

March 25, 2026

The regular meeting of the Everett City Council was called to order at 12:30 p.m., March 25, 2026, by President Schwab.

Upon roll call, it was found that Mayor Franklin and Council Members Weir, Rhyne, Schwab, Burbano, Zarlingo, Bader, and Tuohy were present.

Council Member Bader led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Member Weir recited the land acknowledgement.

### MAYOR

Mayor Franklin recognized the retirement of Dr. Ronald Brown. Fire Chief Dave DeMarco shared more regarding Dr. Brown's contributions serving as the medical control physician for 25 years and presented him with a plaque. Dr. Brown thanked the community and Fire Department.

Mayor Franklin also acknowledged that today marks four years since the death of Officer Dan Rocha and reflected on Officer Rocha's service to the Police Department and the community.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the March 18, 2026, meeting were approved.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Council received 23 written comments and the following member of the public spoke: Maxwell Figarsky.

### COUNCIL

Several council members recognized Dr. Brown and thanked the public commenters.

Council Member Zarlingo commented on the State Route 99 Lynnwood and Unincorporated Snohomish County Pre-Design Study.

Council Member Weir commented on her attendance at the Historic Commission meeting. She stated the Charter Review Committee is hosting a public hearing at the Evergreen Library on

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Thursday, Bayside neighborhood is hosting Art in the Park at Clark Park on Saturday, and Everett High School is having their Blue and Gold Auction at Everett Community College.

Council Member Bader commented on his attendance at the Council of Neighborhoods meeting. He reminded the community they may donate to the CARE Team Flex Fund.

Council Member Rhyne commented on her attendance at two business openings: Recharge and the Everett Birthing Center. She stated Saturday will be busy downtown: there's a No Kings Rally, figure skating competition, and Silvertips games at Angel of the Winds Arena. She also sent along her condolences to the Police Department and Officer Rocha's family.

President Schwab commented on his attendance at three neighborhood meetings: Boulevard Bluffs, View Ridge-Madison, and Harborview-Seahurst-Glenhaven. He also said the Edgewater Bridge is possibly opening on April 28 and there will be a ribbon cutting with Mukilteo. He said the District 3 Town Hall is scheduled for April 16. He also asked if anyone wishes to be involved in the Advisory Group for Women and Children's Pallet Shelter on Sievers-Duecy Boulevard they should contact him.

#### ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

Senior Executive Director Mike Fong had no comments.

#### CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney David Hall had no comments.

#### CONSENT ITEMS:

**Moved by Council Member Zarlingo, seconded by Council Member Bader, to approve the following consent items:**

##### RESOLUTION - CLAIMS

**To adopt Resolution No. 8286 authorizing claims against the City of Everett in the amount of \$2,159,222.71 for the period ending March 7, 2026, through March 13, 2026.**

##### RESOLUTION – PAYROLL CLAIMS

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**To adopt Resolution No. 8287 authorizing payroll claims against the City of Everett in the amount of \$6,168,592.61 for the period ending March 7, 2026.**

AGREEMENT – LEASE AT EVERETT STATION

**To authorize the Mayor to sign the lease agreement with Ritchie Law PLLC at Everett Station.**

AGREEMENT AMENDED – LEASE AT EVERETT STATION

**To authorize the Mayor to sign Amendment No. 2 to the lease agreement with Bezos Academy at Everett Station.**

DONATION – FUND FOR THE ANIMALS

**To authorize the Mayor’s acceptance of a donation from Cheryl Ann Seeley in the amount of \$25,000 into the Fund for the Animals.**

AGREEMENT AMENDED - 2024 WATER QUALITY GRANT

**To authorize the Mayor to sign the 2024 Water Quality Grant Agreement Amendment No. 2 with the Washington State Department of Ecology in the amount not to exceed \$3,765,954.75.**

AGREEMENT AMENDED - PORT GARDNER STORAGE FACILITY CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES

**To authorize the Mayor to sign Amendment No. 1 to the professional services agreement with KBA, Inc. for Port Gardner Storage Facility Construction Management Services, to provide additional special inspection and testing services for total amount not to exceed \$8,921,364.**

BID AWARD - LOWELL RIVERFRONT TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS

**To award the construction contract for the Lowell Riverfront Trail Improvements to OMA Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,035,258.**

BID AWARD - MAIN LIBRARY HVAC REPLACEMENT PROJECT

**To award the construction contract for the Main Library HVAC Replacement Project to Apex Mechanical LLC in the Amount of \$2,079,308.**

AGREEMENT – PUBLIC WORKS MANAGEMENT, LEADERSHIP, AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS TRAINING

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**To authorize the Mayor to sign the Professional Services Agreement with Nash Consulting for management, leadership, and interpersonal skills training.**

BID AWARD – GREELY STREET WATER QUALITY RETROFIT PROJECT

**To award the Greely Street Water Quality Retrofit Project contract to SEI Neptune General Contractors at the lowest responsive and responsible bidder in the amount of \$475,187.**

CALL FOR BIDS – WPCF TFI BARSCREEN REPAIR PROJECT

**To authorize the call for bids for the WPCF TFI Barscreen Repair Project.**

AGREEMENT – CITYWIDE PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE DATA COLLECTION PROJECT

**To authorize the Mayor to sign a professional service agreement with Traffic Data Gathering (TDG) for the Citywide Pedestrian and Bicycle Data Collection Project.**

Roll was called with all council members voting yes.

