



Meeting Location:
Council Chambers
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City Council Minutes

Regular Meeting of Tuesday, January 27, 2026

Mayor Putaansuu called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call was taken by the City Clerk as follows:

Present: John Morrissey, Councilmember, Position No. 2
Jay Rosapepe, Councilmember, Position At-Large
Shirah Dedman, Councilmember, Position No. 6
Mark Trenary, Councilmember, Position No. 1
Eric Worden, Councilmember, Position No. 4, **via Zoom**
Heidi Fenton, Councilmember, Position No. 5
Scott Diener, Mayor Pro-Tempore, Position No. 3
Robert Putaansuu, Mayor

Staff present: Public Works Director Ryan, Finance Director Crocker, City Attorney Archer, Chief of Police Brown, and City Clerk Wallace.

Staff present via Zoom: Community Development Director Bond

Audio/Visual was successful.

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Putaansuu led the audience and Council in the of Allegiance.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Mark Trenary; seconded by Heidi Fenton to Amend Consent Agenda by removing Item 4G Excusal of Councilmember Worden for Personal Obligation.

Motion Carried: 7 - 0

Voting For: Mark Trenary, Jay Rosapepe, Scott Diener, Eric Worden, Heidi Fenton, John Morrissey, Shirah Dedman

Voting Against: None

Moved by Jay Rosapepe; seconded by John Morrissey to Approve the agenda as amended.

Motion Carried: 7 - 0

Voting For: Mark Trenary, Jay Rosapepe, Scott Diener, Eric Worden, Heidi Fenton, John Morrissey, Shirah Dedman

Voting Against: None

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Katie Cornell introduced herself and explained she wants to know what is important to Port Orchard over the next season.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by John Morrissey; seconded by Scott Diener to Approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

Motion Carried: 7 - 0

Voting For: Mark Trenary, Jay Rosapepe, Scott Diener, Eric Worden, Heidi Fenton, John Morrissey, Shirah Dedman

Voting Against: None

A. Approval of Payroll and Direct Deposits

Approval of Payroll Check Nos. 89893 through 89897 including bank drafts and EFT's in the amount of \$295,910.09 and Direct Deposits in the amount of \$300,731.75 totaling, \$596,641.84.

B. Approval of Vouchers and Electronic Payments

Approval of Voucher Nos. 89898 through 89988 including bank drafts in the amount of \$1,123,117.30 and EFT's in the amount of \$1,046,852.37, totaling \$2,169,969.67.

C. Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Conservation Grant Agreement with Puget Sound Energy for the Completed Relight Washington Street Lighting Work under the TIB Phase 4 Project

D. Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Contract Nos. C018-25 and C019-25 with Elyon Maintenance, Inc. for Landscaping Maintenance Services

E. Adoption of a Resolution Repealing Resolution No. 003-24 and Accepting Council Committee Assignments and Establishing Council Ad-hoc and Standing Committees

F. Adoption of a Resolution Accepting Three Temporary Construction Easements for the SR166/Bay Street Improvements Project

~~F. Excusal of Councilmember Worden for Personal Obligation~~

5. PRESENTATION

A. Mural - Adam Smith

Mayor Putansuu introduced Adam Smith, a local artist, who provided a proposal to paint a mural downtown.

Adam provided background on how he was approached to paint the mural. He spoke to costs, measurements, type of paints, timeframe, and different types of paintings. He expressed his appreciation for being approached and would love to paint the mural in the City he loves and near a playground his family adores.

Brief discussion was held regarding creating a ferry mural with seagulls, weather, temporary barrier cones during painting process, painting on concrete and moisture, graffiti, and preservation.

Mayor Putaansuu said he will be bringing a contract before Council in a couple weeks.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

There were no public hearings.

7. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with Geosyntec Consultants, Inc. for Environmental Services

Moved by Mark Trenary; seconded by Heidi Fenton to Adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Geosyntec Consultants, Inc. for Environmental Services, in an amount not to exceed \$63,410, and for a term through December 31, 2029.

Motion Carried: 7- 0

Voting For: Mark Trenary, Jay Rosapepe, Scott Diener, Eric Worden, Heidi Fenton, John Morrissey, Shirah Dedman

Voting Against: None

B. Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract with SCJ Alliance for On-Call Engineering Staffing Assistance

Moved by Scott Diener; seconded by John Morrissey to Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Professional Services Agreement with SCJ Alliance for on-call engineering staffing assistance in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00.

Motion Carried: 7- 0

Voting For: Mark Trenary, Jay Rosapepe, Scott Diener, Eric Worden, Heidi Fenton, John Morrissey, Shirah Dedman

Voting Against: None

C. Adoption of a Resolution Adopting AWC-RMSA Member Standards

Moved by John Morrissey; seconded by Jay Rosapepe to Adopt a resolution, adopting the Risk Management Service Agency (RMSA) Member Standards as presented.

Motion Carried: 7- 0

Voting For: Mark Trenary, Jay Rosapepe, Scott Diener, Eric Worden, Heidi Fenton, John Morrissey, Shirah Dedman

Voting Against: None

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Open Government Training

City Attorney Archer provided the Mayor and Council with Open Government Training, pointing out this training covers both the OMPA (Open Public Meetings Act) and PRA (Public Records Act). She briefly spoke to two bills, one regarding the PRA, and the other regarding OPMA. Additionally, she explained that pursuant to state law, elected officials are required to have this training within ninety days of taking office. Refresher trainings are required every four years.

The training included what constitutes a 'meeting', what types of meetings are subject to the OPMA, key reminders, what constitutes an 'action', OPMA: who must comply?, executive sessions, what types of meetings are not subject to OPMA, public comment and public meetings, meeting outside of meetings, serial meetings, what's the risk?, PRA basics, scope of the PRA, electronic 'records', how requests are handled, conducting an adequate search, personal devices, case laws, takeaways, tips, and tricks, know what to retain and what to delete, segregate public and personal records, and consequences of violations.

9. REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

A. Council Advisory Committees

Councilmember Worden reported on the January 27 Transportation Committee meeting.

Mayor Putaansuu reported on the January 20 Kitsap Transit board meeting.

10. REPORT OF MAYOR

The Mayor reported on the following:

- McCormick HOA meeting in March.
- Community Service Day.
- Met with Port of Bremerton staff regarding various downtown fixes.
- Mural artists.
- Etta Turner Park benches.
- AWC City Action Days conference updates.
- Upcoming Legislative dinner.
- Town Hall meetings and City Council retreat.

11. REPORT OF DEPARTMENT HEADS

Public Works Director Ryan reported on fish barriers and utilities.

Chief of Police Brown reported on hiring of new officers and BlueBridge is now live.

Community Development Director Bond mentioned Principal Planner Fisk sent an email out regarding scheduled dates and times for the Land Use and Economic Development and Tourism Committees.

12. CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

13. GOOD OF THE ORDER

Councilmember Morrissey encouraged Councilmembers to lobby down at Olympia as we are changing people's minds daily.

Councilmember Rosapepe spoke about the new opening for the South Kitsap Helpline.

Councilmember Worden explained his and Councilmember Morrissey's ideas for the town hall meetings.

Mayor Putaansuu offered to put the town hall discussion on the February work study agenda.

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m. No other action was taken.

Signed by:
Brandy Wallace
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Brandy Wallace, MMC, City Clerk

Signed by:
Rob Putaansuu
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Robert Putaansuu, Mayor

