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>> Mayor Knudson: Good evening. Welcome to the February 9, 2026 city council meeting. Anyone who wants to access the meeting online, can do so through our website. Tonight's meeting will include a public comment period. If you wish to speak and have not already done so, please fill out a request to speak form on our public web cast and meetings materials web page or at the entrance to this room. We'll accept request to speak forms until 7:35 p.m. These forms will be used to generate the random order of speakers and correctly enter speakers names into the public record. The public comment period will be limited to 90 minutes or conclude by 10:00 p.m., whichever comes first. For those joining the meeting remotely, you are welcome to email your comments to council, and that is true to those giving comment in person. Council's meeting rules of conduct apply to attendees in the chamber and the lobby. They include no flags, signs, loud or disruptive language, noise or conduct that obstructs the business of the council. Please keep the room quiet and respectful for all speakers with only one person speaking at the time. And you're welcome to waive your hands in silent support. We encourage all those who are ill or have had close contact with those who are ill, to join our meeting remotely. We have masks available in the lobby if you need one. An AED is located in the back of the room. The double doors can be used as an exit. With that, I call the city council meeting to order. We begin this evening with a land acknowledgement.

>> Since time immemorial, the Kalapuya people have been the Indigenous stewards to our region building dynamic communities, maintaining balance with wildlife, and enacting sustainable practices. A land acknowledgement is a way of resisting the erasure of Indigenous histories and to honor Native communities by inviting truth and reconciliation. Following treaties between 1851 and 1855, the Kalapuya people were dispossessed of their Indigenous homeland by the United States government and forcibly removed to the coast reservation in western

Oregon. As we consider the impacts of colonization, we also acknowledge the strength and resiliency of displaced Indigenous people. The city of Eugene is built within the traditional homelands known as Kalapuya Ilihi. Kalapuya descendants are citizens of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Community of Oregon and the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon. They continue to make contributions in our communities here and across the lands. We express our respect for the inherent political sovereignty of all federally recognized Tribal Nations and Indigenous people who live in the state of Oregon and across the nation. Our first item on tonight's agenda are ceremonial items, I've asked our city manager to prepare four proclamations. You can find them at the city of Eugene website. This month, we are celebrating Black history month in the city of Eugene. The second week of February was chosen as a point of commemoration, because it coincided with the birthday of President Abraham Lincoln on February 12th and Frederick Douglass on February 14th. The national theme for Black history month is a celebration of honoring Black history and how these observances have shaped culture, advanced progress and faced challenges. I invite our entire community to join me in celebrating the history and contributions of Black Americans this month and every month of the year. On February 14th, we will also observe childhood cancer awareness day. We will show support for children and adolescents diagnosed with cancer as well as support for their families and survivors. February 17th we will celebrate lunar new year, and the year of the horse. A year associated with energy, independence, success and also specifically passion and determination. Lunar new year celebration is an opportunity to learn, share, honor our rich cultural Heritage of our Asian-American community. Focused on family, good fortune and prosperity, I also wish us all health and prosperity in this year ahead, and want to direct my thanks to the partnership of the Asian-American partnership of Oregon and the lane council that support our celebration of lunar new year with last Friday's first Friday art walk in downtown Eugene. On February 21st, we will celebrate international mother language day. International language mother day was established by the general assembly, to promote the protection of all languages. And pay tribute to those who have sacrificed their own language. The state was chosen to honor the anniversary of the day, when the people of Bengali fought for recognition and the Bengal language, and lives were lost to protect that native tongue. It's estimated that 43% of the world's 6,000 languages are in danger. I hope you will celebrate and join me in learning about mother language day thank you. That ends our proclamations. Our next item is committee reports. I will open the floor. Councilor leech?

>> Councilor Leech: Thank you. Later tonight we'll be voting on a resolution, declaring a humanitarian ordinance. Right now I'm raising a second related step that we have already laid the groundwork for. Council voted to set aside, \$50,000 to our council contingency fund and directed staff to assess the needs of the community. Leading support on the ground. The work has been completed, by our office of equity and community engagement, and the director has brought us a clear recommendation to establish a grant program, administered through the human rights foundation. This would allow the funds to be given throughout the community

quickly. I think this is a strong pathway forward, the human rights foundation prioritizes equity and accountability. I trust our staff will design a straightforward process, to make sure these funds will reach where they are most needed, without unnecessary delays. I have a motion to make, and that is to move to direct the city manager to establish a human rights commission, grant program for local nonprofit agencies. Providing direct services to be funded with \$50,000 with our council contingency.

>> Second.

>> Mayor Knudson: Any discussion from council? Councilor Keating?

>> Councilor Keating: Thank you. I'll be an enthusiastic yes, Councilor, thank you.

>> Mayor Knudson: Councillor Clark?

>> Councilor Clark: Thank you, I will probably be a no vote on this, I wanted to explain why. It's not that I think these funds spent would be wasteful in anyway, it would help people with real human needs. There are quite a lot of folks could be so described in our community that we don't have the money to help, and that we're not helping. And there are quite a lot of things that need to be done in a difficult budget year, where we know we may face some shortfalls and have to cut things. So it's money that I don't believe we can afford to spend in this way. But thank you for the motion.

>> Mayor Knudson: Any other discussion from council? Seeing none, I will take a vote for this motion. Please lock in your votes in the tablets in front of you. Councilor Evans, are you vote something I can't hear you right now.

>> Councilor Evans: Mayor, my hand is raised, yes.

>> Mayor Knudson: We have seven in favor, two opposed. The motion passes. Returning to committee reports and item of interest. Councilor Zelenka?

>> Councilor Zelenka: Thank you. Congratulations to the Seattle Seahawks for crushing the patriots in the super bowl. I thought the half time show by Bad Bunny was amazing, especially when he was making such a strong statement about unity across all the countries of the Americas. I really appreciate what he ended up doing there. On Thursday, the 12th, this coming Thursday, best, better Eugene, Springfield is holding a workshop on bike and pedestrian safety in the wake of several bike deaths on Patterson and other streets. So that will be from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday the 12th at Roosevelt middle school. If you're interested in learning more or discussing that topic, please go to that workshop.

>> Mayor Knudson: Councilor Keating?

>> Councilor Keating: Thank you, Mayor. Similarly, I have a super bowl mention and traffic safety mention. Get out of my head, Councilor. There's an historic moment at the super bowl on Sunday, as former Eugene symphony music director and recent guest conductor Giancarlo Guerreiro brought the power of orchestral music to the world's biggest stage on Sunday. He was a participant in the half time show alongside Bad Bunny, conducting a string ensemble. This six-time grammy award winning conductor stood alongside one of the world's biggest musical icons, it's a proud moment for Eugene to have Giancarlo Guerreiro alongside Bad Bunny at what was the most inspiring and most viewed half time show I have seen. The game may have been lackluster, but Bad Bunny won the day. We lost another life in our community, related to excessive speeding in dangerous corridors. Most recently, UO grad school student Eric Nu of Kenya was tragically struck by a vehicle as he rode his bike on Patterson street in January, the 24th. [Inaudible] EPD is still investigating the crash that killed Eric. But we all know the corridor is connecting our downtown, in particular, Hilliard and Patterson, between 18th and 24th are dangerous. They're dangerous to walk. They're dangerous to ride your bike. And we all have witnessed folks speeding excessively down said corridors. I share our communities outrage and sorrow. And I long, like you do, for actionable next steps. Those actionable next steps willing discussed as Councilor Zelenka alluded to, this Thursday February 12th. I'll be participating in the transportation safety forum along with Mayor Knudson at Roosevelt middle school, I hope you will join us and have your voice heard. Thank you, Mayor.

>> Mayor Knudson: I will offer a couple of items of interest to council, one is - as many of you have seen, we held a press conference here just over a week ago, with governor co tech, a congresswoman from this area, several statewide elected leaders, the chair of our Lane County commission, to speak directly to our circumstances in Eugene, in light of federal actions and actions of federal agents in our community. And the priority that we as a community place on safety and the preservations of people's rights and the rule of law in this community. I'll also offer that I was able to speak with the governor about that event about the importance of solidarity in this work. This is a continued theme in my work, locally, regionally, and nationally with my mayoral colleagues. And about two days later, 2.5 days later, myself, 30 other Mayors issued a letter to Kristi Noem and others to halt ICE incidents. Those involved are held accountable to the fullest extent of the law. This has been widely covered within the media, it's important to reiterate here. We're taking action in these unprecedented times. It's an incredibly challenging landscape to navigate, but we'll continue to do that work and work for the safety of our community. Also, briefly offer that last Friday I had -- the end of last week, I had the opportunity to travel to Coquille for the tribal fund. They awarded \$28,000 to local nonprofits across the area. These grants are in seven areas of focus, including health, education, arts and culture and historic preservation. I sit on that tribal fund board as an appointed member. It was truly a privilege to spend that time with our members, and with the tribal council and leadership for that organization, it's incredible work happening at the grassroots across our communities. I'm proud to

be a part of it. Last week, as you may well know, the short session of our legislature is underway, it will be fast and furious through this month. I gave testimony and spoke in support of house bill 08, that relate specifically to housing production and our support for it in our community. Thank you. With that, we've concluded our committee reports and items of interest. That concludes our second agenda item this evening. The third item on tonight's agenda, I will now turn to the city manager to introduce, which is consent calendar 1, approval of overseas travel request, city manager employment agreement. Approval of city council minutes and city council tentative agenda.

>> Mayor, I think you said it all. It's ready for a motion.

>> Mayor Knudson: Thank you, city manager Rodrigues. If there are no questions from the council, Councilor Zelenka?

>> I'd like to pull item B.

>> Mayor Knudson: Thank you.

>> Typically so you know, the entire consent agenda is put on the table and seconded, then you vote on the consent agenda minus the item that is pulled, and then you'll discuss and vote on the remaining item.

