



CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Date of Meeting

Time of Meeting

Place of Meeting

Minutes of City Council, Regular Meeting

September 15, 2025

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

501 North Anderson Street

Ellensburg, WA 98926

And remotely via Zoom

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Palmer

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Roll Call Present: Sarah Beauchamp, Rich Elliott, Nancy Goodloe, Nancy Lillquist, David Miller, Delano Palmer, Joshua Thompson

Others present in person: City Manager Behrends Cerniwey, City Attorney Horner, City Clerk Leader, Housing Program Manager Frey, Community Development Director Carlson, Police Chief Wade, HR Director Young, Parks & Recreation Director Case and approximately twenty members of the public

Others present remotely via Zoom: three members of the public

2. Proclamations

Mayor Elliott acknowledged the proclamations

2.A Hispanic/LatinX Heritage Month 2025

2.B Library Card Sign-Up Month 2025

3. Awards and Recognitions

4. Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Goodloe moved to approve the Agenda as presented. **Motion Approved 7-0**

5. Consent Agenda

5.A Approve Minutes of September 2, 2025 Regular Meeting

5.B Approve Minutes of September 2, 2025 Study Session

5.C Authorize CHIP grant application for IOOF housing project

5.D Resolution 2025-24 Approving Katie Meadows Phase II Final Plat

- 5.E Gateway II Amendment #3 to Aspect Engineering Original Contract Project Number 21-054

- 5.F Approve September 15, 2025 Voucher Listing

Councilmember Palmer moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. **Motion Approved 7-0**

6. Petitions, Protests, and Communications

- 6.A Countywide Economic Development Partnership
Heidi Behrends Cerniwey, City Manager, introduced Kittitas County Commissioner Cory Wright to speak about the partnership

Rob Ogburn, Executive Director of CWU Business & Community Services, spoke regarding a sustainable economy.

Bryan Elliott, Kittitas County Auditor, presented information concerning the partnership structure and KCCOG.

Amy McGuffin, Kittitas County Chamber of Commerce CEO, spoke concerning collaboration and community support.

Jim Wohlpart, CWU President, spoke concerning protecting the community's assets and being proactive for the future.

City Manager Behrends Cerniwey finished the presentation with information concerning the interagency agreement and participation of entities involved.

Council asked questions of the presenters

Public comment was given on the topic from the following citizens:

- Lyle Smith, County resident
- Heather, County resident
- Pat Kelleher, City resident

- 6.B Ellensburg Crime Report (Public Comment Opportunity)
Ken Wade, Ellensburg Police Chief, reviewed crime report information in a presentation. Council asked questions of Chief Wade.

Public comment was given on the topic from the following citizen:

- Rollie, County resident

7. Public Comment on Non-agenda Issues

Pat Kelleher, City resident, spoke regarding Memorial Pool

8. Business Requiring Public Hearings

9. Introduction and Adoption of Ordinances and Resolutions

- 9.A Ordinance 4971 (2nd reading) - Amending City Code Regarding Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs), Street Improvements, and Impact Fees (Public Comment Opportunity)
Lily Frey, Housing Program Manager, presented information in the staff report.

Councilmember Palmer moved to conduct second reading and adoption of Ordinance 4971 Amending City Code Regarding Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs), Street Improvements, and Impact Fees. **Motion Approved 7-0**

- 9.B Ordinance 4972 (1st reading) — Amending City Code Chapter 6.54 relating to business licensing (Public Comment Opportunity)
Beth Leader, City Clerk, presented information in the staff report.

Councilmember Lillquist requested the solicitor license still be a process, which could be handled administratively.

Public comment was given on the topic from the following citizen:

- Rosie Hale, County resident

Councilmember Lillquist moved to conduct first reading of Ordinance 4972, amending ECC Chapter 6.54 relating to business licensing. **Motion Approved 7-0**

10. Unfinished Business

- 10.A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Developer of Ellensburg Fieldhouse (Public Comment Opportunity)
Heidi Behrends Cerniwey, City Manager, presented information in the staff report. Council asked questions of staff. Brad Case, Parks & Recreation Director, answered questions.

Councilmember Lillquist moved to approve publication of proposed Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Developer of Ellensburg Fieldhouse in substantially similar form. **Motion Approved 7-0**

11. New Business

12. Miscellaneous

- 12.A Manager's Report (No Public Comment)
Heidi Behrends Cerniwey, City Manager, presented information in the report.

She requested appointment of three Council observers for the October 4 Common Ground Workshop event. Councilmembers Thompson and Goodloe were selected.

- 12.B Councilmembers' Reports (No Public Comment)

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- Councilmember Goodloe attended a DEI Commission meeting and The Wall that Heals
 - Councilmember Lillquist attended The Wall that Heals
 - Councilmember Thompson attended the Parks & Recreation Commission meeting
 - Councilmember Beauchamp attended the Parks & Recreation Commission meeting and reported on Lodging Tax Advisory Committee
 - Mayor Elliott attended the Mayor's Lunch in Cle Elum, expressed appreciation for The Wall That Heals, reported on KITTCOM, attended a Developmental Disabilities Advisory Committee meeting, Public Facilities District meeting, will attend a meeting with the City of Enumclaw and the ribbon cutting at Addison Place.

13. Executive Session

14. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:44 pm



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk