



**CITY OF RIDGEFIELD, WASHINGTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 14, 2025**

Regular Meeting - 6:30 PM

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

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

Present:

Mayor Matt Cole
Council Member Lee Wells
Mayor Pro Tem Judy Chipman
Council Member Clyde Burkle
Council Member Katie Favela
Council Member Rian Davis
Council Member Meghan Hamilton

- 3. Late changes to the agenda**

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

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III. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED.

RESULT: (UNANIMOUS)

MOVER: Council Member Clyde Burkle

SECONDER: Council Member Lee Wells

AYES: Mayor Cole, Council Member Wells, Mayor Pro Tem Chipman , Council Member Burkle, Council Member Favela, Council Member Davis, Council Member Hamilton

- 1. Approval of Claims And/Or Payroll**

2. Approval of Minutes from the July 24, 2025 Meeting

IV. PRESENTATION

1. Envision Ridgefield 2045: Draft Parks and Recreation Element - Claire Lust, Community Development Director

The Parks & Recreation Element was identified as a required component of Envision Ridgefield 2045, the City's 20-year growth management plan. Its purpose was to reaffirm existing and establish new high-level goals and policies consistent with the City's Parks Capital Facility Plan and Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan. During the meeting, staff presented updates on the City's ongoing parks planning efforts, and the Council was given an opportunity to provide feedback on the draft parks and recreation goals and policies.

V. BUSINESS

1. Motion - Park Name Dedication: Paradise Pointe PUD Park - Corey Crownhart, Park Manager

The City Council reviewed the naming process for the public park within the Paradise Pointe Planned Unit Development, an 18.2-acre park that will serve the broader Ridgefield community and enhance the city's parks, trails, and open spaces network. To support the naming effort, the City conducted a community survey in June and held a public hearing on June 11, facilitated by the Parks Board. Public input gathered through these efforts informed the Parks Board's formal recommendation to City Council. The Council conducted a discussion regarding the naming recommendation and decided to continue exploring potential names for the park.

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VII. COUNCIL/PRESIDING OFFICER/STAFF REPORTS

1. Council

Council Member Davis – Attended AWC Budget Workshop in Wenatchee and participated in a ride-along with Officer Siem.

Council Member Favela – Attended City Days, National Night Out, the City employee picnic, and a CCFR meeting.

Council Member Wells – Attended City Days, National Night Out, and a ribbon cutting ceremony.

Council Member Burkle – Attended City Days, National Night Out, and a Port of Ridgefield meeting; provided update on the Green Bag program.

Council Member Hamilton – Attended the City employee picnic, National Night Out, Main Street Board meeting, Friends of the Refuge Board meeting, and a CCFR meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Chipman – Attended National Night Out, an Art Association Board meeting, a ribbon cutting ceremony, and a CRWWD meeting; provided update on the Neighbors Helping Neighbors program.

2. Mayor

Mayor provided an update on the City's representation on the CTRAN Board and the Public Transportation Benefit District.

3. City Manager

Deputy City Manager Lee Knottnerus reminded Council that Farm 2 Table is scheduled for Saturday, August 16.

Public Works Director Ryan Thamert introduced new employee Miranda Lange, Public Works Infrastructure Deputy Director.

Community Development Director Claire Lust recognized staff for process improvement efforts and announced that the Comprehensive Plan open house is scheduled for September 16.

Police Chief Cathy Doriot thanked staff and community members for their participation in the National Night Out event.

VIII. ADJOURN

7:54PM



Julie Ferriss, City Clerk



Matt Cole, Mayor