>> Mayor Knudson: Thank you, city attorney. With that in mind, a motion from the council President?

>> President Leech: Move to approve.

>> Mayor Knudson: I'm sorry, another into the cue.

>> Yes.

>> Mayor Knudson: Councilor Groves.

>> Councilor Groves: I would like to pull item A.

>> Mayor Knudson: We now have items A and B pulled for discussion.

>> An alternative way of doing this, move to adopt C and D, approve that, and separately you'll move to adopt A & B, that's another way of doing it, and that's just fine too. Right now, you just need to make a motion for C and D.

>> Move to approve consent calendar items C and D.

>> Second.

>> Mayor Knudson: Any further discussion from council? Seeing none, I will take a vote for this motion. Councilors please lock in your votes. Councilor Evans, I see you voting in the affirmative. And the motion passes 8-0. We're turning to those two calendar items, Councilor Zelenka will begin with your request to discuss item B.

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>> Councilor Zelenka: Yeah, I don't have any problems with the contract terms, this is an item of significant magnitude and shouldn't be included in the consent calendar, it should be celebrated. Jenny Haruyama will be our new city manager, welcome, Jenny, and I know you'll make a great city council.

>> Move to approve item B on consent calendar one.

>> Second.

>> Mayor Knudson: Any further discussion? We'll take a vote. Please lock in your votes. Councilor Evans, I see you voting in the affirmative. The motion passes 8-0. Councilor Groves?

>> Councilor Groves: This is regarding the approval of overseas travel request. I don't know that I can support this, I know it's not a great amount of money, but given everything we have going on right now, and not enough funds to do all the work we need to do, I think this sends the wrong message at this time. I'll be voting no on this. Thank you.

>> Mayor Knudson: Councilor Clark.

>> Councilor Clark: Thank you, Mayor, I will join Councilor Groves in voting no. For the same reasons. I don't know if that expenditure particularly is the right thing for the city to do. Under the current circumstances of our budget difficulty. And just like the last thing I voted no on. For a similar reason, I need to be consistent about it, we need to be wise about how we're spending our money. If we're going to end up with a shortfall, we're going to have to cut regular city services. I'm not as comfortable with this.

>> Mayor Knudson: Councilor Keating?

>> Councilor Keating: Thank you, Mayor. We have sister cities in Japan. I believe this is a sister city opportunity.

>> Mayor Knudson: This is regarding sister city in Katmandhu, Nepal.

>> Councilor Keating: We no longer have a sister city with Russia. This council took appropriate action when Ukraine was invaded. I've made the argument

that we should have more sister city relationships across the globe, every continent. I applaud the Mayor for fostering these relationships and encourage not just this trip to Nepal, but other annual trips to share our -- at this time of strife and global unrest, to share a vision of hope and unity and friendship, and exchange of culture and ideas that can benefit not just our friends in Nepal, but also back here at home. I look forward to hearing your report, Mayor upon your return. I would encourage colleagues to support the travel request.

>> Mayor Knudson: Councilor leech?

>> Councilor Leech: Thank you, Mayor. We're talking about \$1,000, which is not the full cost of this trip. Our Mayor has offered to go and do this good will trip to extend our Eugene values into the world. I think it's really important we do that right now. And this is a formality, as Councilors, as -- we have funds available to do outreach, to go out into our community. To sit at tables and fundraisers to go to conferences, and we do that work to make us better as elected officials, to form connections across our country, across our world and community. And this is really incredibly important work. And we normally don't have to go through an approval process for each of these items, because this is above the threshold slightly, we are voting to approve this. I would like to see us come together and look at what our goals are for outreach as a whole body. But for right now, I'm very happy to support this request

>> Mayor Knudson: Councilor Zelenka?

>> Councilor Zelenka: The origins of the sit city program years ago, was one of peace and understanding through international relations, and one on one person to person contact across the globe. This is a modest amount of money, but I think work it. Especially in a time of Trump's America first policy that's pulling back our relations across the globe, and making us -- those international relations harder than they should be, and I think in that context, this is that much more important

>> Mayor Knudson: Councilor Kashinsky?

>> Vice President Kashinsky: Yes, I had a couple quick questions. Looking at the memo that came with this, it looks like this is basically a split cost, where our partners in Nepal are paying for most of the lodging and the local travel, and I'm assuming food and things like that, so we're kind of -- it's a partnership trip to help build partnership. And I don't see staff in the room who probably have the answer to this question, but I'm going to put it out there anyway. If I am remembering correctly, our sister city's program, gets a very small budget in the scheme of things. There have been a number of years where that budget has not been fully expended, and so this is within the budget of our sister city's program, I'm assuming.

>> I'm happy to answer that question, chief of staff. Our sister cities program, the funds allocated for those are now grants, issued to each of those city programs.

They are responsible for developing their own work plans and spending plans for that, separately, the city holds a small sum of money for when delegations come to visit and we host here. Beyond that, we don't have a program for the sister city budget.

>> The point being, these are funds we have in the budget already. It's not like we're asking for additional money that's not already in the budget.

>> The request that is in the packet would come from the council contingency travel fund that is already budgeted.

>> Thank you.

>> Mayor Knudson: Thank you, council, and for those who are also here, and maybe have not have background as to what we're discussing as a part of this consent item. The reason this is on the council's consent calendar, being there's a fund for travel. There is a notation that international travel be lifted up in front of this body. In that spirit, I want to share with you, how this opportunity has come to us. That is through 50 years of partnership, in our local community and in the community of Katmandhu Nepal. Last year, we celebrated the 50th anniversary of the relationship. And for decades, volunteers within our communities, locally and in Nepal, have worked to strengthen this relationship. This request that I renew the exchange of people from Eugene to Nepal, specifically I share with you all, my goal, to ignite youth from the communities. Came from peace and education in our community. And was supported by the insight of our sister city's negotiation. The Eugene Katmandhu association, which does a lot of work community to community with Eugene and Nepal. Over this last several years, we have not had a delegation or an elected official exchange between our communities. And for those following along with Nepal's politics, or Katmandhu, there's been a lot going on in that city or country, with the Mayor who has departed his post, now running for the Prime Minister of Nepal. There's a lot of public works projects, a lot of emphasis on sustainable development, and recovering from several earthquakes. This travel will involve some pretty extraordinary effort too get there and get back to be a part of this exchange, but we have a window of opportunity to do that, and I think that it is an important time for us to renew this connection. That's why the request for the air fair portion of this delegation trip has been brought to council. And the associated funding that will be receipts and all those kind of things that will be a typical process. Wanted for you all to know at home, that a visit to India and Nepal as a part of continuing to connect our community to these other places that we have had strong connections over several decades I think is important work that our community does, that also demonstrates our values in many different ways, and I'm happy to be a part of that work, and play a part in it, as I'm able.

>> Move to approve item A on consent calendar one.

>> Second.

>> Mayor Knudson: Any further discussion from council? Seeing none, I will now take a vote for this motion. Council, please lock in your votes on the tablets in front of you. I believe six votes in the affirmative, and two against. That passes. Thank you, council. That concludes agenda item 3. Thank you. We'll now turn to our city manager, to introduce our fourth agenda this evening withdrawals from special districts are reviewed with state law and Eugene law. Council held a public hearing on January 20th, tonight we'll be considering whether to approve the withdrawals or deny the proposed withdrawals by ordinance

>> Mayor Knudson: Thank you, if there are no questions from council. I will turn to the council President to put a motion forward

>> President Leech: I move to put a motion forward to approve the withdrawal of annexed properties including junction city water control district, lane fire authority, river road park & recreation district, river road water and fire protection district, Santa Clara rural fire protection district, Santa Clara water district, Willakenzi rural fire protection district, and Zumwalt Rural Fire Protection District.

>> Mayor Knudson: Council, please lock in your votes. This passes 8-0. We will move on to item 5, this is an action, a resolution calling a city election on may 19, 2026 for the purpose of referring the legal electors of the city of Eugene a measure authorizing a five-year local option levee for the funding of library operations.

>> It is about \$54 per year for the average household. There are three motions you will consider as part of this.

>> Mayor Knudson: Thank you, if there are no questions. I will turn to the council President to put the first of three motions forward.

>> President Leech: Move to adopt a resolution calling a city of election on may 19, 2026, for the purpose of referring to the legal electors of the city of Eugene a measure authorizing a five-year local option levee for the funding of library operations as set forth in attachment A to this AIS.

>> Mayor Knudson: Any discussion? Councilors, please lock in your vote. The motion passes 8-0.

>> President Leech: Do I have volunteers to be on the committee? I will select myself and vice president Kashinsky. I move to appoint the Mayor, myself and Kashinsky to be the voters pamphlet proponent committee for the library local option Levy.

>> Mayor Knudson: Please record your votes. The motion passes 8-0.

>> President Leech: Move to authorize the city manager to prepare and send a neutral information mailer concerning the library local option Levy.

>> Vice President Kashinsky: Second.

>> Mayor Knudson: Any discussion? Councilors, please lock in your votes.

>> Mayor Knudson: The motion passes 8-0. Thank you. And thank you to our Councilors, working on the voter's pamphlet proponent committee. Our next item is a resolution declaring a humanitarian crisis resulting from federal immigration actions.

>> President Leech: I move to adopt a resolution declaring a humanitarian crisis resulting from federal immigration actions as set forth in attachment A to this AIS.

>> Vice President Kashinsky: Second.

>> Mayor Knudson: Discussion from council? Councilor Kashinsky.

