

April 22, 2026

The regular meeting of the Everett City Council was called to order at 12:30 p.m., April 22, 2026, by Vice President Rhyne.

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

Council Member Burbano led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Member Zarlingo recited the land acknowledgement.

MAYOR

Mayor Franklin stated she will be attending the Worker’s Memorial Service at Snohomish County Mission Building this evening and the Wendt and Mayor’s Arts Awards on Thursday evening. Mayor Franklin also discussed the future of transit and Sound Transit Light Rail in Everett and stated she is directing staff to work with Community Transit to further discuss consolidation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the April 15, 2026, meeting were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Council received 13 written comments and the following members of the public spoke: Evan Reed and Kathy Brown.

COUNCIL

Several council members thanked the public commenters.

Council Member Weir commented on her recent Police ride-along. She also commented on upcoming events, including the Wendt and Mayor’s Arts Awards, downtown planting and mural crosswalks.

Council Member Zarlingo commented on his attendance at the Regional Law and Justice Council meeting.

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Council Member Burbano stated the Walter E. Hall Playground Improvement Survey is out now and commented on the park upgrades needed in District 4.

Council Member Tuohy commented on upcoming mural crosswalks outside Schack Art Center and Imagine Children's Museum.

Council Member Bader commented on his attendance at the Transportation Advisory Committee and Puget Sound Regional Council Growth Management meetings.

Vice President Rhyne wished everyone a Happy Earth Day. She also commented on her attendance at the Everett Station District Alliance cleanup and the Public Facilities District meeting. She stated State Representative Mary Fosse is hosting a town hall at the Evergreen Library Branch on Saturday. She also commented on Indie Bookstore Week. Vice President Rhyne also stated her draft letter to Sound Transit regarding light rail to downtown Everett should be in Council email boxes and asked Council Members to provide feedback to Council Administrator Angela Ely. She also thanked Angela for her hard work on Administrative Professionals Day.

ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

Government Affairs Director Jennifer Gregerson commented on the Walter E. Hall Park Improvement Survey.

CITY ATTORNEY

Deputy City Attorney Ramsey Ramerman 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. 8294 authorizing claims against the City of Everett in the amount of \$2,481,903.91 for the period of April 4, 2026, through April 10, 2026.

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RESOLUTION – PAYROLL CLAIMS

To adopt Resolution No. 8295 authorizing payroll claims against the City of Everett in the amount of \$6,067,173.74 for the period ending April 4, 2026.

AGREEMENT - NORTH BROADWAY PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE

To authorize the Mayor to sign the Professional Services Agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$3,059,270.

Roll was called with all council members voting yes, except Council Member Schwab who was excused.

Motion carried.

PROPOSED ACTION ITEMS:

COUNCIL BILL 2604-21

SECOND READING:

AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance 4098-25 Entitled "Everett Outdoor Event Center," Fund 342, Program 052, to accumulate costs for the Design and Partial Property Acquisition for the Everett Outdoor Event Center Project

COUNCIL BILL 2604-22

SECOND READING:

AN ORDINANCE authorizing and providing for acquisition, including through the exercise of eminent domain, of land and real property rights for Parcel 26 for the purpose of constructing the Everett Outdoor Events Center Project; and authorizing the Mayor to enter into agreements related to acquisition of Parcel 26; and amending Ordinance 4100-25

Council Member Tuohy requested additional information about the other capital funding sources. Jennifer Gregerson stated staff would follow up.

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BRIEFING:

COUNCIL BILL 2604-23

FIRST READING:

AN ORDINANCE relating to establishing a Manufactured Housing Community Zone; amending the Zoning Map; amending Chapters 15.02 and 19.03, 19.04, 19.05, and 19.13 EMC; repealing Title 17 EMC; amending Ordinances 3774-20, 3534-17, and 4102-25

Presented by Alice Ann Wetzel, Planning

Discussion ensued with Alice Ann answering Council questions.

ACTION ITEMS:

PUBLIC HEARING – PETITION FOR A PROPOSED VACATION

Paul McKee, Real Property, provided an overview of the proposed vacation.

Vice President Rhyne opened the public hearing regarding the petition for the proposed vacation of the northern portion of the alley located in Block 6A, Plat of Laurel Heights lying adjacent to 1810 52nd Street SE.

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

Moved by Council Member Bader, seconded by Council Member Tuohy, to close the public hearing.

Roll was called with all council members voting yes, except Council Member Schwab who was excused.

Motion carried.

PETITION FOR A PROPOSED VACATION - PLAT OF LAUREL HEIGHTS LYING ADJACENT TO 1810 52ND STREET SE

Moved by Council Member Bader, seconded by Council Member Tuohy, to grant the petition for the proposed vacation of the northern portion of the alley located in Block 6A, Plat of Laurel Heights lying adjacent to 1810 52nd Street SE, and direct staff to prepare an ordinance vacating said alley subject to the conditions as contained in the attached staff report.

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Roll was called with all council members voting yes, except Council Member Schwab who was excused.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION – EMS LEVY

Fire Chief Dave Demarco provided an overview of the proposed EMS levy.

Moved by Council Member Bader, seconded by Council Member Tuohy, to approve Resolution No. 8296 directing the city clerk to file for an EMS levy in the August 4, 2026, Primary election and direct staff to advertise for community volunteers to be transmitted to the County to draft the Voters Pamphlet statements.

Roll was called with all council members voting yes, except Council Member Schwab who was excused.

Motion carried.

Vice President Rhyne stated the third and final reading of Council Bill 2603-20, regarding procedures for naming and renaming of City properties, is scheduled for the April 29 agenda.

The City Council meeting adjourned at 1:39 p.m.



City Clerk

Read and approved.



Council Vice President









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