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EUGENE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

September 28, 2026

7:30 p.m. CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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**Meeting of September 28, 2026;
Her Honor Mayor Kaarin Knudson Presiding**

Councilors

Lyndsie Leech, President
Matt Keating
Alan Zelenka
Greg Evans

Eliza Kashinsky, Vice President
Randy Groves
Jennifer Yeh
Mike Clark

7:30 p.m. CITY COUNCIL MEETING

1. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

2. CONSENT CALENDAR 1

- A. Approval of City Council Minutes**
- B. Approval of City Council Tentative Agenda**
- C. Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Contracts to Take on Debt for a Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan**
- D. Approval of Voting Delegate for League of Oregon Cities Business Meeting**

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

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September 28, 2026 Meeting

EUGENE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Committee Reports and Items of Interest

Meeting Date: September 28, 2026
Department: Central Services
www.eugene-or.gov

Agenda Item Number: 1
Staff Contact: Rosa Roach
Phone: 541-682-8497

ISSUE STATEMENT

This portion of the agenda provides an opportunity for the Mayor, Councilors, and City Manager to raise issues, present ad hoc motions, introduce resolutions and report on committee activities and actions. The time allotted for "Items" is subject to change to accommodate emerging issues.

BACKGROUND

Per Council Operating Agreements adopted on March 9, 2026 (Resolution 5481), at regular meetings held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month, the first item on the agenda or following Ceremonial Matters and the Pledge of Allegiance, shall be "Committee Reports and Items of Interest from Mayor, City Council and City Manager."

ATTACHMENTS

None.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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EUGENE CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Approval of City Council Minutes

Meeting Date: September 28, 2026
Department: Central Services
www.eugene-or.gov

Agenda Item Number: 2A
Staff Contact: Rosa Roach
Phone: 541-628-8497

ISSUE STATEMENT

This is a routine item to approve City Council minutes.

BACKGROUND

Per City Council Operating Agreements, written minutes shall be taken for all City Council meetings in accordance with the Oregon Attorney General's Public Records and Meetings Manual. The minutes must give a true reflection of the matters discussed but need not be a full transcript, verbatim or recording.

As a matter of courtesy and efficiency a councilor should notify the Mayor and other councilors that they intend to propose an amendment to the minutes and should propose replacement text in advance of the meeting at which those minutes are scheduled to be approved. If the proposed amendment is a simple factual, grammatical, or spelling correction, the amendment may be proposed without consulting the minutes recorder. If the proposed amendment is substantive in nature or seeks to clarify the speaker's intent, the councilor should notify the minutes recorder and request verification of the proposed amendment.

SUGGESTED MOTION

Move to approve the minutes for the work sessions, meetings, and workshops on May 18, 2026, June 30, 2026, July 8, 2026, July 13, 2026 and August 24, 2026.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. May 18, 2026 Work Session
- B. June 30, 2026 Workshop
- C. July 8, 2026 Work Session
- D. July 13, 2026 Work Session
- E. July 13, 2026 Meeting
- F. August 24, 2026 Work Session

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September 28, 2026 Meeting – Item 2A

MINUTES
Eugene City Council
Work Session
Eugene, Oregon 97401

May 18, 2026
05:30 p.m.

Councilors Present: Eliza Kashinsky, Matt Keating, Alan Zelenka, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Greg Evans, Lyndsie Leech, and Randy Groves

Mayor Knudson opened the May 18, 2026, Eugene City Council Work Session in a hybrid in-person and virtual format at 500 E. 4th Avenue, North Building, Eugene, OR 97401.

1. WORK SESSION: Urban Growth Strategies Adoption Package Update

City Manager Jenny Haruyama introduced the topic and Rebecca Gershow, Principal Planner and Leah Rausch and Heather O'Donnell of Planning & Development who offered brief background information and noted the proposed amendments related to state-required planning work.

