Scappoose will manage assets, with a Memorandum of Understanding similar to a previous arrangement being developed.
- Mayor Massey discussed the following:
 - Requested a written explanation from Contracted City Attorney Wigod for the "Clearing Confusion and Setting the Facts Straight" agenda item for the next Council meeting to address public confusion.
 - She would not attend the March 4 meeting in person due to a work obligation but confirmed with Council President Chilton about presiding.
 - Reviewing the Council liaison structure to ensure roles are relevant and appropriately scoped. Councilor Sundeen noted liaisons in other cities are often external-facing and agreed to revisit.
 - Developing a Youth Council, with Mayor Massey collecting 17 sample frameworks and drafting a resolution with a target of implementation by September. Collaboration with Councilor Sundeen, who initially proposed the youth council, will continue, with a proposal to be brought back to the council.

ADJOURN – 5:43 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – NOT HELD

Respectfully transcribed by ClerkMinutes and submitted by Lisa Scholl, Deputy City Recorder.

ATTEST:

/s/ Kathy Payne

Kathy Payne, City Recorder

/s/ Jennifer Massey

Jennifer Massey, Mayor