

City of Selah City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 22, 2025

Call to Order

Mayor Bell called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

Roll Call

Councilmembers Present: Clifford Peterson, Mike Costello, David Monaghan, Elizabeth Marquis, Melissa Maxwell, William Longmire

Councilmembers Absent: Jared Iverson

Staff Present: Roger Bell, Mayor; Rob Case, City Attorney; Dustin Soptich, Police Chief; Scott Willis, Deputy Fire Chief; Rocky Wallace, Public Works Director; Steve Zetz, Community Development Supervisor; Taryn Franck, Recreation Coordinator; Ron Anderson, Facilities Coordinator; Kimberly Grimm, Finance Director; Courtney McGarity, City Clerk

Staff Absent: Jim Lange, Fire Chief; Zack Schab, Recreation + Tourism Manager

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance

Invocation

Don Cline of Selah Bible Baptist provided prayer.

Pre-Arranged Oral Comments from the Public

- Pattie Graffe – Provided updates from Selah Downtown Association

Oral Comments by People in Attendance

- Brittany Packard – Spoke on home business; Bark and Breakfast

Proclamations/Announcements

- Proclamation – Yakima Training Center

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

- A. Courtney McGarity * Approval of Minutes from July 8, 2025 Council Meeting
- B. Kimberly Grimm * Approval of Claims & Payroll
- C. Rocky Wallace ~~* Resolution Authorizing the Signing and Submission of a Washington State Public Works Board Funding Application and Applicant Certification Related to the City's Brader Hill Water Storage Reservoir Project~~

Councilmember Marquis requested item 10C be removed from the Consent Agenda, to become 15C. Councilmember Costello moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Councilmember Maxwell 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. Motion carries by voice vote.

Public Hearing

- A. Steve Zetz Closed-Record Quasi-Judicial Public Hearing Regarding the Recommendation of the City's Hearing Examiner Regarding a Use Application to Locate a Daycare Business in the General Business (B-2) Zoning District

No public comments received.

Resolution

- A. Steve Zetz Resolution Approving a Use Application to Locate a Daycare Business in the General Business (B-2) Zoning District

A. Councilmember Costello 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.

Public Hearing

- A. Steve Zetz Closed-Record Quasi-Judicial Hearing Regarding Rezone Application for a Minor Rezone of Yakima County Assessor's Parcel Number 181302-14418 from Residential Two Family (R-2) to General Business (B-2)

No public comments received.

Resolutions

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| A. | Steve Zetz | Resolution Approving Rezone Application for a Minor Rezone of Yakima County Assessor's Parcel Number 181302-14418 from Residential Two Family (R-2) to General Business (B-2) |
| B. | Steve Zetz | Resolution Approving Rezone Application for a Major Rezone of Yakima County Assessor's Parcel Number 181302-14552, Consisting of both a Legislative Amendment to the City's Comprehensive Plan Land Use Designation Map for such Parcel from Moderate Density Residential to Commercial, and also a Rezone of such Parcel from Residential Two Family (R-2) to General Business (B-2) |
| C. | Rocky Wallace | Resolution Authorizing the Signing and Submission of a Washington State Public Works Board Funding Application and Applicant Certification Related to the City's Brader Hill Water Storage Reservoir Project |
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| A. | Councilmember Peterson moved to approve the Resolution. Councilmember Monaghan seconded. Following a roll call vote by Courtney McGarity, City Clerk, all are in favor. The motion is passed. |
| B. | Councilmember Costello 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. |
| C. | Councilmember Marquis 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:

- Courtney McGarity, City Clerk
- Taryn Franck, Recreation Coordinator
- Ron Anderson, Facilities Coordinator
- Dustin Soptich, Police Chief
- Steve Zetz, Community Development Supervisor
- Scott Willis, Deputy Fire Chief
- Rocky Wallace, Public Works Director
- Kimberley Grimm, Finance Director

Councilmember Reports

- Councilmember Longmire – Requested Council to discuss Code Enforcement; spoke on the process of having an item added to the City Council agenda
- Councilmember Peterson – SPRSA welcomed a new board member, Danny Jones
- Councilmember Maxwell – Asked for the hiring process to begin for the position of City Administrator

- Councilmember Marquis – Asked for the hiring process to begin for the position of City Administrator; there will be a ground breaking on July 31st for the new building which will include Howard Drug and Ausink Family Medicine

City Attorney Report

No Report.

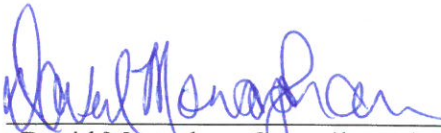
Mayor's Report

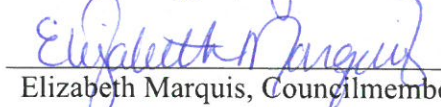
Danny Jones has been appointed to the SPRSA board; Jenny Rice has requested to complete a contract for the upcoming school year for the Find Your Wild after school program; thank you to the SDA for the new plants outside of City Hall; thank you to our Police, Fire and Public Works departments for their swift response to the Wixson/Hillcrest fire, and to JJ's Birrieria for providing meals to our first responders afterwards.

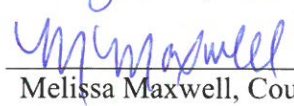
Adjournment

Councilmember ~~Iverson~~ moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Monaghan seconded. Mayor Bell adjourned.

Meeting ended at 7:08 p.m.

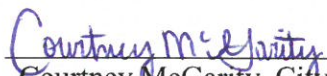

David Monaghan, Councilmember


Elizabeth Marquis, Councilmember

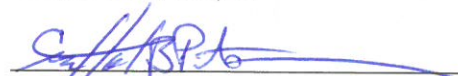

Melissa Maxwell, Councilmember

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Jared Iverson, Councilmember

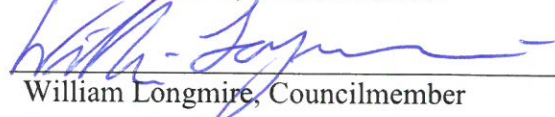
ATTEST:


Courtney McGarity, City Clerk


Roger Bell, Mayor


Clifford Peterson, Councilmember


Michael Costello, Councilmember


William Longmire, Councilmember