



**CITY OF RIDGEFIELD, WASHINGTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 16, 2023**

Regular Meeting - 6:30 PM

I. STUDY SESSION - 5:30 P.M.

- 1. Washington State Legislative Agenda Update - Steve Stuart, City Manager, Mike Burgess, MJB Consulting**

II. GENERAL SESSION CALL TO ORDER - 6:30 PM

- 1. Flag Salute**
- 2. Roll Call**

Present:

Mayor Jennifer Lindsay
Mayor Pro Tem Rob Aichele
Council Member Matt Cole
Council Member Lee Wells
Council Member Ron Onslow
Council Member Judy Chipman
Council Member Clyde Burkle

- 3. Late changes to the agenda**

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

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IV. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED.

RESULT: (UNANIMOUS)

MOVER:	Mayor Pro Tem Rob Aichele
SECONDER:	Council Member Clyde Burkle
AYES:	Mayor Lindsay, Mayor Pro Tem Aichele, Council Member Cole, Council Member Wells, Council Member Onslow, Council Member Chipman, Council Member Burkle

1. **Approval of Claims And/Or Payroll**
2. **Approval of Minutes from the November 2, 2023 Meeting**

V. BUSINESS

1. **Motion - Approval of Washington State Legislative Agenda - Steve Stuart, City Manager, Mike Burgess, MJB Consulting**

The City Council reviewed and discussed 2024 Washington State legislative agenda.

MOTION: MOVED TO APPROVE 2024 WASHINGTON STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA.

RESULT:	(UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Council Member Matt Cole
SECONDER:	Mayor Pro Tem Rob Aichele
AYES:	Mayor Lindsay, Mayor Pro Tem Aichele, Council Member Cole, Council Member Wells, Council Member Onslow, Council Member Chipman, Council Member Burkle

2. **Second Reading of Ordinance No. 1411 - 2024 Property Tax Levy and Revenues - Kirk Johnson, Finance Director**

The 2024 budget includes a statutory maximum 1% increase in the current property tax levy exclusive of additional revenue resulting from new construction, improvements to property, any increase in the value of state assessed property, and annexations that have occurred, and including any refunds made. The Implicit Rate Deflator (IPD) Exceeds 1% for Setting 2024 Property Taxes: The IPD inflation rate as of September 25, 2023 is 3.67%. This means all taxing districts with populations of 10,000 or greater can take the full 1% levy increase in 2024 without adopting a resolution/ordinance of "substantial need." The 2023 regular levy amount was \$2,193,906. The statutory 1% increase would raise the property tax levy by \$21,939. In addition to the 1% increase, the Clark County Assessor's office has preliminary estimates showing the City's assessed value for new construction will add approximately \$168.2 million to the City's assessed value, adding approximately \$109,508 in property tax revenue. The Department of Revenue is still in the process of valuing state assessed utilities. These numbers should be available shortly. The value of the 2023 tax roll for state assessed utilities was \$19.6 million. To date, the estimated 2024 taxable assessed value for Ridgefield is \$3,811,838,441. The Assessor must certify the assessed values by November 14, 2023. The City must hold a revenue hearing and certify a property tax levy to the County by November 30, 2023. The City's current forecast for the 2024 property tax levy is \$2,340,000, an increase of \$131,000 from the amended 2023 budget. The estimate is for the City of Ridgefield levy amount to be 61.2 cents per \$1,000 assessed value a decrease of 3.9 cents from the 2023 levy amount. The 2024 General Fund operating expense budget has increased 9.6% over the 2023 operating expense budget to account for contractual and inflationary increases and an increase in 6 full-time positions. Current inflation indexes for the City are 3.5% in June 2023 compared to one year prior. Adoption of the 1% property tax levy increase does not match current inflation, but the increase is needed to maintain a balanced budget.

MOTION: MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 1411 AS PRESENTED.

