



**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.
22710 E. COUNTRY VISTA DRIVE**

The purpose of the Community Engagement Commission is to serve in an advisory capacity to the mayor and City Council. The Commission's role is to gather ideas, input, and feedback from community members, and to advise and guide city leadership.

- Sign up to provide public comment at the meeting via calling in.
- Submit written public comment prior to 4:00 p.m. on the date of the meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVALS

- a. Agenda
- b. Minutes of meeting of Jan. 21, 2026

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

5. CITY HALL UPDATES (David Goehner)

- a. See handout

6. DISCUSSIONS & BUSINESS

- a. Feb. 17 City Council Meeting update (Norman, Stussy)
- b. Updates from Sidewalk Master Plan work group (Saba, Lankford)
- c. Updates from Capital Facilities Plan work group (Stussy)
- d. Updates on Community Satisfaction Survey & Parks Capital Improvement Program Priorities (Goehner)
- e. 4th of July "Founders & Fireworks" & promotion
- f. Other upcoming opportunities?

7. NEXT MEETING: March 18, 2026, at 6 p.m.

- a. Requested items for agenda?

8. ADJOURNMENT

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PUBLIC COMMENT

If you wish to provide oral public comments during the Community Engagement Commission meeting, you may do so in-person at City Hall or virtually via zoom. You may speak in-person at City Hall, or if you wish to speak via zoom, please join the zoom meeting using the meeting information above. Public comments will be invited during the appropriate section of the agenda, at which time you can send a request to speak to our meeting host using the chat function within the zoom meeting.

WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS

If you wish to provide written public comments for the Community Engagement Commission meeting, please email your comments to tgarcia@libertylakewa.gov by 4:00 p.m. the day of the commission meeting and include all the following information with your comments:

1. The meeting date
2. Your first and last name
3. If you are a Liberty Lake resident
4. The agenda item(s) you are speaking about

If providing written comments, the comments received will be acknowledged during the public meeting, but not read. All written comments received by 4:00 p.m. will be provided to commission members in advance of the meeting.



CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE
Community Engagement Commission Minutes
Jan. 21, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Community Engagement Commission was called to order by vice chair Bill Norman on Jan. 21, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Position 1: Robin Bekkedahl **Present**
Position 2: Bill Norman **Present**
Position 3: Brittany Sitton **Present**
Position 4: Vacant
Position 5: Ralph Carlberg **Present**
Position 6: Vacant

Position 7: Leah Stussy **Present**
Position 8: Logan Lankford **Online**
Position 9: Mark Saba **Online**
Communications specialist David Goehner **Present**

APPROVALS:

Commissioner Stussy moved and Commissioner Saba seconded to approve the meeting's agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Saba moved and Commissioner Bekkedahl seconded to approve the meeting minutes of Dec. 21, 2025. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

CITY HALL UPDATES:

Goehner introduced the City Hall Update that had been mailed out earlier in the week, and reported that Dan Dunne had been elected as the new mayor pro tem during the previous night's City Council meeting. Commission members also discussed the current removal of trees at the Liberty Lake Golf Course property on Sprague Ave. and some of the public response to this, with some comments on how communication to residents could be improved in the future.

DISCUSSIONS & BUSINESS:

A – 2026 Community Satisfaction Survey: Goehner provided updates on the recent response numbers to the current survey, with comparisons to previous years' totals. Discussion followed among the commissioners on promoting the survey through each member's homeowner association group. Discussion from commission members followed about making a paper version available for this year's online survey that could be mailed to expand access to residents who request it. Comments also advocated for a message to be posted to assist people who may have difficulty doing the online survey.

B – Commission membership term limits: Commissioner Bekkedahl moved and Commissioner Saba seconded to eliminate the sentence pertaining to term limits in Ordinance 277 (Section 2.C.). Discussion followed. Commissioner Bekkedahl moved to amend her motion to specify that the commission’s recommendation go to the City Council to remove the term limits and to remove the geographic requirements of commission positions 1-4 in the ordinance (Ordinance 277a.2.B.3.). The amendment passed unanimously. A vote on the motion as amended also passed unanimously. Commissioners Norman, Saba, and Bekkedahl said they would be available to speak about the commission’s request when it is brought up during a City Council meeting in February.

C – Other upcoming opportunities: No comments were made.

NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS:

Requested items were:

- Discussion of outcomes of the commission’s recommendations from City Council meeting of Feb. 17.
- Updates on the Sidewalk Master Plan work group.
- Updates on the Capital Facilities Plan work group
- Updates on the 2026 Community Satisfaction Survey.
- Promotion of 4th of July event.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Carlberg moved and Commissioner Stussy seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m., which was approved. The next regular meeting will be held on Feb. 18, 2026.

City Hall Updates for Community Engagement Commission

2-13-2026

1. Public Works:

- There have been some recent community discussions (on social media and during City Council public comment time) about the removal of trees in Liberty Lake. For good sources of fact-based information addressing these topics, see the following on the city's Facebook site:
 - Removal of trees at Sprague Ave. on Spokane County's Liberty Lake Golf Course: Posted Jan. 22 at 4:16 p.m. (and currently on city's homepage)
 - Renovations to medians on Molter Road: Posted Feb. 3 at 9:43 a.m.
 - Criteria for becoming a "Tree City": Posted Feb. 4 at 3:54 p.m.

2. Parks and Recreation:

- Parks and Recreation will be presenting Touch A Truck for 2026, after the library wanted to step away from it for this year. Event is planned for Friday, June 6, during late afternoon through early evening (instead of morning), and this time at Town Square Park (instead of Orchard Park).

3. City Podcast:

- Most recent shows: Details about Flock cameras from LLPD Chief Damon Simmons, and Seattle Seahawks overview with city Finance director Kyle Dixon.
- Upcoming: Frequently asked questions at the City Hall reception desk with Tait Garcia, posting during last part of February. Remembrances of former mayor Shane Brickner with former LLPD chief Brian Asmus, posting in early March. Sidewalk master plan discussion also forthcoming.

-- David Goehner