Councilor Discussion:

- Councilor Evans – asked about concerns related to increasing maximum building heights in low-density residential areas; asked about residential areas with restrictions of 30 feet height limits; noted neighbors in long-established areas fear the loss of privacy when taller structures allow views directly into their yards or homes; asked how staff determines whether a proposed building is appropriate for the character of an R1 neighborhood; stated encouraging cottage cluster housing may reduce conflicts compared to taller multi-unit buildings; noted he's had extensive conversations with neighbors who worry the proposal will not fit the existing neighborhood.
- Councilor Kashinsky – asked whether height increases in low-density residential zones would also apply in special area zones; stated she was interested in reviewing special area zones to understand fairness across neighborhoods; noted concern about applying new height rules citywide based only on whether an area happens to have a special designation; asked about Single Room Occupancy (SRO) housing, including why the definition requires units to be rented rather than owned; asked why a SRO cannot be added to a site that already has an existing dwelling, and whether that restriction comes from state law; stated she appreciated the inclusion of community education efforts and believed these would help small-scale developers navigate the process more easily.
- Councilor Groves – noted Council had previously approved University of Oregon buildings reaching 75 to 85 feet adjacent to residential neighborhoods; stated

neighborhood pushback is understandable; noted concerns about discrepancies and fairness across neighborhoods, including differences related to Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CC&Rs) developments; noted positive experiences with earlier village-style communities and their success in supporting residents transitioning from homelessness; asked how wetland-mitigation challenges are affecting proposed expansion areas where 75-100 additional micro-units are desired; noted much of the land in Eugene is designated as wetland, which increases service-delivery costs for infrastructure such as streets, utilities, and emergency-response routes; stated support for single-room occupancy housing.

- Councilor Leech – stated concern regarding the overall construction quality of recently built housing units; noted constituent reports of materials degrading quickly; asked whether future code or policy tools could strengthen expectations for build quality.
- Councilor Zelenka – stated recent Council actions allowing significantly greater building heights in the Fairmont neighborhood suggested broader implications for neighborhood stability; noted interest in understanding what enabling factors now allow micro-village units to meet building-code requirements; asked if heating and lighting are a requirement for these units.
- Councilor Keating – asked whether increased height allowances could be concentrated along transportation routes rather than within neighborhoods; stated interest in encouraging taller mixed-use housing along major transit routes to reduce impacts on residential areas.
- Councilor Yeh – stated support for evaluating special-area zone (SROs) standards to ensure they are consistent; noted appreciation for proposed expansion of day-care homes and residential treatment facilities.
- Councilor Evans – asked what mitigation strategies exist in residential zones when sight-line conflicts occur between newly built structures and existing homes; noted the importance of accounting for unique characteristics of individual neighborhoods as they evolve.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted allowing significant height increases in some areas while restricting them in others raises questions of fairness.
- Mayor Knudson – stated appreciation for the update; noted Council’s ongoing discussions around climate-related planning, economic development, and housing affordability will require sustained attention; stated that although the conversation centers on structures and land-use regulations, the underlying purpose is to support young professionals, empty-nesters, small families, renters, and prospective homeowners who need long-term housing stability and options.

2. WORK SESSION: Vision Zero Update

City Manager Jenny Haruyama introduced the topic and stated the session is a continuation of Council’s April discussion on traffic safety and recent trends in serious and fatal crashes. Logan Tellis, the Associate Transportation Planner provided brief background on Vision Zero and noted the discussion would focus on Council questions.

Councilor Discussion:

- Councilor Evans – noted longstanding concerns about inadequate lighting in neighborhoods feeding into Highway 99 and West 11th; asked what approaches exist to improve residential street lighting to enhance safety for people walking, driving, and biking.
- Councilor Groves – asked how non-motorists illegally entering travel lanes relate to failure-to-yield crash categories; stated concern that individuals entering active roadways create significant safety risks; asked how the City prioritizes infrastructure projects that separate pedestrians from vehicle traffic.
- Councilor Keating – asked how staff classify individuals positioned within medians or travel lanes and whether such behaviors align with crash-cause categories; stated interest in improved lane-visibility treatments and greater use of pavement markings to help cyclists and drivers navigate shared areas safely.
- Councilor Kashinsky – noted that recent fatal crashes involved pedestrians lawfully crossing in marked crosswalks where drivers failed to yield; asked how such incidents are represented within action-plan crash data and how the City prioritizes treatment at intersections identified as dangerous by constituents.
- Councilor Yeh – stated drug and alcohol involvement appears to be a leading factor in fatal crashes; asked whether the City is observing increases or decreases in impaired-driving-related fatalities and how enforcement and design improvements interact to reduce such incidents.
- Mayor Knudson – asked how the community might be effectively engaged in conversations about short-term traffic-safety interventions, including quick-build projects, and how such efforts could be integrated with longer-range infrastructure investments.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Rosa Roach)