RESULT:	(UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Council Member Ron Onslow
SECONDER:	Council Member Judy Chipman
AYES:	Mayor Lindsay, Mayor Pro Tem Aichele, Council Member Cole, Council Member Wells, Council Member Onslow, Council Member Chipman, Council Member Burkle

3. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 1412 - 2024 Water Utility Rate Code Amendment - Kirk Johnson, Finance Director

City staff conducted an updated comprehensive rate study in 2023 to determine the revenue requirements for the next 10 years in the water fund. The study reviews estimated expenses for operations, capital, and reserve requirements to fund the water utility. The rate model that has been developed out of the periodic rate studies is updated annually as part of the budget process. The study concluded that the water rates should be increased annually by an inflationary factor of 3% to insure the water fund can meet ongoing obligations to maintain the water system. The rate analysis analyzes expenses and revenues for the next 10 years for the Water Utility. Factors included assumptions for inflationary cost escalators, labor agreements, capital facility plans and growth assumptions. As a result of the update to the rate model, it was determined that rates for 2024 should increase at a minimum inflationary rate of 3%. Inflation is expected to continue at a higher than normal level through 2023. As a result of the growth in accounts and water usage, staff have calculated the rate increase can be maintained at the minimum inflationary rate of 3%. The city has been able to limit rate increases over the past several years due to the rapid growth in the customer base. Rates have not increased in 4 of the past six years with the only increase in January 2020 at 1.5% and January 2023 at 3%. For a household using an average of 1,600 cf of water, the rate increase would be approximately \$2.07 per bi-monthly billing cycle including utility tax. Due to the recommended rate increase and projected usage in 2024, rate revenue is expected to increase 7.9% over the amended 2023 budget. Expenses for the water utility fund are expected to increase 3% in 2024 over the amended 2023 budget. The water fund has several high priority capital infrastructure projects moving into construction over the next few years. City reserve policies also require 5% of rate revenues being set aside into a reserve fund for repair and replacement of existing water system infrastructure. The 2024 proposed budget currently shows a small surplus that will be used in future years for repair and replacement projects along with the new capital projects. The Budget Advisory Committee is recommending we implement the 3% increase in the rate. This increase is lower than the West Region Average Consumer Price Index for Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for the twelve months July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. The CPI-U was 3.5% for this time period. A 3% increase, together with the projected account growth due to new development, is proposed to maintain a financially healthy utility and complete needed capital maintenance projects.

MOTION: MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 1412 AS PRESENTED.

RESULT:	(UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Council Member Ron Onslow
SECONDER:	Council Member Lee Wells
AYES:	Mayor Lindsay, Mayor Pro Tem Aichele, Council Member Cole, Council Member Wells, Council Member Onslow, Council Member Chipman, Council Member Burkle

4. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 1413 - 2024 Storm Water Utility Rate Code Amendment - Kirk Johnson, Finance Director

The public storm water collection and treatment systems located within the City of Ridgefield must be

maintained and repaired by the City's Public Works Department. The Storm Water Utility was created in 2005 with the plan that the fees charged would be used to perform the required long-term management, maintenance and repair to the storm water systems, providing good stewardship of the environment, while correspondingly reducing the financial burden on the City's General Fund. Ordinance No. 1413 provides an amendment to the rate structure and a step toward generating the necessary revenue to assist in funding the Storm Water Utility. The City will be required to provide additional storm water treatment, inspection and compliance measures due to the population growth and NPDES Phase II Municipal Storm Water permit requirements beginning in 2024. As a result, staff have been proactively increasing maintenance to the storm water treatment system to be able to meet the new requirements of the future permit. Expenses have significantly increased over the past few years and the city uses a rate model to forecast revenue requirements to meet the operating and capital expense needs of the utility. The City conducted a comprehensive rate study in 2023 to determine the revenue requirements for the next 10 years for operations and capital. The study provided two options for council consideration. The first option was to increase rates \$3.00 per EDU to \$24.00 bi-monthly and to implement a system development charge at \$935 per EDU. The second option was to increase rates \$3.80 per EDU to \$24.80 bi-monthly with no system development charge. The council directed staff to bring option two back for final consideration. Staff continue to identify potential grant opportunities and/or low-cost loans to help fund the capital projects. The City obtained a \$2.4 million Public Works Board loan to finance the construction of 4 high priority storm water projects in the downtown core in 2024. The 2024 expense operating budget is expected to increase 12% over the 2023 operating budget. The 2024 operating budget when compared to the 2020 operating budget has increased 121% due to the additional storm water treatment requirements. The main reasons for the increase is the additional personnel and equipment required to meet the compliance needs for storm water drainage management. In addition, the storm water capital budget will increase by 211% in 2024. The rate increase is necessary to fund operations and capital requirements for the Storm Water fund. Rate revenue is expected to increase 22.5% due to growth in accounts and the recommended rate increase. The City is budgeting a Department of Ecology grant for \$130,000, available to be used in 2024-2025 for assistance in meeting compliance requirements as part of the new Storm Water Phase II permit. Ordinance No. 1413 proposes a \$3.80 per bi-monthly billing increase, per Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU). The 2024 rate would be increased to \$24.80 per EDU.