>> Vice President Kashinsky: Yes, I wanted to say, what we're seeing from the Federal Government right now, is not law enforcement, it's not immigration enforcement. They're not just targeting criminals, they're going after members of our community who have done all the right things, who have filled out all the right paperwork. Who have come here to try to find a better life. They're pulling citizens of our country, people with legal work permits out of their cars across the country and arresting them and detaining them. They are creating fear in our community, and I believe this is an intentional strategy to create fear in our community, because they don't value the contributions of immigrants into our community. Immigrants are an amazing critical part of what America is, and who we are as a country. Not everybody, but almost everybody has an immigrant somewhere in their family, if you're in America today. It may be yourself, your grandfather, great grandfather, 15th great grandmother, but there's someone there who came here, and we need to not be attempting to deny the next generation of people an opportunity to experience and be part of our community. So I wanted to thank Councilor leech for bringing this motion forward. I want to thank all the members of our community who are working so hard to help make sure that our neighbors are safe and feel supported in this difficult time. Thank you.

>> Mayor Knudson: Councilor leech?

>> President Leech: Thank you, I know this has been a hard process, we've been work on this since the fall. Thank you everyone, including rapid response Lane County team members that I met with for help in drafting this resolution. I urge my colleagues to support this motion. The community is really experiencing harm right now, and it's within our role as the city to do what we can and to respond. This

resolution declares that the impacts of the federal immigration enforcement constitute a humanitarian crisis for all of our residents for the city of Eugene. It affirms our core values to support human dignity, and access to essential services. It states that all residents should feel safe calling 911, going to school. Seeking medical care, and participating in civic life without fear. And it strengthens coordination, language access, communications, and partnerships, so families are not left alone. Cities across the country are taking similar steps in this moment, not to escalate the conflict but to stabilize our community. To ensure the continuity of services that we're unique in our ability to provide. This resolution is about who we are as a city, how we responsibly protect our municipal interests. I'm asking for support on this, and I want to say it's not my intent to pass this resolution and feel like our work on it is done. This resolution commits to actions that we can take right now, and I commit to continuing to investigate ways that we can be impactful, given more recent events. Thank you to all of you who are here, and thank you to the people who have submitted testimony, stood up and called out the actions that are not right.

>> Mayor Knudson: Councilor Zelenka?

>> Councilor Zelenka: Thank you Councilor Leech for saying that and putting this forward. As a first generation of immigrants, I agree with what you said and Councilor Kashinsky said. The policies of the Trump administration are so rooted in racism. We need to speak up. This resolution does that, it's a statement. It's in good company of 12 similar previous resolutions, all of which I supported, and a couple of ordinances, so I think this is wholly in keeping with where we've been and where we should continue to go as the city council.

>> Mayor Knudson: Councilor Clark?

>> Councilor Clark: Thank you, Mayor, it's my intent to vote in favor of this. I want to speak to this as to why. Councilor Zelenka and I may not share the same flavor of opinion about all political matters, there's quite a lot of people in our community who do think through the world the way I do. I want them to hear me say why I'm going to vote in favor of this? Maybe it can be persuasive to them. I think that the first section of this resolution declaring a humanitarian crisis is an unfortunate overstatement. That part I don't agree with. There's a real tragedy and a lot of bad things going on, and unfortunate things that have happened. I don't know that I -- it's kind of hyperbole to call it a humanitarian crisis in my opinion. That's the only part of this I don't agree with. The rest of it, the other ten sections talk about a commitment that we will make to the information we share with people, and the information that we'll seek for ourselves. Now, many years ago, Councilor Betty Taylor and I had an argument about what the purpose of government was at the table, and she tried to make the point at the time that she thought the purpose of government was to do together those things which we could not do individually. And I said, nope, I said, the declaration of independence is really clear, the purpose of government here in America is to protect people's individual civil rights. And the rest

of this resolution talks about the things that we'll do to share information with others, and to fight if need be with our city's attorney and to do things in the information we'll share with each other about how to stay informed, in order to defend people's rights. And civil rights. And I think that's the purpose of government. So I'm entirely in favor of us doing that job, and doing it well. So I'll vote in favor. Thank you.

>> Mayor Knudson: Councilor Groves?

>> Councilor Groves: Thank you Mayor, and thank you for preparing this resolution. I don't like it when people feel fearful. I don't like it when people are feeling intimidated. That's clearly happening now. I plan to vote in support of this. I just have a simple request, President, council President, if we could take a simple -- take a few minutes and have you read it into the record before we vote on it. Thank you.

>> Mayor Knudson: I'm certainly willing to have the council President read the resolution in its entirety into the record.

>> President Leech: A resolution declaring a humanitarian crisis resulting from federal immigration actions, affirming the city of Eugene's commitment to human rights, due process, and access to essential services, encouraging coordination, communication and partnership mechanisms and authorizing the city attorney to participate in briefs in matters involving significant constitutional issues relating to self-governance powers. The city council of the city of Eugene finds that the city council of the city of Eugene has a longstanding commitment to human rights, equity, inclusion and dignity and safety of all people, regardless of national origin or immigration status. This longstanding commitment has been demonstrated through the adoption of numerous resolutions and ordinances, including human rights municipal code provisions, which made it unlawful to discriminate based on gender. Resolution 5001 supported the passage of relief for those under the dream act. Denouncing hate intolerance activities in the city of Eugene. Adopted in 2012, support for immigrants. Declaring the urgency of the housing and homelessness crisis. Resolution 5148 adopted in 2016, declaring the second Monday of October as Indigenous people's day. Resolution 5154, adopted in 2016, declares the city's commitment in protecting refugees. 5174, declaring the city of Eugene's commitment to being a welcoming, inclusive and safe community for everyone. Council ordinance 20579 adopted in 2017 concerning protections for individuals and adding sections 2.495 and 2.497 to the Eugene code. Resolution 5190, declares the city of Eugene against anti-semitism. Resolution 5298 adopted in 2020 opposes all forms of anti-Asian sentiment. Resolutions No's 5274 and 5317 adopted in 2019 and 2021 condemns white nationalism. Eugene is home to immigrant and mixed status families who contribute significantly to the social, cultural and economic vitality of the community, and whose stability and well being are essential to the overall health and resilience of the city. Federal immigration enforcement actions conducted by federal immigration enforcement agencies including U.S. immigration and customs enforcement, have resulted in widespread fear, trauma, family

separation, loss of income, housing instability and disruption of education for residents of Eugene, and communities across the nation. Reports of detention or deportation actions that raise due process concerns, including lack of meaningful access to legal protections, presents serious humanitarian and constitutional issues, particularly for children, elderly, and other vulnerable dependents. The sudden detention or removal of a family member, often creates immediate humanitarian emergencies, including unmet basic needs, loss of transportation, risk of eviction, and long term emotional harm to families and communities. The city of Eugene has previously recognized that humanitarian crisis, whether local, national or international require moral clarity, public leadership, and coordinated action to mitigate harm to affected residents. The city council affirms that all residents should feel safe accessing emergency services, reporting crimes, attending school, going to work and participating in civic life without fear, regardless of national origin or immigration status. Both Oregon law and Eugene city code limit the use of state and local resources for federal civil immigration enforcement, reflecting the principal, that public safety and community trust are best served when local governments prioritize enforcement of local and state law. Uncertainty regarding the city of Eugene's eligibility for federal funding, including the potential conditioning reduction or withdrawal of funds based on conflicts between federal actions and Oregon law. Undermines long term planning and threatens the city's ability to deliver housing, public health, transportation, safety, and humanitarian programs. Many city supported programs that serve our community's vulnerable populations, rely in part on federal funding, and that can disproportionately harm our most vulnerable residents. The city council recognizes that responding to humanitarian harm, protecting community trust, ensuring continuity of essential municipal services, and safeguarding municipal interests are legitimate functions of government. Now, therefore, be it resolved by the city council of the city of Eugene as follows. Section 1, the city council declares that the impacts of recent and on going immigration actions constitute a humanitarian crisis. Section 2, the city council affirms its commitment to human rights, due process, family unity and human dignity and condemns acts that result in deportation without access to meaningful legal protections. The city council affirms the importance of the civic engagement and protection of first amendment rights. Section 4, the city council directs the city manager to evaluate and propose strengthening coordination on refugee issues, including opportunities for elected officials, local impacts and trauma informed governance. Section 5, the city council supports expanded language access, including interpretation, translation of materials, and bilingual staffing. The city council encourages the city manager to promote a centralized multilingual web page, to help residents navigate available supports. Developing clear multilingual guidance to help families recover vehicles and avoid cascading financial harm resulting from sudden enforcement actions. The city council reaffirms its commitment to protecting residents from harassment, intimidation and violence. Including individuals impacted by immigration, enforcement or exercising first amendment rights. The city council reports safe trauma informed options for witnesses that do not create harm. Section 8, the city council supports the use of contracts, grants, memoranda of understanding and access to city facilities, to

strengthen partnerships with immigrant led and community bases organizations, providing navigation, outreach and humanitarian support. Section 9, the city council authorizes the city attorney, to represent the city in filing or joining AMICUS briefs, particularly where such issues have the potential to create significant fiscal burdens, regulatory uncertainty or otherwise likely to erode principles of government. The city manager shall provide updates to the city council, including coordination efforts, partnerships, communications, improvements and next steps. Section 11, nothing in this resolution shall be construed to require the city or its employees to violate federal or state law. This resolution shall be implemented consistent with legal requirements. This resolution is effective immediately upon its passage by city council. The foregoing resolution will be adopted today, February 2026.

>> Thank you, council President.

>> Mayor Knudson: Thank you. Councilor Yeh.

>> Councilor Yeh: Thank you. And thank you for asking for it to be read. Words have impact and they matter. You know, what I value so much about being a part of city government, is how close we are to the people we serve, and how we see the challenges that we face and how we're able to respond quickly and efficiently in ways that other levels of government can take more time than it does at a local level. That's why I supported the -- allocating the grant funds, and that's why I'll support this resolution as well. I want to thank everyone who was involved in creating this resolution, I know there were a lot more people sitting up here, than went into creating what we're going to vote on for today. I look forward to revisiting today's actions, to make sure we continue to do what is necessary, and having the impacts that we intended or if more action is needed in the future.

