



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2026,
HELD IN PERSON & REMOTELY**

6:00 P.M. Regular Session:

Invocation: Given by Mayor Pro Tem Dunne.

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by City Council and staff.

Call to Order: Mayor Kaminskas called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Roll Call: City officials who physically attended the meeting: Mayor Kaminskas; Councilmembers Ball, Darrow, Severs, Klingler, Kurtz, Fisher, and Mayor Pro Tem Dunne; Mark McAvoy, City Administrator; Kyle Dixon, Finance Director; Sean Boutz, City Attorney; David Goehner, Communications Specialist; Darin Morgan, Deputy Police Chief; Shane Miller, IT Manager; Ben Turner, Public Works Director; and Rochelle Caton, City Clerk.

City officials who remotely attended the meeting via Zoom: Police Chief Damon Simmons; Amy Mullerleile, Interim Community Development Director; Jennifer Camp, Parks and Recreation Director; Jandy Humble, Library Director; Michael Stevens, Recreation Coordinator; Derek Kosanke, Parks Superintendent; and Luke Michels, City Engineer.

Agenda Approval: Mayor Pro Tem Dunne made a motion to move Items 11.A, 11.B, and 11.C to Item 7.B. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Severs and passed 7-0.

Councilmember Ball made a motion to move Item 10.D to Item 11.G. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dunne and passed 7-0.

Mayor Pro Tem Dunne made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Severs. The Mayor called for a vote, and the motion passed 7-0.

Citizen Comments: No comments were made.

Announcements / Proclamations / Special Presentations:

Shane Brickner Memorial Proclamation: Mayor Kaminskas shared remarks about Shane Brickner. Rochelle Caton, City Clerk, read the Shane Brickner Memorial Proclamation. Mayor Pro Tem Dunne made a motion to support the proclamation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Severs and passed 7-0.

11.A Appointment of Laura DeMott to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee: Laura DeMott shared comments regarding her interest in serving on the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee. Mayor Pro Tem Dunne made a motion to approve the appointment of Laura DeMott. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Severs and passed 7–0.

11.B Appointment of David Stuhlberg to the Civil Service Commission: David Stuhlberg shared comments regarding his interest in serving on the Civil Service Commission. Mayor Pro Tem Dunne made a motion to approve the appointment of David Stuhlberg. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Severs and passed 7–0.

11.C Appointment of Jacob Vanlandingham to the Civil Service Commission: Jacob Vanlandingham shared comments regarding his interest in serving on the Civil Service Commission. Mayor Pro Tem Dunne made a motion to approve the appointment of Jacob Vanlandingham. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Severs and passed 7–0.

Reports & Inquiries:

City Council: Mayor Pro Tem Dunne commented on the planning underway for the Pavilion Park Summer Festival. He also commended staff for providing the median renderings of Molter for community awareness.

Councilmember Ball commented on a recent tour of the Public Works Yard.
Councilmember Darrow commented on recently attending the AWC City Action Days.

Mayor: Mayor Kaminskas provided information regarding recently attended and upcoming meetings, including, but not limited to, AWC City Action Days; the Greater Spokane Valley Chamber Networking Event; the Visit Spokane Annual Meeting; the Greater Spokane Valley Chamber Board Retreat; and the GSI Regional Economic Development Dialogue.

The Mayor also mentioned an ongoing issue with the City of Spokane charging utility tax to a portion of the Liberty Lake community served by one of their wastewater treatment facilities. Surrounding jurisdictions met to discuss opposition and potential impacts. A meeting will be scheduled for next week, and more information will be forthcoming.

City Administrator: City Administrator McAvoy updated the Council and community on upcoming events and reminders, including a forthcoming legislative priority update following Policy and Fiscal Committee cutoff dates, the 2026 Community Satisfaction Survey, and the Make a Request feature.

City Administrator McAvoy then invited Ben Turner, Public Works Director, who provided an update on the Tree Removal/Median Improvement Project. Finally, the City Council further discussed the upcoming City Council Retreat.

Workshop Discussions:

Final Network Analysis: Amy Mullerleile, Interim Community Development Director introduced Mitch Hadfield with Parametrix who provided a presentation on the Final Network Analysis. Questions were asked and answered throughout. A resolution will be forthcoming at a future meeting for Council consideration.