MOTION: MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 1413 AS PRESENTED.

RESULT:	(UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Council Member Ron Onslow
SECONDER:	Council Member Judy Chipman
AYES:	Mayor Lindsay, Mayor Pro Tem Aichele, Council Member Cole, Council Member Wells, Council Member Onslow, Council Member Chipman, Council Member Burkle

5. Motion - Approval of Interlocal Agreement with Clark-Cowlitz Fire Rescue on Voluntary Mitigation Related to Ordinance 1410 - Kirk Johnson, Finance Director

The City Council tasked staff with reviewing and analyzing the potential use of a new financing tool, Local Tax Increment Financing, to complete critical infrastructure projects in Ridgefield. The City has completed a project analysis report, conducted multiple public briefings and council presentations on the Ridgefield Tax Increment Area (TIA). In addition, staff have met with all taxing districts affected by the implementation of the TIA, the Ridgefield Chamber of Commerce, private developers, and partner agencies. Clark-Cowlitz Fire Rescue (CCFR) presented concerns to the City Council and staff about the impact of the TIA. The City Council and CCFR Board of Commissioners held a joint public meeting on September 13, 2023 to discuss the concerns and potential impacts of the TIA. The City continued to work

with CCFR to come to an agreement on voluntary mitigation steps as presented below. The CCFR Board of Commissioners asked for the voluntary mitigation to be memorialized in an interlocal agreement. The City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1410 on November 2, 2023, including the language for the voluntary mitigation. The interlocal agreement was presented to City Council for discussion and consideration.

MOTION: MOVED TO APPROVE THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RIDGEFIELD AND CLARK-COWLITZ FIRE AND RESCUE CONCERNING VOLUNTARY MITIGATION RELATED TO RIDGEFIELD ORDINANCE NO. 1410, AS PRESENTED, AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER, FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY (30) DAYS FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS MOTION TO EXECUTE AND ENTER INTO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT.

RESULT:	(UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Council Member Lee Wells
SECONDER:	Council Member Clyde Burkle
AYES:	Mayor Lindsay, Mayor Pro Tem Aichele, Council Member Cole, Council Member Wells, Council Member Onslow, Council Member Chipman, Council Member Burkle

6. Motion - Approval of Purchase and Sale Agreement for Property 8004 S 5th Street - Kirk Johnson, Finance Director

The city's water capital facilities plan identified the need for a water reservoir on the east side of the city. Council approved a budget line item for \$1.5 million for the east side reservoir. Staff located suitable property on the north side of S 5th Street north of the Union Ridge Business Park. The parcel is 5.33 acres, parcel number 214234000, address 8004 S 5th Street. The reservoir is needed to support the water capacity and fire flow needs for the next 20-years as the city continues to grow. The property the city identified was placed on the market by the seller, and the city began negotiations to purchase and/or acquire it under the threat of condemnation. The seller chose to negotiate and came to an agreement with the city on a price point of \$1.625 million which matched the appraised value the city commissioned plus any applicable closing costs. The original listing price was \$1.86 million. The water utility capital fund has additional unspent funds for separate capital projects that can be reallocated to cover the funding needs for this project without the need for a budget amendment. Pending approval of the purchase and sale agreement, the city will issue a request for qualifications to begin design of the east side reservoir with construction slated to occur in 2025.

MOTION: MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 8004 S 5TH STREET, PARCEL 214234000.