Link to the webcast of this City Council meeting [here](#).

MINUTES

**Eugene City Council
Workshop
Eugene, Oregon 97401**

**June 30, 2026
1:00 p.m.**

Councilors Present: Eliza Kashinsky, Matt Keating, Alan Zelenka, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Greg Evans, Lyndsie Leech, and Randy Groves

Mayor Knudson opened the June 30, 2026, workshop of the Eugene City Council in hybrid in-person and virtual format at 500 E. 4th Avenue, North Building, Eugene, OR 97401.

1. Workshop: Long Range Financial Planning

City Manager Jenny Haruyama introduced Nancy Hetrick and Jennifer Teal of Raftelis to lead the workshop focusing on developing a service framework, budget principles and strategic plan refinement.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Groves – noted he has served as a City Councilor for five and a half years; noted he had worked for the fire department for 36 years, including service as the fire chief; stated he is optimistic about the day’s work and hopes to discuss strategies for prioritization.
- Councilor Yeh – noted she has served as a City Councilor since 2017; stated she is optimistic about the process; stated hope that the group comes to a shared understanding.
- Councilor Leech – stated she is optimistic and looking forward to approaching this process from a higher level.
- Mayor Knudson – noted she has served as Mayor for about a year and a half; noted she is hopeful and excited about the process.
- Councilor Kashinsky – noted she has served as a Councilor for about a year and half; stated she is looking forward to the process and hearing different perspectives.
- Councilor Evans – stated he is optimistic; noted he is looking forward to having a deeper conversation about long-term issues.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted he has served on the City Council for 19 and a half years; stated his disappointment that the nominated candidate for Ward 3, Jennifer Smith, was not allowed to participate in the workshop.
- Councilor Keating – noted he serves as the Council liaison to Lane Regional Air Protection Agency (LRAPA) and the Human Services Commission; stated he is optimistic about coming out of the workshop with shared commitments to community safety, housing, and other priorities; noted he has received positive feedback from the community about the fireworks ban.
- Councilor Clark – noted he has served almost 20 years as a City Councilor; stated hope that the Council finds a way to effectively move forward within their financial constraints.

- Councilor Groves – noted the Council is at its best when it is getting things done and when they have a shared understanding of the problem.
- Councilor Keating – stated the Council is at its best when they communicate and collaborate early in the process.
- Councilor Yeh – stated the Council is at its best when they are willing to disagree and be honest with each other.
- Councilor Clark – stated the Council is at its best when they are willing to work together to troubleshoot a problem while not becoming stuck on differences of opinion.
- Councilor Leech – stated the Council works best when they have a shared vision and can rely on City staff.
- Councilor Kashinsky – stated the Council works best when they focus on doing what is best for the community.
- Mayor Knudson – stated the Council works best when they are collegial and oriented towards partnership, collaboration, and problem-solving; noted the importance of working towards a shared goal.
- Councilor Keating – noted the importance of the role of oversight; stated he gravitates towards the role of customer service representative; stated he hopes one day the City will be able to afford additional City Council support staff.
- Councilor Groves – stated he feels comfortable in all the roles a City Councilor must fulfill; stated the importance of community building in the current political climate.
- Councilor Leech – stated it is not possible to fulfill every role all the time; noted the need for a more strategic and equitable approach to Council appearances in the community.
- Councilor Groves – noted the City’s executive staff spend time in all those roles.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted the similarities between balancing family, career, and Council work with the need to balance different roles as a Councilor; noted decision-making is perceived as the traditional role; stated a Councilor must work to create the best policy for the community, even if they do not like a particular program.
- Councilor Evans – stated he focuses on the customer service representative role; noted the community requires customer service from the Council.
- Councilor Keating – noted an additional role Council can take on is that of microphone, where they amplify the actions of other layers of government.
- Mayor Knudson – asked if the numbered list of budget principles represented a ranking.
- Councilor Clark – asked how to reconcile the principle of long-term perspectives with the biennial budget system; stated the Council has been short-term in their budget thinking; noted the current budget is unsustainable in the long-term.
- Councilor Kashinsky – noted one-time funds are sometimes used for pilot programs; noted when the pilot program is successful, but there are not funds available to continue the program, it can feel like a service cut; asked how to balance creative solutions to community problems with the mantra of one-time money for one-time expenses.
- Mayor Knudson – noted when a pilot created with one-time funds is successful, it may be worthwhile to evaluate it against other programs, while considering its