>> Mayor Knudson: Councilor Keating?

>> Councilor Keating: Thank you, Mayor. And like Councilor Yeh articulated. I thank Councilor Groves for asking the resolution be read into the record. Thank you for reading it. The actions of the Federal Government across the United States most recently, most painfully seen in Minnesota clearly are a humanitarian crisis. Here in Oregon a humanitarian crisis as families are broke up, residents kidnapped, families, children traumatized in South Eugene, a family operating a tamale cart on 34th and Donald, snatched by masked marauders, leaving behind a tamale cart, empty lawn chairs even an umbrella. To our immigrant community. Our words are not enough. This resolution, however, is a small but powerfully important step in helping right the wrongs of an overreaching, dangerously autocratic and authoritarian executive. But next steps are needed. Beyond just condemning ICE and encouraging Congress to hold the federal administration accountable. 12 points articulated in this resolution are sound. And I applaud council President for sounding the alarm. But beyond the resolution, we must mobilize. Protest peacefully as articulated in this resolution and reaffirmed a shared commitment to welcome and advance amnesty for our friends and immigrant neighbors. I applaud the resolution

in front of us. And sadly recognize it's not enough. Thank you council President. Thank you, council vice president, thank you, Mayor. I'll be voting in the affirmative

>> Mayor Knudson: Thank you city council, we'll take a vote on this motion. Please lock in your votes on the tablet in front of you. Councilor Evans, I see you voting in the affirmative. And the motion passes unanimously with a vote of 8-0. Thank you. That concludes our sixth agenda item this evening. Now turn to the city manager to introduce our 7th agenda item, which is a possible action on a MUPTA amendment for a station house.

>> Thank you, Mayor. Council is asked to consider an amendment to the multiproperty tax exemption for station house which was passed in 2025. The developer proposes increasing the total residential units from 124 to 130, which would result in modest changes to the exterior and building height. An independent consultant reviewed the project's updated financial institution, and could not be changed without council approval.

>> Mayor Knudson: Thank you, city manager. If there are no questions from council, I'll turn to the council President to put a motion forward.

>> President Leech: Move to approve the resolution, approving a multiple unit property tax exemption for a residential property located at 131 east 5th avenue, Eugene, Oregon, applicant Obie Companies, Inc.

>> Vice President Kashinsky: Second.

>> Mayor Knudson: Any discussion? Seeing none, I will take a vote for this motion. Councilor Evans, I see you voting in the affirmative. And I can see some of the votes on both screens, and all of them between the two. The motion passes with a vote of 8-0.

>> 7-1.

>> Mayor Knudson: So sorry, Councilor. I can't see all of the votes. The motion passes 7-1. Thank you. And that concludes our seventh agenda item. The next item on tonight's agenda is the public comment period. Public comment period is an opportunity for individuals to speak to the city council on any city related issues, except for those items that have already been heard. Staff, can you share a list and number of speakers that signed up to speak by 7:35 p.m. and announce the first speakers?

>> Thank you, Mayor. Before I jump into the rest of my spiel, we will need to end public comment by 9:57 so we can accommodate consent agenda 2 and complete our time by 10:00. When you are announced as the next speaker, please move to the front row. When it is your turn you may come to the podium. Please leave any bags you have with you at your seat. If you have documents to give

council, please place them in the basket at the podium. You will have 2:30 minutes to speak. Your microphone will be muted at the 2:30 mark. The use of profanity is not permitted. Our first speakers are Steve Gilbert followed by Cameron Stringfield.

>> Good evening, I'm Steve Gilbert. I value living in a city that stands up to what is happening across this country. Next, I would like to address homelessness, and I'd like to say that facts matter. Eugene and cities across the country blame the high cost of housing as a critical fact leading to homelessness. I absolutely agree. Eugene and Lane County with over 100 service providers are following the TAC planning. Since Eugene and Lane County started this plan, homelessness in Eugene has grown faster than any city in Lane County, and nearly every city in the country. Eugene is now known for homelessness. Last may Jason Davis from Lane County health and human services, was interviewed about the point in time homeless count. A new question was added in 2025, Davis said that it dispelled the myth that homeless people move here for services. That question found that 70% of the people experiencing homelessness here were already residents of Lane County. How does just 70% dispel the myth. 30% of the recent homeless by name count is 1400 people. Fact. We do not have to rely on anecdotal evidence. The question now proves that people move here to services. Here are two examples of this cause and effect. First, Lane County's homeless services are concentrated in Eugene. So are Lane County's -- the majority of Lane County's homeless population. Second, highway 99, the highway 99 service hub has drawn in our most vulnerable homeless people directly on a highway, with devastating results. It is fact that chronically homeless people move to Eugene from other cities in Lane County around the state and from cities across the country that do not offer the services or the conditions that Eugene provides much thank you.

>> Thank you, Steve. Our next speakers are camera Stringfield, followed by Anna.

>> Good evening, Cameron Stringfield. I'm here with the party for socialism and liberalism. I'm not going to be as angry, which I'm sure you're glad to here. Last December, the people of Eugene achieved an incredible victory, as our months of showing up to these meetings, led to the take down of Flock. City Councilors understood that and put a stop to it. The conversation around ALPR technology will be coming back around, as there will be a work session at some point on ALPR technology. I'm here to say no new ALPRs, over and over, the people testified here that there is no way to make this technology safe, and they express principled opposition to this surveillance. The public is willing to trade out one mass surveillance company for another, that's what the business interests in the city want. Right now, with the oppressive and repressive measures we're seeing from the Federal Government, we do not need this technology. I'm sure others here will flesh out the specifics of why that's true and where inherent vulnerabilities of the system lie, this technology doesn't prevent crime. Rather than investing more taxpayer money, which is unpopular to people, and unsafe at a time like this, why don't we focus our resources on programs and services that are popular with the people.

Actually make us safer and prevent crime by addressing the conditions that lead people to it. We have one of the worst homelessness crisis in the United States, over 400 per 10,000 are homeless in a city of only 170,000 people, we're up there with cities like New York City, L.A. and Chicago, cities with millions of people. This is absolutely unacceptable and should be our primary concern right now. We need to focus on providing affordable and public housing for low and no income Eugenians, and we need to get Willamette crisis care back on the streets of Eugene. That's one example. If you had the power to make decisions about where your tax dollars went, what things would you fund.

>> Thank you, Cameron. For those following on the list, our third speaker Theresa let staff know they are no longer interested in speaker. Our next speaker is Anna, followed by Jane Johnson.

>> My name is Anna, my pronouns are she/her, I'm an organizer with trans alliance. I was violently arrested, in addition to the damage to my thumb, I was refused to have a female officer search me in DHS's holding cell. I pleaded with them to allow a female officer to search me. They refused, I screamed, I said stop hurting me and let a female search me. After three to five minutes of this, a female officer appeared. DHS lies, they lied to me, they lied to the public, and last Friday, they lied to all of you and EPD, when they characterized the actions at the federal building. We can expect DHS to lie and be violent and brutal. Their people are the shock troops of this fascist regime, what we should not have to expect is our local representatives and the police force that is supposed to be protecting us, to parrot those lies, to platform those lies. It is Black history month, and I want to read an excerpt from Martin Luther king's letter from the Birmingham jail, in which he responded to eight white religious leaders who condemned the demonstrations in Birmingham. Your statement, I am sorry to say, fails to express a similar concern for the conditions that brought those demonstrations. Last week after Tuesday I saw very little Inc. Pixels or words spilled about what DHS did to people like me. But after Friday, I saw reams of statements about alleged protester violence, gassing our people, brutalizing protesters, rampaging through that downtown area, snatching children. I saw none of that. I wish tonight that I could just celebrate the proposal that you all passed and that miss leech brought into being, I cannot. This proposal needs to restrain EPD from helping DHS, and please center federal brutality, not the actions of protesters.

>> Thank you, Anna. Jane Johnson, followed by Athena Aguilar.

>> Hello, I'm here tonight to tell you about how every aspect of my life is suffering right now, because of the energy, time and finances that I'm putting toward making sure Eugenians know their rights and are prepared for the violence currently being perpetrated in our communities and for what is still to come. Eugene has explicitly been named by the Trump administration, and they've made it clear that they plan to accelerate their work, myself and other Eugenians are sacrificing our own well being because the city of Eugene isn't doing the work. Why am I doing

your job? Why are we all doing your jobs? We're spending money out of our own pockets to do the work that this council is not doing, because you're limited by a budget that includes a trip to Nepal for the purpose of sharing Eugene values. I'm sure others can agree with me, when I say 2025 and 2026 so far have not gone at all how I expected them to. My 2025 was supposed to include wedding planning, family planning, career building but instead my partner and I have painfully decided that there will be no wedding, and there will be no children. And my career has and continues to suffer. We simply don't have the time, mental wellness or financial security. And a huge piece of this is simply because the institutions that are supposed to do this work of protecting the most vulnerable aren't doing it. Do you know what \$1900 could do for our most vulnerable communities right now? Do you know how many families can't go to work out of fear of being kidnapped and disappeared. And therefore, can't afford groceries? Eugenians could desperately use \$1900 for groceries, prescriptions, child care, to print know your rights materials. Our most vulnerable community members need you to take action and shield them, and Eugenians like myself need you to take action and be the support and fund the work that goes into shielding our most --

>> Thank you, Jane. Our next speakers are Athena, followed by Jay la.

>> When we were asking for a RFP this is not what we meant. We meant a service responsible by calling 911, for all of downtown and is in operation 24/7. I want to feel like there's someone I can call if I'm in a crisis. That's why I got involved in all this in the first place, back in the beginning of last year, when I was coming to get policy change at the police station.