RESULT:	(UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Mayor Pro Tem Rob Aichele
SECONDER:	Council Member Matt Cole
AYES:	Mayor Lindsay, Mayor Pro Tem Aichele, Council Member Cole, Council Member Wells, Council Member Onslow, Council Member Chipman, Council Member Burkle

7. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 1409 - The Crossing Phases 1-3 Plat Alterations - Claire Lust, Community Development Director

The City Council held a public hearing on the proposed plat alterations on October 12, 2023. No public testimony was received. Council heard presentations from staff and the applicant's representative on the proposed plat The Crossing Phases 1-3 Plat Alterations (PLZ-23-0034-0036) Council Staff Report November 16, 2023 Page 5 alterations. The applicant's representative described the proposed change from HOA

ownership as necessary to obtain HUD financing for the project. The council posed follow-up questions for the applicant: 1. Is there any mechanism in the HUD financing that assures affordability? 2. How are the savings achieved through HUD financing passed on to renters? The applicant’s representative responded to these questions in a letter dated October 30, 2023.

The City Council conducted a discussion.

MOTION: MOVED TOP ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 1409 AS PRESENTED.

RESULT: (5-2)
MOVER: Council Member Burkle
SECONDER: Mayor Pro Tem Aichele
AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Aichele, Council Member Wells, Council Member Onslow, Council Member Chipman, Council Member Burkle
NAYS: Mayor Lindsay, Council Member Cole

8. Motion - Approval of Interlocal Agreement between and among Clark County and the cities of Battle Ground, Camas, La Center, Ridgefield, Washougal, and the town of Yacolt for cooperative climate planning - Claire Lust, Community Development Director

House Bill 1181, adopted in 2023, requires counties and cities planning under the Growth Management Act (GMA) to include a climate element as part of their periodic comprehensive plan updates. For jurisdictions with a population greater than 6,000 both a climate resilience subelement and a greenhouse gas emissions reduction subelement are required. Ridgefield is required to include both subelements in our 2025 comprehensive plan update. Due to the regional nature of climate impacts, planning staff from Clark County and each of its constituent cities and towns (except Vancouver) desire a cooperative approach to collecting the baseline greenhouse gas emissions and climate resiliency data that will inform local climate planning goals and policies. The County will hire a consultant team to perform the baseline data collection and initial analysis, and through this agreement each of the cities would pay a proportionate share of the fees associated with this work. This approach would create time and cost efficiencies for individual jurisdictions and ensure we are working from a shared understanding of existing conditions. This interlocal agreement would cover the baseline data collection and initial analysis only. City staff would then work with our own comprehensive plan consultant team to integrate discussion of these results into our own public participation process, including conversations with Council. Ultimately, the 2025-2045 comprehensive plan will include climate goals and policies that are meaningfully tailored to Ridgefield but also based on the same data as the goals and policies developed by our regional partners.

MOTION: MOVED TO APPROVE THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH CLARK COUNTY FOR COOPERATIVE CLIMATE PLANNING.

RESULT:	(UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Mayor Pro Tem Rob Aichele
SECONDER:	Council Member Clyde Burkle
AYES:	Mayor Lindsay, Mayor Pro Tem Aichele, Council Member Cole, Council Member Wells, Council Member Onslow, Council Member Chipman, Council Member Burkle

9. Motion - Approval of The Reserve at Seven Wells (Phase 6) Final Plat - Claire Lust, Community Development Director

The Ridgefield Hearing Examiner approved the preliminary plat for Ridgecrest Planned Unit Development

(PUD) on November 10, 2016. The project is also subject to the July 27, 2017 development agreement made between the City of Ridgefield and the Developer. The subdivision is now known as Seven Wells Estates. Phase 6 was identified as 63-lot area in the northwest corner of the development. It is adjacent to South Royle Road to the west, an undeveloped 14-acre parcel to the north, and critical area and open space tracts to the south and east between Phase 6 and the rest of Seven Wells Estates. On October 28, 2022 staff approved a post-decision review (PDR) application for Phase 6. The PDR reduced the area and width of twelve lots in Phase 6 consistent with the PUD provisions in RDC 18.401.100 and increased the area of other lots to maintain the total number of lots (63) and overall layout of the phase. The Phase 6 (The Reserve) final plat proposal is to subdivide Assessor's Parcel #215597000 into 63 single-family residential lots. The minimum lot area is 4,444 square feet, the maximum lot area is 11,244 square feet, and the average lot area is 7,120 square feet consistent with the preliminary PUD and the 2022 PDR. Phase 6 is designed as a private community, with a series of private roads accessed from S Royle Road , the nearest public street. All roads are to be owned and maintained by the HOA, with an ingress, egress, and inspection easement over all public utilities and apparatuses granted to CRWWD and CPU. The community will be gated, as is required for private communities exceeding eight lots by the Ridgefield Engineering Standards for Public Works Construction. Due to the single point of vehicular access to the site, Clark Cowlitz Fire Rescue will require all homes to have fire sprinklers. Staff recommends City Council approve The Reserve at Seven Wells (Phase 6) Final Plat subject to conditions of approval.

