



Agenda
City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, January 6, 2026
Richland City Hall ~ Council Chambers
625 Swift Boulevard

City Council Regular Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

Welcome and Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda (Approved by Motion)

Presentations

1. Swearing-In of Councilmembers:
Pat Holten, Position No. 3 (Elected) 4-Year Term
Kurt Maier, Position No. 6 (Re-Elected) 4-Year Term
Ryan Whitten, Position No. 7 (Re-Elected) 2-Year Term
- Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk
2. Selection of Mayor for 2026-2027
- City Council
3. Selection of Mayor Pro Tem for 2026-2027
- City Council
4. New Hires & Retirements
- Lacey Paulsen, Human Resources Director

Public Hearing: Please limit public hearing comments to 3 minutes. Comments must speak only to the item for which the hearing is convened. Records intended for Council consideration must be given to the City Clerk for distribution.

5. Proposed Amendments to Richland Municipal Code Title 23: Zoning Regulations related to Minimum Parking Requirements, Ordinance No. 2026-01

Public Comments: Please limit public comments to 2 minutes. The public comment period is not an opportunity for dialogue with councilmembers, or for posing questions with the expectation of an immediate answer. Many questions require an opportunity for information-gathering and deliberation. For this reason, Council will accept comments, but will not directly respond to comments, questions or concerns during public comment. Records intended for Council consideration must be given to the City Clerk for distribution.

Consent Calendar: Items on the Consent Calendar have been distributed to the City Council in advance for reading and study, are considered to be routine, and will be enacted by one motion of the Council with no discussion. Councilmembers may transfer individual items to Items of Business for deliberation before voting.

Minutes

6. Approval of the December 16, 2025 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
- Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk

Ordinances - First Reading:

None.

Ordinances - Second Reading & Passage

7. Ordinance No. 2025-40, Approving the 2029 Council Compensation Plan
 - Lacey Paulsen, Human Resources Director
8. Ordinance No. 2025-41, Rezoning Approximately 29 Acres located at Parcel No. I-2098-100-0002-004 from Suburban Agriculture (SAG) to Low Density Residential (R-I-10)
 - Mike Stevens, Planning Manager
9. Ordinance No. 2025-42, Rezoning Approximately 58.39 Acres located at Parcel Nos. I-3498-201-0595-005, I-3498-200-0005-007, and I-3498-200-0008-000 from Agriculture (AG) to Medium-Density Residential - Small Lot (R-2S) and Retail Business (C-2)
 - Mike Stevens, Planning Manager

Resolutions - Adoption

10. Resolution No. 2026-01, Authorizing an Option Agreement with Pahlisch Homes, Inc. for 90.53 Acres of Real Property located at 2851 Twin Bridges Road
 - Mike Rizzitiello, Development Services Director
11. Resolution No. 2026-02, Authorizing a Lease Agreement with Gee-Way Development Company, L.L.C. for Commercial Office Space to support Richland Fire & Emergency Services
 - Chris Waite, Parks & Public Facilities Director
12. Resolution No. 2026-03, Authorizing Application and Acceptance for a Washington State Home Electrification and Appliance Rebates Program Grant
 - Clint Whitney, Energy Services Director
13. Resolution No. 2026-04, Authorizing Application and Acceptance of Professional Development Grants from the Washington State Library
 - Christopher Nulph, Library Manager
14. Resolution No. 2026-05, Authorizing a Five-Year Cooperative Service Agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture for Wildlife Damage Management at the Horn Rapids Landfill
 - Carlo D'Alessandro, Public Works Director

Items - Approval

None.

Expenditures - Approval

None.

Items of Business

15. Ordinance No. 2026-01, Amending Richland Municipal Code Title 23: Zoning Regulations related to Minimum Parking Requirements
 - Mike Rizzitiello, Development Services Director

Reports and Comments

1. City Manager
2. City Council
3. Mayor

Executive Session

16. Executive Session Per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i): Discuss Current or Potential Litigation with Legal Counsel (45 minutes)
 - City Council

Adjournment

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