>> Our next speakers of Jayla R. And David Sonicson. I will call Jayla R. One more time.

>> David Sonicson prospect drive, ward 3. I'm the vice chair of the citizen planning committee for the Willamette natural area of Alton Baker park. The committee unanimously passed a motion at our quarterly meeting, January 22nd after the on line newspaper lookout Eugene/Springfield reported that waste from the J.H. Baxter plant had been deposited in Lane County's landfill beneath what was later designated as Alton Baker park. And the motion states the citizen planning committee for the Willamette natural area of Alton Baker park asks the city of Eugene and Lane County to test the soil and water in and near the former island landfill and to publicly release test results. This request is made in light of publicly available information regarding the possible presence of hazardous materials in the former landfill in what is now Alton Baker park. That's the end of the motion language. It was proposed at our October 2025 meeting, amended between meetings, passed January 22nd. Lane County is the responsible party for the landfill. As per agreement when land was transferred to Eugene and to the Willamette parks and rec department in the 1990s. I hope the Eugene city council will encourage the county to establish a regime for regular testing of soil and water in and adjacent to the former landfill and publicly report results. For reference I

brought with me the east Alton Baker park plan appendix and on several pages in the back there are many references to the landfill.

>> Thank you, David. One last call for Jayla R. Our next speakers are Jeffrey Gordon followed by Stan Taylor.

>> Jeffrey Gordon, hello. Ward 7. I'm speaking today because I want the city of Eugene to prohibit network mass surveillance, any future ALPR representation, would mean the city government declaring war on the citizens, it would enable the EPD and ICE to target anyone. It's too easy with anyone with access to these databases to track individuals. A.I. enhanced surveillance can be readily used to track individuals by any person with a vendetta. The following commentary comes from an op Ed by Jay Stanley. Police used ALPR technology to pursue a man who wrote an op Ed about the police department. The same day the piece ran, police began to follow the man. They used ALPR, and quickly tied him to an unidentified person. This is protected speech, so they tried to claim public defacement, it's a particularly clear example of the abuse dynamic, that abuse surveillance systems end up following into. Target someone that the authorities dislike, but no evidence has done anything wrong. Fire up powerful surveillance technologies, that have been sold to the public to keep the public safe. Use those technologies to watch the disfavored person in the hopes of drumming up something they can be charged with. Even to the point of scraping the bottom of the barrel and going after something like glue use. Need I say more. Here's copies of the article.

>> Thank you, Jeffrey, our next speakers are Stan Taylor, followed by Joshua Caraco.

>> Stan Taylor, I'm here for indivisible, I'm from ward 1. Once again, I'm here to say no to the Amazon campaign. And I want to thank the city for putting up the FAQ's about say no to Amazon. It's given us criteria to look at that the city has fallen short on. That's specifically the Eugene city code that has requirements that have to be applied when a permit is being asked for. The last questions say, applies the first section of the city code -- city code 98670, that requires a traffic impact analysis for the warehouse when it would generate more than 100 -- or more vehicle trips than the peak hours. The city in saying that this was met said it was met because the company provided traffic engineering report that said it would not meet or not have more than those numbers of vehicles in those peak hours. The problem for the city is, the city code specifically requires them to use the institute of transportation engineers general manual, which apparently the developer didn't do. Breach of duty. Also, potential leverage for the city to go back and use the proper process. Eugene city code requires a traffic impact analysis for the warehouse if it will contribute to traffic problems in the area. This is highway 99. You've heard the Mayor talk about the traffic problems in the area. We know that vision zero, has the most serious accidents of any place in the city, and yesterday the city has not done a traffic impact analysis. If you go through the Eugene city code and look at the requirements, the city is violating its own code requirements, and promoting this

permit forward. It is inviting liability, but it also has the opportunity to go correct its mistakes.

>> Thank you, Stan. Our next speakers are Joshua car ago co followed by Robert parish.

>> Joshua car ago co, ward one. I'm here to encourage -- I'm glad people mentioned the community safety forum on Thursday, and I'd like to in particular encourage since Councilor Keating and the Mayor are going to be there, the other three Councilors in the past have expressed interest in something I'm not allowed to talk to you on that. Luckily I don't need to, because that won't be talked about that meeting. Public safety experts don't consider that a serious transportation safety issue. So I'd love for people to come to that meeting. On Thursday. As we're talking about camera technology I also don't really support broad spectrum ALPRs, but I think speed cameras are cool and different. And it's harder for transportation to get them, when it's so easy for the police to get technology, it's not really an efficient or fiscally responsible way to spend money. When speed cameras are targeted and getting people for speeding. They actually can save us money. But they're complicated because they can also overload the court system, because they are too effective at what they do. So I don't need to use all my time, there's a lot of people here tonight. I would encourage us to take community safety very seriously and broaden our spectrum from simply talking to the police every time, which is -- they're a part of our ecosystem, often times, as the adage goes, all you have is a Hammer, everything looks like a nail, thank you for your time.

>> Thank you. Our next speakers are Robert parish.

>> Ward 7, I'm here to speak as a community member with 21 years of experience about the problems with the recently released RFP. I was hoping that the RFP would be a path to resume the work I've been eager to return to. The work that your own gaps analysis identified as an unmet need. This RFP is a swing and a miss. The community, myself included, is asking for an alternative response that addresses the mid acuity calls, like welfare checks, wound care, be and basic needs that your gaps analysis identified as underserved. Peer navigators disconnected from nonemergency dispatch is no replacement for the service Eugene lost last April when white bird stopped running cahoots in Eugene. Less than 7% of the RFP's requirements have anything to do with the work of a community responder service, like the one Eugene had for 36 years. If the city needs peer navigators, that needs to be a separate process, decoupled from the efforts to return alternative response to Eugene. I ask that this RFP be amended or changed or reissued, to actually align with the service Eugene lost after more than three decades, because that's what people were actually asking for. Because such a program provides utility and care and safety to the community. Because it makes our community stronger when dispatch can offer police, fire, EMS or alternative response. And it cannot be overstated in the current moment, how valuable community care and safety is, when masked federal agents take people without warrants and attempts to enact mass

surveillance are again being pushed in our community. For all these reasons and more, please change this RFP to something better aligned with returning the community responder service the city finds itself without, after 36 years.

>> Thank you, Robert, our next speakers are Alexis Yamata followed by Ty Bruce Zimmerman.

>> Hello, I'm in ward 7, I'll be speaking for Erica Lincongo. I am a woman in the United States. I'm not here in person today because of a medical situation, I'm honored to share my words through the voice of this reader. I speak today as an Indigenous migrant educator for my students, families and all families in our community who are too often unseen and unheard. Lane County is home to Mya, mix tech and other communities, many are left out because it's only shared in English. I ask the city of Eugene, how will you protect our families from actions of ICE, and others who violate civil rights. Who protects those who are most vulnerable. We cannot support, condone or work with businesses that dehumanize migrants, like Amazon. Their systems harm our neighbors, our friends, our children. I ask the city of Eugene to be bold, share your policies, your plans, ensure language access. Protect our dignity, our lives. Our communities deserve care, protection, respect. We are here, we are real, we're counting on you. Thank you.

>> Thank you, Alexis, our next speaker is Ty Bruce Zimmerman, followed by Dr. Nadia Razza.

>> My name is Ty Bruce Zimmerman, I live in ward 6. I am here with thanks and optimism. I came primarily this evening for the work session that proceeded this meeting, focusing on the work of our technical advisory group that did extensive work looking at our city's financial future, and I'm incredibly thankful to everyone who served on that committee, everyone who supported that committee, the work was extraordinary, I've been reading through that report, it's excellent and extensive. I'm optimistic where that will lead us, where that's going to take our community. And then at the meeting tonight, we -- you passed a resolution that was just extraordinary -- resolution that was extraordinary. I'm thankful for that resolution, thankful it was read aloud, and again, that resolution also has me optimistic about our future actions. I really appreciate the statements about commitment to do more, that the resolution is not the end of things, so I'm optimistic to see what's next. What else we're going to be able to do to protect the most vulnerable members of our community. The members of our community who aren't able to be here to speak for themselves, at meetings like this. Our immigrant communities, our unhoused communities, there's so much more work to be done, and I'm eager to see what we do next. Thank you all.

>> Thank you. Our next speakers are Dr. Nadia Razza followed by John doe.

>> I'm a professor, a parent and a long time Eugene resident. My work in and outside of the classroom focuses on public safety, alternatives to incarceration and

reentry support. I'm here to express my concern and disappointment about the city's RFP for peer navigation and alternative response. I'm asking the council to revise and review this RFP to address the mid acuity response gap, clearly identified in the city's own gap analysis following the closure of cahoots. In the report shared in October, the fire chief notes that crisis response has shifted to a patchwork system that left significant needs unmet, including crisis counseling, welfare checks, nonemergency medical transport, these are not marginal calls. I think sometimes we generalize what a welfare check, it's the most essential form of safety net we could ask for. These calls were the core of cahoots work, the RFP does not meaningfully address these acuity needs at all. Who is this for? It's a swing and a miss. This RFP narrowly focuses on homeless outreach in a limited geographic area. This is not an alternative response. It's a partial one. If left unrevised, this model will further overburden police, fire, EMS and emergency rooms, this impact cannot be underscored enough. We also know, acknowledged by the EPD, that community crisis response prevents calls to EMS. That kind of prevention is harder to quantify, but its absence is felt everywhere. We also acknowledged -- at this moment, when every social safety net imaginable is eroding, why are we piloting something new, when we have a 36 year nationally recognized road map of what works. We need an RFP that includes true community crisis response. And I urge you, councilmembers and leaders to advocate for the return of these vital services, as Councilor Yeh mentioned earlier, please revise this RFP.

>> John Doe, followed by Steven Saltikoff.