MOTION: MOVED TO APPROVE THE RESERVE AT SEVEN WELLS FINAL PLAT AS CONDITIONED.

RESULT:	(UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Council Member Matt Cole
SECONDER:	Council Member Judy Chipman
AYES:	Mayor Lindsay, Mayor Pro Tem Aichele, Council Member Cole, Council Member Wells, Council Member Onslow, Council Member Chipman, Council Member Burkle

10. Motion – Approval of Paradise Pointe Phase 3 Final Plat - Claire Lust, Community Development Director

The project is subject the Brown Development and Pre-Annexation Agreement (October 18, 2016), as amended on August 10, 2023. The Hearing Examiner approved the preliminary plat for the Paradise Found Planned Unit Development (PUD) via final order on December 31, 2018. The approved preliminary plat had 296 single-family residential lots. On March 22, 2023 staff approved a post-decision review reconfiguring the layout of the PUD but maintaining a total of 296 lots. A minimum lot area of 7,079 square feet and a maximum lot area of 13,000 square feet were approved through the PDR. The project has since been renamed to Paradise Pointe. Phase 3 is in the southeast corner of the site, adjacent to N Royle Road to the east, the east-west collector through Paradise Pointe to the north, the future Paradise Pointe community park to the west, and undeveloped low density residential parcels to the south. The Paradise Pointe Phase 3 proposal is to subdivide Assessor's Parcel #213070000 into 82 single-family detached residential lots. The lots range from 7,078 square feet (Lot 74) to 10,257 square feet (Lot 81). The average lot area is 7,276 square feet. The minimum lot area approved through the preliminary PUD and enumerated in Plat Note 10 is 7,079 square feet. As a condition of approval, the applicant shall increase the minimum lot area to 7,079 square feet prior to obtaining City signatures on the final plat mylar. Staff recommends City Council approve the Paradise Pointe Phase 3 Final Plat including removal of the UH-10 zoning overlay subject to the conditions of approval.

MOTION: MOVED TO APPROVE THE PARADISE POINTE PHASE 3 FINAL PLAT AS CONDITIONED.

RESULT:	(UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Council Member Judy Chipman
SECONDER:	Council Member Ron Onslow
AYES:	Mayor Lindsay, Mayor Pro Tem Aichele, Council Member Cole, Council Member Wells, Council Member Onslow, Council Member Chipman, Council Member Burkle

VI. PUBLIC HEARING/BUSINESS

1. Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance No. 1414 - Lahti Property Comprehensive Plan Amendments - Claire Lust, Community Development Director

The Lahti property is located at 5145 Pioneer Street. The site is 33.19 acres and is zoned Employment (E). Surrounding zoning and uses include:

- Commercial Regional Business (CRB) land to the north across Pioneer Street, with mixed commercial development proposed as the Union Ridge Town Center and Ridgefield Gateway projects.
- CRB land to the east occupied by the Vancouver Clinic. Staff Report: Lahti Property Comprehensive Plan Amendments Page 2 November 16, 2023
- Employment land to the east developed with light industrial uses.
- Employment land to the south under development as the Pac Trust industrial center.
- Employment land immediately to the west with a stormwater facility.
- Commercial Community Business (CCB) land to the west developed as the Discovery Ridge commercial center.

On August 24, 2023, City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1407 removing the Ridgefield Mixed Use Overlay (RMUO) from the Lahti property. The purpose of this action was to begin facilitating development of a medical office on the northeast portion of the property. At the time of the RMUO removal, the applicant indicated their intent to subsequently go through a comprehensive plan amendment to re-designate the western portion of the site from Employment to Commercial to facilitate future commercial development. The first component of this proposal is to change the zoning on the western portion of the site from Employment (E) to Commercial Community Business (CCB). In order to achieve this zone change, a comprehensive plan amendment is also required to change the underlying comprehensive plan designation from Employment (EM) to General Commercial (GC). The second component of this proposal is to remove a planned segment of S 3rd Way from the Capital Facilities Plan (CFP). In the project narrative, the applicant states that the proposed change from Employment to Commercial would create a more consistent commercial corridor along Pioneer Street, with the opportunity to develop easily accessible commercial services for the community. The stated purpose of the proposed CFP revision is to preserve continuity for the on-site stream corridor while still supporting anticipated traffic volumes.