**Motion carried.**

**PROPOSED ACTION ITEMS:**

COUNCIL BILL 2603-14

SECOND READING:

AN ORDINANCE creating a Special Improvement Project, entitled “PGSF WMVD Storm and Combined Sewer Improvements,” Fund 336, Program 037 and repealing Ordinance No. 3967-23

COUNCIL BILL 2603-15

FIRST READING:

AN ORDINANCE creating a Special Improvement Project, entitled “Evergreen Way Overlay,” Fund 303, Program 139, to accumulate all costs for the improvement

COUNCIL BILL 2603-16

FIRST READING:

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AN ORDINANCE creating a Special Improvement Project, entitled “Dorn Avenue Drainage Improvements,” Fund 336, Program 043, and repealing Ordinance No. 4048-24

**BRIEFING:**

**COUNCIL BILL 2603-17**

**FIRST READING:**

AN ORDINANCE approving the appropriations of the 2026 revised City of Everett Budget and amending Ordinance No. 4126-25

Presented by Kandy Bartlett, Administration and Mike Bailey, Finance

Discussion ensued with Mike answering Council questions.

**ACTION ITEM:**

**COUNCIL BILL 2602-10**

**THIRD AND FINAL READING:**

AN ORDINANCE to amend and close a Special Improvement Project entitled “Kiwanis Park Renovations,” Fund 354, Program 090, as established by Ordinance No. 4004-24

**Moved by Council Member Rhyne, seconded by Council Member Weir, that this is declared to be the third and final reading of Council Bill 2602-10.**

The City Clerk was directed to call roll for the final disposition of the ordinance.

AYES: Weir, Rhyne, Schwab, Burbano, Zarlingo, Bader, Tuohy  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: None

**Ordinance 4166-26 adopted.**

**COUNCIL BILL 2602-11**

**THIRD AND FINAL READING:**

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AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 4023-24, "Main Library HVAC Replacement Project," Fund 342, Program 041, to accumulate all costs for the project

**Moved by Council Member Bader, seconded by Council Member Zarlingo, that this is declared to be the third and final reading of Council Bill 2602-11.**

The City Clerk was directed to call roll for the final disposition of the ordinance.

AYES: Weir, Rhyne, Schwab, Burbano, Zarlingo, Bader, Tuohy  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: None

**Ordinance 4167-26 adopted.**

COUNCIL BILL 2602-12

THIRD AND FINAL READING:

AN ORDINANCE creating a Special Construction Project, entitled "Police Property Room Facility Tenant Improvement," Fund 342, Program 056, to accumulate design costs for the project.

**Moved by Council Member Zarlingo, seconded by Council Member Bader, that this is declared to be the third and final reading of Council Bill 2602-12.**

The City Clerk was directed to call roll for the final disposition of the ordinance.

AYES: Weir, Rhyne, Schwab, Burbano, Zarlingo, Bader, Tuohy  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: None

**Ordinance 4168-26 adopted.**

COUNCIL BILL 2602-13

THIRD AND FINAL READING:

AN ORDINANCE amending EMC 14.04.160, 14.16.650, 14.16.660, 14.16.700, improving administration of late utility payments

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**Moved by Council Member Rhyne, seconded by Council Member Bader, that this is declared to be the third and final reading of Council Bill 2602-13.**

Council Member Rhyne requested a briefing after the rollout of the system automations happen.

The City Clerk was directed to call roll for the final disposition of the ordinance.

AYES: Weir, Rhyne, Schwab, Burbano, Zarlingo, Bader, Tuohy  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: None

**Ordinance 4169-26 adopted.**

LONG RANGE PLAN – EVERETT TRANSIT

**Moved by Council Member Bader, seconded by Council Member Rhyne, to adopt the updated Everett Transit Long Range Plan, Connecting Everett in 2045.**

Council Member Bader requested that changes are influenced by those who don't ride the system to entice them to ride public transit.

Roll was called with all council members voting yes.

**Motion carried.**

The City Council meeting adjourned at 1:13 p.m.



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City Clerk

Read and approved.



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Council President

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