>> Let's drop the polite fiction that power lives in this room, it doesn't. Real power lives in the people and it's fought and won in the streets when we collectively use harm and build solidarity to overcome elite rule. Public bodies don't grant power, best case, they respond to our power, worst case, they actively capture, control and disarm it. The people of this city are feeling the cost of elite rule. Our soil and water is being poisoned for profit. Cyclists are getting killed on our streets. Streets that are propping up fossil fuel profits. The development of a Amazon mega facility pushed down our throat. The rule of the capitalist elite. Our oppressors will not recuse themselves, they never have. History is full of examples of this. Every advance of human dignity came before ordinary people organized counter power, remove their rulers entirely. To my neighbors, I'm issuing a call to action. Not writing letters, not leaving messages with aids in distant offices, not through parties of controlled opposition. It's too late for all of that. The Federal Government is fascist, and it's consolidating its power now. No one is coming to save us, we must save ourselves. We need to organize durable networks of militant power now, we need to build solidarity now. Labor unions, student unions, and immigrant unions. We need direct action and we need it now. Let me be clear, my neighbors and comrades are sport and motivated. We know how government works too, I would remind all of us of one tool in particular, the recall of elected officials, you have put yourselves in a bad position, between the people and those who abuse them. We're not asking for change, we're demanding it, and if you refuse us, we together will do what we must

to make it inevitable. And to my neighbors, a final reminder, direct action gets the goods.

>> Our next speakers, Steven followed by Rhonda Nice.

>> Hello, I'm long time resident of Eugene, I go to work every day, I do what I can to feed my family and keep them safe. Like many people I am disturbed by the recent uptick on the part of ICE, and other masked unidentified federal forces. How can I possibly keep my family safe from such chaotic unfamiliar forces. I wanted to dispute claims of a broken window after I saw footage on this phone of the federal employees breaking their own window. What I ended up doing is going down a rabbit hole, how Oregon and Eugene works to keep immigrant neighbors. I was pleased to find out we have many progressive policies in place, to do their best to ensure safety of our communities. Case in point, this resolution that you just passed this evening. That I found out about when I got here. I'm not an expert on policy or how city legislation works, however, as a concerned citizen, I am compelled to urge you to do more and do whatever you can. Yeah, do more, and do what you can to keep groups of masked, armed, unidentified people from terrorizing our community.

>> Rhonda Nice followed by Jacob true.

>> My name is Rhonda nice, resident of ward three. I'm speaking today to highlight safety measures on Patterson, specifically between 19th and 24th street, safety is certainly the theme of this evening across all of our speakers. As many of you know, and as several of you have mentioned. And many of you I've written to about my incredible doctoral student, Eric, who was tragically hit and killed by a motorist on his bike two weeks ago. Eric was the best of us in every way. A doctoral student in special education. Developing policy work to take back to his home country of Kenya, in the hopes of improving the education system of those with disabilities. This is a section of town that has three schools, the high school, co-op, which serves children from infants to six years old, Roosevelt middle school as well as Spencerview apartments, which houses all of our UO student families. All of whom, and especially those living in Spencerview are trying to cross Patterson, without any crosswalks or traffic calming measures, except for the light down by the old YMCA. The posted speed limit is 25 miles per hour, you don't see that sign until after you cross the YMCA. In this section of 25 miles an hour, the driver that killed Eric was going 50 miles an hour. Daily, I know I, as well as all of us in this room see accidents like the one that killed Eric almost occur regularly, on these two lane one way streets. One driver stops to let a driver or pedestrians cross, someone coming up behind them, doesn't see it, goes around to avoid having to stop. Now, I am not an expert in traffic calming measures, I know you are, and I'm excited and grateful that so many of you are going to be at the safety forum. One thing I know, these tragedies can be prevented and our community members need safety.

>> Thank you, Jacob true, followed by Alexandra Bort.

>> My name is Jacob true, I'm in ward one, and I'm here to talk about safety as most other folks have as well. Specifically, community alternative response. Since white birds withdrawal at the end of the cahoots service last April, we've been without a community alternative response, over 9 months, over 270 days, you see someone in crisis and you'd like to call 911 and get a compassionate response, you can't do that in Eugene, you can do it in Springfield, but not Eugene. You all received a report from TAG today, raising revenue, increasing growth and cutting services, so easy low hanging fruit to save money here in Eugene, is to bring back alternative community response. Simply put, for moderate severity calls for service, a community alternative response like we once had with cahoots, saves loads of money with police or fire response. Just a week or so ago, the city of Eugene issued an RFP for a peer navigation alternative response. And based on the language there, we still won't be able to call 911 and get compassionate community alternative response. Who can call these peer navigators, page 13, part 5, A and C. They specify who can call those folks, fire, EPD and partners, and those partners are defined as city staff and private security. That's not being able to pick up the phone and call community response. We need confirmation that what the city wants is a service that uses the vans that have been sitting unused since last April, covers the entire city, not just a few areas. And includes trained medics that are ready and skilled to respond to mid acuity cases, such as basic medic needs, welfare checks and crisis counseling. I know the city council can't act on that directly, the RFP is put out by the city manager, so I would like to ask the city manager to modify the RFP, review and revise, so we can get community alternative response back in our community here in Eugene.

>> Thank you, Jacob. Alexandra Bort followed by Justin burns.

>> I didn't realize until earlier this evening, this was going to be a topic that ICE was going to be a topic, I came tonight in order to speak about the need to continue to distance ourselves from the use of mass surveillance systems like Flock, the risk it immediately opposes nor Eugene citizens allowing the government and law enforcement, as well as federal law enforcement, such intrusion into our individual privacies. Earlier a councilmember mentioned historic times we're living in. I intended to spend this time talking about Flock, but the motion to declare a humanitarian crisis resulting from federal immigration actions is a good start. But they're not only creating fear in our communities, but creating a space for violence and hatred as well, which will continue to flourish, unless we as individuals and a community act to end it. We are living -- earlier this evening there, was a stabbing on 7th street at the Chevron there, I know that, because I was there to administer first aid. In fact, I'm still covered in that man's blood. I -- a member of our community was stabbed to the bone. I -- viciously attacked. I'm not here to spread that man's individual trauma in a public forum, I'm here to speak to the citizens as well as the members of this council. I don't know what led someone to act in this way, I know that my mind immediately went to his ethnicity, his skin color, the tattoos he dared to put on it. I know my suspicion for the cause of this crime -- I don't have enough time.

We need to join together as individuals in rapid response and direct action networks, we need to move further to prevent this kind of thing from happening --

>> Thank you, Alexandra. Our next speakers are Justin burns followed by Rebecca McCrosky.

>> City council, Mayor, I'm Justin burns, I'm ward 1. I also was unlawfully and violently arrested last Tuesday for not breaking the law, I mean, I know our Federal Government wants to make our bill of rights and amendments void, because I used my first amendment to voice how angry I was with what the Federal Government's doing in regards to immigration, particularly DHS and ICE. Yeah, so, you know, they chased me down in particular, and slammed me on the ground. I'm 42 years old, and I'm not a criminal. I haven't broken a law as an adult, so it was pretty shocking to see the government slam me on the ground. And also, some of the other members who happen -- not to mention, you know, I am Brown, and some of the other people that were arrested were in the trans community. I highly suspect we were picked up for those reasons. You know, I want to give the city council and you, the Mayor a chance to possibly apologize, to possibly change some of the statements that were made in the lookout news and some of the other news sites, calling -- saying that we were the ones perpetrating violence, and that we were criminals, because we work in this community, we actually have jobs, and we have to deal with that, people calling us criminals, and, you know, it's not the case. I want to give you guys a chance to change what happened, obviously DHS broke that window so they could attack us. I was out after -- trying to flush people's eyes, trying to help people. Patting a couple people on the back, letting them know it was okay, you know, I don't think I'm the biggest patriot in the world, but I do believe in America and our country.

>> Thank you, Justin. Our next speakers are Rebecca, followed by Scott Lambert.

>> Rebecca, friendly neighborhood. There is no place in our community for reckless federal agencies, ICE needs to get out. What they're doing in our community has nothing to do with immigration enforcement. We need to be much more strategic and responsive to ICE intimidation and retaliation, these are your words, Mayor Knudson, and we agree. Communities all over the country are rising up and saying no to federal overreach. Colorado, New Mexico, Illinois, Boston, Seattle, D.C., here in Oregon, a judge has ruled against warrantless arrests. While ICE ramps up, we stay in the streets, singers, surgeons, legal observers, veterans, grannies, neighborhood workers. Slugs and frogs, and planet preservers. We need to know the city has our backs. It's not enough to tell us to stay away from the federal building. We won't and we can't stay away. We need concrete steps to stop this madness, and I'm cramming as many as I can into two November minutes. -- into 2.5 minutes. Halt the use of crowd control munitions, create a hotline to report swapping license plates by ICE. Protect civilians first, not property, not armed goons, civilians. As Jim --

>> Mayor Knudson: Ladies and gentlemen, please. Only the person at the podium should be making any sounds. Waiving your hands in silent support is acceptable.

>> Just one last thing, as Jim Haviland, the Mayor of Edina, Minnesota put it, in these troubled days, the nation should know Minnesota has not resisted legal immigration enforcement, it does not reject law, it rejects lawlessness clothed in authority. It does not deny the nations right to govern its borders, but it insists the governance be worthy of and differential to a free people. Thank you.

>> Thank you, Rebecca, our next speakers are Scott Lambert followed by Theresa Hackford.