MAYOR LINDSAY OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING: 7:59PM

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MAYOR LINDSAY CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING: 8:04PM

MOTION: MOVED TO WAIVE THE SECOND READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 1414 AS PRESENTED.

RESULT:	(UNANIMOUS)
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MOVER:	Council Member Ron Onslow
SECONDER:	Council Member Clyde Burkle
AYES:	Mayor Lindsay, Mayor Pro Tem Aichele, Council Member Cole, Council Member Wells, Council Member Onslow, Council Member Chipman, Council Member Burkle

2. Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance No. 1415 - 2024 Proposed Budget - Kirk Johnson, Finance Director

The 2024 budget represents the proposed fiscal plans for the City of Ridgefield for calendar year 2024. It took the collaborative efforts of the Budget Advisory Committee, City Council, senior management, staff, and citizen input to develop and create the budget. Meetings were held throughout the budget development process to discuss the budget in more detail and to ensure understanding. These meetings included three Budget Advisory Committee meetings, which were held on August 15h, September 19th, and October 17th. The City also conducted two City Council work sessions, which were held on August 27th, and September 24th, and one presentation on October 26th. Input and feedback gained throughout this process was reviewed and incorporated into the budget as appropriate. Copies of the budget have been made available to the Budget Advisory Committee, City Council, senior management, and staff for review as updates were made throughout the process. A proposed draft of the budget was made available to the public on the City's website on November 1, 2023.

MAYOR LINDSAY OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING: 8:10PM

No testimony was received.

MAYOR LINDSAY CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING: 8:10PM

First reading conducted.

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VIII. COUNCIL/PRESIDING OFFICER/STAFF REPORTS

1. Council

Council Member Onslow - Attended Tree Planting Event, Wine Walk Event with Mayor Lindsay, Christmas Tree Lighting at Ilani, Veterans Day Ceremony at Overlook Park, All Hands Staff Meeting with City Employees, C-TRAN Meeting, City Manager Briefing, Union Ridge Thanksgiving Lunch.

Council Member Burkle - Attended Union Ridge Thanksgiving Lunch, City Manager Briefing, All Hands Staff Meeting with City Employees, Veterans Day Ceremony at Overlook Park, Christmas Tree Lighting at Ilani, Port of Ridgefield Meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Aichele - Attended AWC District 5 Meeting in Longview WA, Ilani Groundbreaking for a New Restaurant Called Rock & Brew, RMS Board of Directors Meeting, RMS Retreat Meeting, Christmas Tree Lighting at Ilani, All Hands Staff Meeting with City Employees, Ridgefield Chamber of Commerce, City Manager Briefing, Port of Ridgefield Meeting.

Council Member Wells - Attended AWC District 5 Meeting in Longview WA, Ilani Groundbreaking for a

new Restaurant Called Rock & Brew, Christmas Tree Lighting at Ilani, City Manager Briefing.

Council Member Chipman - Attended many of the same meetings, wine walk event, Veterans Day Ceremony at Overlook Park.

Council Member Cole - Attended Realtor Foundation Grant Reception, School District Board Meeting, Kudos to Ridgefield Sports and good luck.

2. Mayor

Attended 3rd Grade Government Project and Mayor Interview at South Ridge. CCF&R Board Meeting.

3. City Manager

City Manager Steve Stuart - Congrats to Council that put their name on the ballot and re-election, attended the Veterans Day Ceremony at Overlook Park, and the All Hands Staff Meeting on LEAN training. Public Works Director Chuck Green - Overlook Park and Splash Pad update provided.

Deputy City Manager Lee Knottnerus - Make a Difference Month update provided. Hometown Celebration is December 2nd.

IX. ADJOURN

8:32PM



Julie Ferriss, City Clerk



Jennifer Lindsay, Mayor