

City of Selah City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 11, 2026



Call to Order

Mayor Bell called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Councilmembers Present: Joshua Redtfeldt, Elizabeth Marquis, Melissa Maxwell, Jared Iverson, Clifford Peterson, William Longmire

Councilmember Absent: David Monaghan

Staff Present: Roger Bell, Mayor; Mike Costello, City Administrator; Rob Case, City Attorney; Mick Gause, Police Chief; Jim Lange, Fire Chief; Carlos Hernandez, Finance Director; Ty Jones, Public Works Director; Laura Wilson, Community Development Supervisor; Zack Schab, Recreation + Tourism Manager; Courtney McGarity, City Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance

Invocation

Russell Carlson of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Oral Comments by People in Attendance

- Barb Petrea – Introduction of new SDA Executive Director, Ryan Mead
- Ryan Mead – SDA Updates

Consent Agenda (all items listed with an asterisk (*) are considered part of the consent agenda and are enacted in one motion).

Mayor Bell presented the stipulations of the Consent Agenda.

Approved Consent Agenda

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| A. | Courtney McGarity | * Approval of Minutes from July 28, 2026 Council Meeting |
| B. | Carlos Hernandez | * Approval of Claims & Payroll |
| C. | Ty Jones | * Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Local Agency Agreement Supplemental and a Local Agency Federal Aid Project |

Prospectus, Pertaining to the City's First Street Resurfacing (Yakima Ave to Fremont Ave) Project

- D. Ty Jones ~~* Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign "Amendment No. 3" to "Task Order No. 2023-09" with HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc., for Additional Professional Services Related to the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project~~
- E. Ty Jones * Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Six-Page Contract with Stellar J. Corporation for Construction Work on Phase 2 of the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project

Councilmember Iverson requested item 10D be removed from the Consent Agenda, to become 13B. Councilmember Iverson moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Councilmember Peterson seconded. Mayor Bell asked Council for discussion. Hearing none, Mayor Bell requested a voice vote to approve the motion and approve the Consent Agenda as amended. All are in favor. Motion carries by voice vote.

Public Hearings/Forums

- A. Ty Jones Open-Record Public Hearing to Receive Public Input Regarding the Potential Adoption of the "Selah Transit Development Plan 2026-2032 and 2025 Annual Report"

Resolutions

- A. Ty Jones Resolution Adopting the "Selah Transit Development Plan 2026-2032 and 2025 Annual Report"
- B. Ty Jones Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign "Amendment No. 3" to "Task Order No. 2023-09" with HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc., for Additional Professional Services Related to the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project

- A. Councilmember Iverson moved to approve the Resolution. Councilmember Longmire seconded. Following a roll call vote by Courtney McGarity, City Clerk, all are in favor. The motion is passed.
- B. Ty Jones clarified that the Amendment is not an additional amount, but part of the \$11 million award from the Department of Commerce. Councilmember Iverson moved to approve the Resolution. Councilmember Maxwell seconded. Following a roll call vote by Courtney McGarity, City Clerk, all are in favor. The motion is passed.

Staff Reports/Announcements

The following staff members provided a department report:

- Jim Lange, Fire Chief
- Laura Wilson, Community Development Supervisor
- Carlos Hernandez, Finance Director
- Zack Schab, Recreation + Tourism Manager
- Ty Jones, Public Work Director
- Mick Gause, Police Chief
- Courtney McGarity, City Clerk

Councilmember Reports

Councilmember Redtfeldt

- LTAC meeting has been scheduled for October 6th at 1pm.

Councilmember Marquis

- SDA – Attended the board meeting on 8/10. The SDA will have a booth at Outskirts for some upcoming events.
- RFA – Continuing to work on the agreement and are going over final edits to prepare for presentation to Council for review.

Councilmember Maxwell

- Selah School District – Will be attending the School Board meeting on 8/13.

Councilmember Peterson

- Attended National Night Out on 8/4.
- SPRSA – Will be attending the meeting on 8/17.

City Administrator's Report

- Continuing work on electronic timekeeping for City of Selah staff; hoping to narrow down a choice while keeping costs down.
- Attended National Night Out on 8/4.
- Working on welcome bags for residents moving into Selah that will have information inside, as well as promoting local businesses. We will be partnering with the SDA and Selah Chamber for this.
- Continuing work on archiving and moving files to the Ellensburg location.
- Working with Carlos on the budget spreadsheets to provide simplified information to Council.
- We have been doing a beautification process for City Hall which includes the new apple logo painted in Council Chambers, newly painted hallways and doors and shampooed carpets.
- Sauced & Smashed – Stopped in to see the new local restaurant before their soft opening this weekend.

Mayor's Report

- Selah Mining Co has reached out the City to gauge interest in purchasing their property before listing it on the market; no interest from Council.
- People for People has gifted the Civic Center their stoves, ovens and microwave which have been housed in the kitchen there but will no longer be of use to them. They have also requested a letter of support for their transportation funding which has been agreed to.
- Council needs to decide if they would prefer a Study Session ahead of presenting the Comp Plan at a hearing in October.

Adjournment

Mayor Bell moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Peterson seconded. Mayor Bell adjourned.

Meeting ended at 6:16 p.m.

ABSENT

David Monaghan, Councilmember

Elizabeth Marquis, Councilmember

Joshua Redtfeldt, Councilmember

Jared Iverson, Councilmember

ATTEST:

Courtney McGarity, City Clerk

Roger Bell, Mayor

Clifford Peterson, Councilmember

Melissa Maxwell, Councilmember

William Longmire, Councilmember