>> Good evening, council. To my adviser at U of O, if you're wondering why I didn't get much research done this week, it's because I'm back here again. Maybe we should trade off sometime. So a bunch of things. I knew Eric, I ran with him, and that corridor is awful. There need to be traffic calming measures there, what happened should not have happened there. No Amazon, and thank you for taking this first small and insufficient, but in the right direction step of providing declaring a humanitarian crisis. So a lot of people have focused on ICE specifically, I want to talk about the new ALPR measures being considered. So a prominent sociologist commented on the revolutions -- or the protest movement in Iran. Why has the protest movement in Iran not succeeded in establishing a democratic government? Well, there are a couple reasons. One, it may not be as organized as it needs to be, modern states are incredibly powerful. Part of the reason why modern states are incredibly powerful and it's impossible in a place like Iran to get democratic reforms is because of its mass surveillance. We don't need to help companies build databases that track our movements and tell goons who are looking at our locations where we are. We don't need that, what we need is local governments to stand up to things like that, and gum up the works, so we don't get to the point where the FBI is knocking on your door if you've gone to a federal building protest. Please say no to ALPRs again. I -- there's no need for that technology. No one needs to know, as I've said before -- no one needs to know where I am, except for me. Thank you.

>> Thank you, Scott, Theresa Hackford, follow by Shellie divine.

>> My name is Theresa, I live in ward 6. I do not have a polished speech to present, I'm quite terrified to be here. I'm usually the quiet one in the back of the room. Things have gotten so bad lately as you know, that I can no longer sit there quiet. My children beg me to stay home, and I tell them I want. I'm putting myself out there for whatever might come my way, because I can't sit there any longer. There's too much crap going on. And so I came with the intent of speaking on two things. There's no way I can say anything better than Rebecca just did. I love all the things she said. And I would say thank you for the two actions that you have taken so far. That I just learned about. Excuse me. That I just learned about tonight. I am

optimistic as Ty mentioned earlier, and thank you for taking those actions. They are just the beginning. Please, please continue with those. My two main thoughts are to add my voice to those who are speaking out against the automated license plate readers. It was a bad idea months ago, and it's still a bad idea. Please do not revisit this. The second, of course, is to clean up -- to get rid of ICE, out of our community. One thing that has not been mentioned, that I haven't heard in the comments that were made about who started what, and who did what, and the dollar amount of damage that was one. I did not hear anything said about taxpayer dollars being spent to clean up toxic mess that they created. I didn't realize you had to scrape the topsoil afterwards. And the leaf blowers that were used afterwards to clean up the sidewalks, that just spread the toxins further. And I've heard that people two blocks away in the Holt center were having burning lungs and coughing episodes. They had nothing to do with what was going on at the federal building, and they too were paying the consequences. Please, continue the good work, and thank you for listening to us.

>> Thank you Theresa. Shellie divine, followed by Chloe Longworth.

>> Hi, last time I was at a Monday meeting, and my son was sleeping on the couch wondering if I would make it home. The next night I was getting flashed and gassed by the Federal Government. We are nonviolent protesters, it is nonviolent by design, and it is meant to be disruptive, and we will continue to be disruptive, because the point of protest is not for everyone else's comfort. The goal is collective discomfort. I want you guys to be aware, there's a direct pipeline from Amazon warehouse to DHS detention center. It's the commerce industrial complex. It's alarming. Last year, there were 107 detention centers across the country. By the end of the year, that grew to 212. So the acting director of ICE, Todd Lyons says, we need to get better at treating this like a business, like Amazon Prime but with human beings. DHS has authority under the supremacy clause of the constitution, to buy property whether the state or local government wants it or not. They're doing this in Orlando, Florida, a former Amazon warehouse, DHS bought it, they bought one in surprise, Arizona. Five cities in Texas are getting it. There's a list, they're looking in Seattle, in Indiana, near Baltimore, Merrimack, New Hampshire. There's an extensive list of cities where this is happening. It's only a private owner that refuses to sell to the Federal Government that might stop it, it's our local -- it's permitting stuff, we need to stop this because we're inviting a future potential concentration camp to be in Eugene. This is not hyperbole, this is happening. Councilman Clark, your comments tonight further illustrate your adherence to white supremacy culture, and we look forward to voting you out next election.

>> Thank you. Our next speakers are Chloe, followed by Ellie Urbansick.

>> Hi, my name is Chloe, I use she/her pronouns. I'm here to speak today because things suck, and I want to voice that I would like to see city officials doing stuff to fight the authoritarian regime that's happening and being enforced by DHS. Which is the militant arm of the government right now. There are a couple things

we've seen throughout the country that have been amazing in fighting back. Other cities throughout the country have done a phenomenal job. Both their people and some of their city officials in taking action that fight ICE and DHS directly. I want to read a couple of those things. A couple examples, in Minneapolis, in Minnesota that Mayor Frey has done. So there's a bit of a list here. Under the order, a couple orders they put out, city departments are required to identify all city owned or city controlled parking lots, parking ramps, vacant lots or garages that could be used for staging civil immigration enforcement operations. Post clear signage stating the space may not be used by any government entity. This property is owned and/or controlled by the city of Minneapolis. The city of Minneapolis does not authorize the property to be used, and it may not be used by any federal, state, local government processing location, operations base or any other similar use for civil immigration enforcement operations. Another idea is to immediately report any violation of the executive order. Design an optimal signage template for private property owners and lessors who wish to lawfully respect civil enforcement activities in nonpublic areas. There has been something that Councilor Keating said, that words are not enough, and that is true, but if we take actions against these things, it is at least a step better than words. Thank you.

>> Thank you, Chloe, our next speakers are Ellie Urbansick followed by Melissa Grayvoice.

>> Hello, I'm Ellie Urbansick, I'm from ward 3. I appreciate the work you're doing to condemn federal violence. I'm here to express immense concern of council's discussion of ALPR, also to be discussed at the next meeting. How much money did the city of Eugene spend on a two-year contract with Flock, \$340,000. It's beyond me how the city of Eugene can remotely begin to justify the investigation of similar technology. Recently a video posted by community matters, has widely circulated on YouTube. Unlike other footage we've seen, from January 30th, this shows a DHS officer shattering a window of the federal building from inside, to throw a munition at protesters. EPD then shared unverified claims from DHS, alleging the protesters breached and entered the building, employing rhetoric for the brutality shown that night. It should not shock you that Eugene residents oppose DHS, who continually lie. And if what councilmember Kashinsky says is true, that law enforcement functions in a different way, I would ask EPS to help families, not help ICE decide who they want to send to concentration camps. I know many of you are as scared as I am. I want to live in a city that's standing on the right side of history. I don't know if that's true.

>> Our next speakers are Ellie, followed by Tyler.

>> I'm a 15-year resident of Eugene. I'm here in response to the death of U.O. graduate student Eric, I'm here to say his name tonight to mark his death, because his family is not here to do it, Rhonda spoke earlier this evening as his adviser, I had the privilege of working with Eric for multiple years on Swahili language materials. I'm here to ask the council and city officials for actionable next

steps. I know there's been a traffic impact analysis requested, I know that there's going to be an event on Thursday night, and I appreciate those steps, I'm asking that this is not a slow process, that this is one that respects a needless death of a very talented young man who came from another part of the world, and unfortunately is going back in a coffin. We know that Patterson street, as Rhonda pointed out, is the YMCA, it's Roosevelt, South Eugene high school, Spencerview apartments with, children, young people crossing the street, every single day. The traffic is moving too quickly there. We really need to think about moving quickly not just letting traffic moving quickly. We need to move quickly, we need to be attentive and responsive to this death in our community. We need to not just have meetings, we need to make sure our meetings result in a tangible concrete action to slow traffic on Patterson street. Thank you.

>> Thank you, Melissa, Tyler Hickson, followed by David Egle.

>> I am Tyler Hickson, I am ward 3, I also do not like the new proposed not Flock cameras, Flock cameras. Mass surveillance is mass surveillance, I don't care who administers it, I don't think many people -- I mean, obviously, you can have worse administrators than others, but it's mass surveillance. The reason we don't like it is because it's mass surveillance. Not because it's Flock cameras specifically. I thought that was pretty clear when we floods the chamber for months and begged you, begged you to stop, stop, stop. And after maybe, I don't know how many months, several months, you didn't. And eventually due to nationwide protests, including Springfield, Eugene and Portland, eventually, you saw the writing on the wall. And the writing on the wall said, people don't like mass surveillance, they never have, and they never, ever, ever, ever, ever, ever, ever, ever will. They don't like it in China. They've got it. No one like mass surveillance, except for stalkers, they like being able to see where she took the kids.

>> Mayor Knudson: Please, everyone in the audience. One person speaking at a time.

>> Just laughter. It's okay.

>> Mayor Knudson: Actually, it's okay. Only one person speaking at a time.

>> All right.

>> Mayor Knudson: Waiving hands in silent support is okay. Please continue.

>> I do not like mass surveillance, no one I've ever talked to has liked mass surveillance. Apart from a few nazis. Yes, I've spoken to a few nazis, I get around. Nazis like mass surveillance, for obvious reasons. I feel like they're obvious. They also don't really stop crime at all I think that's been Sloan. They are used to unlawfully obtain a large amount of unconstitutionally obtained evidence. But they

do not stop crime. They never have. They just put people at odds against the government, in harm's way.

>> Thank you, Tyler. Our next speakers are David Eigel followed by Glenn O.

>> David ward 1, I was stunned to learn that although I documented that a false historical narrative was misused by Talisha Brown, the project has not been canceled, Eugene city funds and departments have been hijacked to facilitate this fraud. Last Friday at city club, miss Brown again spewed her falsehood. During the Q&A, I pointed out that Walley Griffin had been a beloved member of the Eugene community. In 1912, he said there's no place he'd rather live than Eugene. Pointing out that in the first half of the 20th century, there were many Black residents in Eugene. Her fan answer was to say, thank you, and nothing more. She knows she's lying, she's sick. I was heartened by the thank you's and handshakes I received from native Black Eugenians who were in attendance. Making false statements to attract donations is a class A misdemeanor, my original complaint filed with the city of Eugene police, was not pursued, because an officer believed it was the responsibility of the state A.G.'s office. I ask everyone to encourage the D.A.'s office to vigorously prosecute Talisha Brown. Jennifer Yeh was at the event last year. She's well known for being booted out of the Lane County history museum, because of her false presentation on history. Mayor nude son would you please comment on why you failed to act to put a stop to this.

