

**CITY OF LAKE STEVENS
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, April 11, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

By Remote Participation via Zoom and In Person at The Mill, 1808 Main Street, Lake Stevens.

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Gailey

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mayor Brett Gailey, Councilmembers Kim Daughtry, Gary Petershagen, Ryan Donoghue, Mary Dickinson, Anji Jorstad, Steve Ewing and Marcus Tageant.

Call to Order

Mayor Gailey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Gailey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

All Councilmembers were present.

Approval of the Agenda

MOTION. Councilmember Tageant made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Petershagen, to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed 7-0-0-0.

Guest Business

Introduction of New Employees: Alex Griffing-IT Support Analyst and Vanessa Ross-IT Application Analyst

Citizen Comments

Saffron C. (Did not confirm spelling), Lake Stevens. Thanked the Council for the sidewalks.

Erin VanRy, Lake Stevens. Ms. VanRy thanked Public Works for cleaning the pathway on N. Davies Rd.

Council Business

Councilmember Tageant thanked the Police Department for their recent drug bust.

Councilmember Dickinson attended the Historical Society meeting and the Senior Center Board meeting. She helped with the Kiwanis egg hunt at Highland.

Councilmember Petershagen thanked Sherwood Community Services for their work in the City.

Councilmember Daughtry attended the Community Transit Meeting, the All-City staff meeting and the Youth Advisory Council meeting.

Mayor Business

Mayor Gailey reported on the legislative efforts for the City. He thanked the Police Department for the drug bust. He relayed that the City of Lake Stevens is the 5th safest City in Washington State. He is presenting the State of City at the Chamber Luncheon tomorrow.

City Department Report

Sound Walls/Gateway Signs Update

Consent Agenda

MOTION. Councilmember Jorstad made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Daughtry, to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed 7-0-0-0. The consent agenda included the following:

- 2023 Vouchers
- 2024 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update Consultant Contracts
- 2023 Budget Amendment No. 1 - Adopting Ordinance No. 1162

Public Hearing

Ordinance 1139 Short-Term Rentals

Mayor Gailey opened the public hearing.

Planner Needham and Director Wright explained to Council that Ordinance 1139 is ready for review and consideration. The Council reviewed the redline version of the code with requested adjustments from the March 21, 2023 Council meeting.

Mayor Gailey opened the hearing for public comment.

Kristen Haugen, Lake Stevens. Kristen spoke about concerns with the Ordinance.
Jeremy Williams, Lake Stevens. Jeremy spoke in favor of short-term rentals.

Kym Shipman, Lake Stevens. Kym spoke as a STR Subcommittee member.

Nikki Odegaard, Lake Stevens. Nikki spoke about concerns with the Ordinance.

Aileen Spradlin, Lake Stevens. Aileen spoke about concerns with the Ordinance.

Todd Spradlin, Lake Stevens. Todd spoke about concerns with the Ordinance.

Robert Tinker, Lake Stevens. Robert spoke in favor of short-term rentals.

Jesse Maddox, Lake Stevens. Jesse spoke in favor of short-term rentals.

Tyson Nelson, Lake Stevens. Tyson spoke about concerns with the Ordinance.

Joe Platz, Lake Stevens. Joe spoke in favor of short-term rentals.

Julian Travis, Lake Stevens. Julian spoke in favor of short-term rentals.

Mayor Gailey closed the public hearing.

MOTION. Councilmember Petershagen made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Jorstad, to approve Ordinance 1139.

AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION. Councilmember Petershagen made an amendment to the motion, seconded by Councilmember Daughtry, to add a definition of a rental party to be no more than 4 individuals, non-related. The motion passed 4-3-0-0 with Councilmember Jorstad, Councilmember Ewing and Councilmember Tageant opposed.

AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION. Councilmember Petershagen made an amendment to the motion, seconded by Councilmember Daughtry, to amend Section a (2) that no more than two short-term rentals may be operated or owned by individuals or an operating business or corporate entity in the City. The motion failed 2-5-0-0 with Councilmember Daughtry and Councilmember Petershagen voting yes.

AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION. Councilmember Tageant made an amendment to the motion, seconded by Councilmember Jorstad, to amend Section b (2) to amend the regulations from 300 feet to 150 feet radius from one to another. The motion passed 4-3-0-0 with Councilmember Daughtry, Councilmember Petershagen and Councilmember Donoghue opposed.

AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION. Councilmember Tageant made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Jorstad, to amend Section b (3) to limit the number of short-term rentals in the City to 75 with no segregation for the lake.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT. Councilmember Jorstad offered a friendly amendment to have the total be 50 and revisit this again in 6 months. Councilmember Tageant agreed to her friendly amendment. The motion passed 4-3-0-0 with Councilmember Daughtry, Councilmember Petershagen and Councilmember Donoghue opposed.

ORIGINAL ORDINANCE VOTE AS AMENDED. Councilmember Jorstad made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Tageant, to approve Ordinance 1139 as amended with all three amendments. The motion passed 7-0-0-0.

Council took a break for 5 minutes and reconvened at 7:56 p.m.

Action Items

Fees Resolution

Director Wright explained that the City periodically adds fees for new services through a fees resolution. With consideration of new short-term regulations, Table A has been updated to include a \$500 application fee and \$100 renewal fee for short-term rentals as previously discussed with the City Council. The change is shown in underline mode.

MOTION. Councilmember Jorstad made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Tageant, to adopt Resolution 2023-05 Fees. The motion passed 7-0-0-0.

Discussion Items

Finalize Council Break Dates

After discussion, the Council agreed to take a summer recess from Council meetings from July 19 through September 1, 2023.

Review April 18, 2023 Council Meeting Agenda

Executive Session

The meeting recessed to executive session at 8:07 p.m. to discuss Collective Bargaining for approximately 10 minutes, until 8:17 p.m. The meeting reconvened to regular session at 8:17 p.m.

Adjourn

MOTION. Councilmember Jorstad made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Donoghue, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 7-0-0-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.


Brett Gajley, Mayor


Kelly M. Chelin, City Clerk