

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

September 23, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Hybrid Meeting - By Remote Participation via Zoom & in Person at The Mill Building

**CALL ORDER:** 6:00 p.m. Mayor Brett Gailey

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Council President Ryan Donoghue, Gary Petershagen, Kim Daughtry, Steve Ewing, Kymm Shipman, Kurt Hilt and Anji Jorstad.

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**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 Agenda**

Councilmember Shipman requested to add an action item to the agenda for the 91st Avenue SE Design Contract and Executive Session at the end of the meeting to discuss potential litigation.

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

**Guest Business**

Compensation Connections

**Citizen Comments**

Nathan Packard, Lake Stevens. Nathan provided comments about the proposed 2026 budget.

**Council Business**

**Mayor's Business**

**Consent Agenda**

**MOTION.** Councilmember Hilt made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Shipman, to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed 7-0-0-0.

The consent agenda items were as follows:

- 2025 Vouchers
- City Council Meeting Minutes of September 1, 2025
- City Council Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2025
- Cavalero Park Acquisition
- Second Biennium Grant Funding Contract with Department of Commerce for Salmonid Basins Plan
- Bayview Phase 1 Design - Professional Services Agreement with MacLeod Reckord, PLLC

### **Action Items**

#### Lundeen Light Repairs

Director Halverson explained that Public Works is requesting that the Council approve a \$55,000 budget amendment for the repairs and mitigation of several streetlights along Lundeen Parkway that have been vandalized.

**MOTION.** Councilmember Jorstad made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Ewing, to authorize the Mayor to sign a contract with Service Electric Co, Inc. for the Lundeen light repairs up to \$55,000. The motion passed 7-0-0-0.

#### 91st Ave SE Multi-use Path Phase 2 Design Contract

Engineer Romanaggi asked the Council to authorize the Mayor to sign the design contract with Prizm Consulting, Inc. for the 91st Ave SE Multiuse Path Phase 2. This project will design and construct a pedestrian and bicycle path on the east side of 91st Ave SE from 20th SE to 12th St SE, closing the last gap in the corridor.

**MOTION.** Councilmember Daughtry made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Ewing, to authorize the Mayor to sign the design contract with Prizm Consulting, Inc. for the 91<sup>st</sup> Ave SE Multiuse Path Phase 2. The motion passed 7-0-0-0.

### **Discussion Items**

#### Salmonid Basins Plan Introduction

Surface Water Manager Farrant and Jenn Scdmidt from Herrera Environmental Consultants presented to the Council. The Lake Stevens Plan for Salmonid Basins (the Salmonid Basins Plan) is a project based on an opportunity to advance watershed planning. The objective is to conserve salmon habitat and improve water quality. This project is funded through a Department of Commerce grant. The project includes a watershed-based management plan that integrates drainage basin issues with planned elements of the Lake Stevens Comprehensive Plan to protect and restore salmon habitat and water quality through city planning decisions. This plan will also help guide decisions for enhanced stormwater maintenance, water quality restoration, stormwater retrofits, and habitat preservation.

Council and staff engaged in a discussion. This will come back to the Council at a future meeting.

**STEP Housing and Co-Living Housing Code Amendments**

Senior Planner Levitan presented to the Council on potential amendments to the Lake Stevens Municipal Code (LSMC) to comply with HB 1220 (2021), which deals with STEP housing, and HB 1998 (2023), which deals with co-living housing. Updated development regulations must be adopted by December 31, 2025. Given the December 31, 2025 adoption deadline, staff will be issuing the 60-day adoption notice to the Department of Commerce in late September and anticipates City Council adoption in late November or early December, following a Planning Commission public hearing and recommendation and City Council public hearing. Staff will also be sharing the draft code language with the public, stakeholders and agencies to solicit community input.

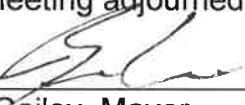
**Executive Session**

The meeting recessed to executive session at 7:50 p.m. for 10 minutes to discuss litigation/potential litigation per RCW 42.30. The meeting will be reconvened to regular session at 8:00 p.m. There will be no action.

**Adjournment**

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

  
Brett Gailey, Mayor

  
Kelly M. Chelin, City Clerk

  
Caitlin Weaver, Deputy City Clerk