>> Next speakers are Glenn O. Followed by Wynne Mansell.

>> Thank you. So two weeks ago I was here talking about the absurdity of the situation of EPD assisting ICE and DHS agents out of that building, while the week prior, someone was kidnapped and driven out without anybody lifting a finger. And we still have even more examples of that. So on Friday, the 30th when EPD lined up to protect the building or whatever they were doing. They were ensuring that, you know, more DHS agents could make it down here from Portland to royally mess us up. And I thought it was kind of comical that when, as soon as EPD left, as soon as more people from Portland arrived, they knew exactly what was going to happen. EPD was more than aware that chemical weapons were going to be used. We were going to get tear gassed, we were going to get flash banged. They had already done it that night. When they left, they just left. They didn't bother to block off a road, they didn't bother to do anything for the public. And that's absurd, there were so many young adults there, that probably don't know how to react in those situations. We had people crossing the street, coughing up a lung, blinded, running across 5th and 7th street with cars coming, because their windows were down. That is ridiculous. And -- that is just the worse. Where were they.

>> You couldn't even block off 5th and 6th knowing there was going to be tear gas coming our way. Two days later, somebody was hit in the back of the head with a less than lethal round. They were bleeding and had to go to the EMT. EMT's couldn't make it to them, because of the absurd amount of tear gas that was being

used from the federal agents. So other activists had to carry them to a safe place to get taken to a hospital. That is absurd. Where was EPD ensuring safe traffic for that. And yet, two days later, EPD was posted up in their S.W.A.T. team stalking a bunch of people with their drones ready to go. I see so many examples of them not doing anything.

>> Thank you, Glenn. Our next speakers are Wynne Mansell followed by --

>> -- that we can get harmed.

>> City staff, Mayor, Wynne Mansell, ward 7, once again, ALPRs, very bad, make them go away. Seriously, I would love an update on whether or not Flock has actually responded to the city's request to delete and return the city's data to it. I think that's quite important and if they haven't done it yet, I would love to see some statement of accountability of holding them to that which you very fairly asked them to do. I'm going to reiterate, I don't think the city should be entering into any sort of a contract with any ALPR provider, now or in the future. I think in the spirit of thinking ahead, the city needs to start considering what it can and will do about private surveillers. Everyone who has a ring camera, and we all know, if you have one, you should probably get rid of it, was opted into a search party product. You can opt out, life hacker has a lovely article on that. If someone uploads a picture of their pet, people who have opted in in the neighborhood, will immediately have their cameras to provide footage for that pet. Speaking as a software engineer, it is not hard, within a few minutes, knowing how committed Amazon is to continuous delivery, to change the tags that are used to search images, to switch that to pretty much anything you would want. We know that Amazon has contracts with Flock, with axon, and we also know from our experiences together in the last year that these companies make their products available to law enforcement pretty regularly, and with not necessarily informing people what they've been opted into. In that vain, I don't know if the city can ban companies from opting customers into doing things. The city could educate people on data privacy, on hosting their own equipment and so on.

>> Our next speakers are Pete Goldlass followed by William C. Parham.

>> Mayor Knudson, my name is Pete, I'm here because I'm one of those volunteer legal observers you made a point to thank when you stood with the governor recently. I've been serving as a legal observer at the federal building for the past year, tonight I'm speaking as a private citizen. If our city would like to move beyond verbal expressions of support for nonviolent activists, and take a step toward resisting the occupation of our city, here's something we could do. If we were motivated, to defend our immigrant communities, we could adopt a policy like the one Chicago's Mayor Brandon Johnson just ordered. This includes provisions that if police personnel observe or receive reports of apparent violations of state or local law by federal agents, they Shaw document federal enforcement activities, any body camera footage is preserved, seek to identify and verify the federal supervisory officer on scene. Record any refusal to comply. Immediately summon emergency

medical services and render aid to any injured person on the scene. And share age dated data with members of the public. I ask that you all thoroughly review the publicly available video of the role that EPD played on the night of Friday January 30th. Please compare and contrast this with Mayor Johnson's expectations of Chicago's police department. Please note the amount and degree of damage that was attributed to the protesters at the federal building here in Eugene, in light of everybody's intense concern over budget, Mr. Clark you'll want to be all over this one. Please ask that a full audit is forthcoming. Concerning whether this was a good use of tax dollars. Consider the amount of violence after EPD left. Until you've done that I ask that you not thank me again.

>> Our next speakers are William C. Parham followed by Francis Star O'Leary. William? Francis Star O'Leary.

>> Good evening, we're living through a democratic crisis in this country and public trust in once unshakable institutions is at an all time low. People feel unrepresented, ignored and abused. Everyone acknowledges this is a problem, everyone calls it a crisis. What is anyone doing to restore the trust in institutions, we've been in this same better for months, telling you what our values are, we care about our privacy, we will not accept the tool that will inevitably be used to target our immigrant neighbors, the messaging from the city and police force seems to be this patronizing we hear you, but we know better. The people in this room do not represent a special interest group, we come from various neighborhoods, work in different professions, we represent a far too wide swath of the city to be brushed aside as cranks. On the other hand, those who sell ALPRs are special interest groups. Your democratic responsibility is to double down on a bad decision rather than listen to the outcry coming from the people who live here. If you go to your upcoming work session to discuss ALPRs, and decide to do anything less than permanently ban their use in the city, you will not be doing the will of the people. What will that send to us about our democracy, thank you.

>> Thank you, Francis. One last call for William Parham. Our next speakers are Danny Patch, Faye Ratchford. Thank you, Faye.

>> Hello, again I'm here representing a growing number of voting citizens in ward 4 to show the council ways to shut down the proposed Amazon warehouse. There are numerous examples of other city councils and Mayors working with their citizens that have successfully stopped the construction of these warehouses, in California alone, they have banded together to require additional traffic and environmental studies, which prompted Amazon to back out of a similar development that was in Sonoma County. In Oceanside, the city council rejected the permit after a closer look and the failure of Amazon to properly obtain the needed studies for the permit. There's been several examples cited. In San Francisco, the union convinced the board of supervisors to pass legislation to impose interim zoning controls on a similar project. There's no interest in long term sustainability or solutions to improve their workers lives. Amazon's operations are parasitic to any

environment it occupies, when Amazon pulled out of the projects on their own, it was due to the requirements to pay a living wage and provide health care. Amazon pulled the plug on those projects due to lost profit projections. The state contributed money to the clear lake development for infrastructure readiness to help the city of Eugene expand its job base as well as tax revenue. At the time the city graciously accepted the \$6 million, you declared that the development of said infrastructure would help with the creation of approximately 3,000 manufacturing jobs. It makes one wonder how the state feels about the prospect of the 300 moving down to zero over 4-year period, versus the city's proclamation of 3,000 good paying jobs. Amazon has no commitment to our community mission as well as our city's climate plan. Let's be clear that Amazon presents -- presence in our community will negatively impact every structural and systemic component in our infrastructure for our environment and to our community resources. And be clear that Amazon benefits --

>> Thank you, Faye.

>> One last call for Danny Patch. Jennifer Scheidt. Our last speaker will be Jennifer Scheidt.

>> Thank you, council, and Mayor, my name is Jennifer Scheidt, I reside in ward 1. Not my primary topic, so I'm going to start from the back in reaction to what my community members and neighbors have said tonight. Regarding the federal action at the expense of my community members on a recent Tuesday, I was present for a candlelight vigil. A candlelight vigil, embarrassing what they did, hurtful, discompassionate and deeply disrespectful. I'm sure you've seen the images. I'm here tonight to speak about my concerns, the potential consideration for new or different vendors related to the installation of ALPR cameras, mass surveillance cameras. I realize I was overly optimistic at the result gained this past December when the Flock cameras were removed. I'm a rookie. I also understand EPD and/or the city has yet to fulfill the community request or perhaps commitment to transparency regarding how much and what types of data were collected during the time of their use. It feels obvious to me to state that surveillance does not prevent crime, it is at best reactionary. Council just tonight speaks to and recognizes a need to try to meet basic human needs. Council recognizes lots of things need to be done here for our community. Council speak to a need to defend and support civil rights. Mayor, you also spoke to following the rule of law. Mass surveillance does not speak to basic human needs meeting the community needs, defending and supporting civil rights. At best, surveillance is reaction airy, to say the least it is inclusive. Council also mentioned concerns about budget cuts, note having enough funds to do what we want to do. Subsequently, it seems illogical to consider spending budgetary funds and time which is also money on absolutely any potential replacement options since Flock was gone. I would love to say more, but I can't.

>> Thank you, Jennifer. Mayor, that was our final speaker.

>> Mayor Knudson: Thank you, staff, I now close the public comment period. Are there any comments from city council? Seeing none, and recognizing we have two agenda items to complete, we will move on to our last agenda item this evening, consent calendar 2, which includes approval of a resolution annexing land to the city of Eugene at 3362 Wisteria lane. And approval of resolution annexing land to the city of Eugene for a property located at 3032 Kinney loop.

>> I move to approve the items on consent calendar 2.

>> Second.

>> Mayor Knudson: Are there any questions? I will take a vote. Councilor Evans?

>> I'm voting for it, I'm having a little trouble with my technology.

>> Mayor Knudson: Thank you. Thank you for the audible confirmation. The vote passes with a vote of 8-0. Thank you, that concludes the last item. I now close the February 9, 2026 city council meeting, we are adjourned.