Pavement Master Plan: Ben Turner, Public Works Director, provided a presentation on the Pavement Master Plan. Questions were asked and answered throughout.

Police Department Evidence Custodial Fund: Kyle Dixon, Finance Director, provided a brief overview and presentation on the Police Department Evidence Custodial Fund. Questions were asked and answered throughout. The first reading of Ordinance 316 will occur this evening, and the second reading will be on February 17, 2026, for Council consideration and adoption.

General Business – Consent Agenda:

Mayor Pro Tem Dunne made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 10.A, 10.B, 10.C, 10.E, 10.F, 10.G, 10.H, 10.I, 10.J, and 10.K. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Severs and passed 7–0.

- **10.A** Meeting Minutes: Approve the January 20, 2026, City Council Meeting Minutes.
- **10.B** December 31, 2025, and February 3, 2026, Vouchers: in the amount of \$944,976.85.
- **10.C** Additional Fireworks for the July 4, 2026, Display: in an amount not to exceed \$12,500.
- **10.E** Purchase of Mechanic Pickup Truck: in an amount not to exceed \$78,000.
- **10.F** Purchase of SCAG Zero-Turn Mower: in an amount not to exceed \$11,306.58.
- **10.G** Purchase of John Deere XUV: in an amount not to exceed \$40,179.74.
- **10.H** Purchase of Light Displays for 2026 “Home for the Holidays”: in an amount not to exceed \$12,913.15.
- **10.I** Purchase of John Deere Triplex Greens Mower: in an amount not to exceed \$56,118.96.
- **10.J** Purchase of Recreation/Events Storage Trailer: in an amount not to exceed \$12,152.03.
- **10.K** Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Annual Membership: in an amount not to exceed \$11,793.00.

General Business - Action Items:

11.D Donation - Rainbow Bridge Project: Mayor Pro Tem Dunne made a motion to approve item 11.D. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Severs. Questions were asked and answered throughout. The mayor then called for a vote on approving the donation, which passed 7-0. A future project plan will come forward.

11.E Donation for the 4th of July from ICCU: Mayor Pro Tem Dunne made a motion to approve item 11. E. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Severs and passed 7-0.

11.F Purchase Police Officer Tactical Helmets: Mayor Pro Tem Dunne made a motion to approve item 11.F. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Severs and passed 7-0.

10.D City Park Security Camera Upgrade: Mayor Pro Tem Dunne moved the item for discussion, which was seconded by Councilmember Kurtz. Discussion ensued, and questions were asked and answered throughout by Chief Simmons and Shane Miller, IT Manager. The Mayor called for a vote on the motion to approve. The motion passed 6–1, with Councilmember Ball opposed.

Council Comments: None were given

Public Hearings / Appeals: No items currently

Resolutions: No items currently

Ordinances:

Ordinance 316 - An Ordinance of the City of Liberty Lake, WA establishing the PD Evidence Custodial Fund: Rochelle Caton, City Clerk; read by title Ordinance 316.-1st read.

Emergency Ordinances: None

Introduction of Upcoming Agenda Items: Mayor Pro Tem Dunne provided clarity on the workshop discussion and expressed his interest in reinstating the Finance, Community Development, and Public Safety Council Committees. This is tentatively scheduled for March 3, 2026.

The Youth Commission is tentatively scheduled for March 17, 2026.

After discussion regarding spring break during the first week of April, Mayor Pro Tem Dunne made a motion to move the first meeting in April from the 7th to the 14th. The

second meeting will remain on the 21st as regularly scheduled. Councilmember Darrow seconded the motion. The Mayor called for a vote, which passed 7-0.

Councilmember Kurtz discussed the shared response to homelessness, the Youth Commission, and town halls in general.

Councilmember Ball mentioned Hazard Mitigation as a potential topic for the April 21st meeting.

Citizen Comments: None were given

Executive Session: No items currently

Adjournment:

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01. p.m.

These minutes were approved February 17, 2026.



Cris Kaminskas, Mayor
City of Liberty Lake



These minutes were prepared by Rochelle Caton. This meeting was also recorded.

Anyone who desires to listen to the recording may visit the city's website or contact the City Clerk.