efficiency and effectiveness; noted the workshop will allow Council to discuss big-picture concepts like assessing effectiveness and efficiency.

- Councilor Zelenka – stated pilots are used when they are unsure about the efficacy of a program; if the pilot is successful, it may be necessary to trade-off with another program, since the budget is zero-sum.
- Councilor Kashinsky – noted discussions of pilot programs often come back through the budget process; suggested having a separate, proactive discussion of pilot programs apart from the budget process.
- Councilor Leech – stated the value of preventative work while noting the value can be difficult to measure; noted interest in a budget focus on preventative work.
- Councilor Keating – stated one-time funds are often used for emergency issues; asked if essential services in the principle one section referred to services required by statute; asked if the “strengthen and diversify revenue sources” principle would include seeking revenue-generating components in new projects.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted it can be difficult to connect the budget to strategic goals given that the City provides over 40 services and not all are attached to long-term goals.
- Councilor Yeh – noted employees are one of the City’s biggest assets; asked how employee experience is reflected in the budget principles.
- Councilor Zelenka – suggested principle number seven be revised to balancing short-term decision-making with long-term perspectives.
- Councilor Kashinsky – stated it would be useful to explore how the City’s expenditures may overlap with those of other governmental jurisdictions to avoid unnecessarily duplicating services.
- Councilor Evans – noted there are property tax restrictions at the state level limiting City revenue growth; asked how to expand our revenue base while balancing the needs of constituents.
- Councilor Keating – suggested a revision to principle number four to reframe it to the positive; noted the idea of core and essential services is subjective.
- Mayor Knudson – stated every budget conversation should begin with a shared understanding of requirements and essential services; noted the importance of connecting the budget to strategic goals; noted the financial stewardship responsibility of the Council; suggested reorganizing the budget principles to better communicate the values of the organization.
- Councilor Zelenka – clarified the service framework is a categorization tool, not a hierarchy.
- Councilor Groves – stated the framework is simple and well-defined; stated he likes the definitions of essential and core services.
- Councilor Kashinsky – noted the grouping makes sense; stated service levels and risks will be important decisions within the categories; asked if payroll would fall under essential services; asked if there would eventually be a list of services; asked what will happen to services that do not fall under core, essential, or priority aligned categories.
- Councilor Groves – asked if payroll and budget would be considered required services.

- Councilor Zelenka – noted few City services fall into the required category; asked how to deal with services, like the budget process, which fall into all four categories; noted the Police Auditor is a charter requirement.
- Councilor Clark – asked how to characterize self-imposed mandates.
- Councilor Keating – noted the importance of questioning whether a service is necessary for the city to effectively function.
- Councilor Clark – asked about services that may not be core or essential, but if removed would require a more expensive service be provided elsewhere; asked how to avoid circular arguments about services.
- Councilor Kashinsky – asked if the information about services, once sorted into categories, will include information about the risks and tradeoffs of discontinuing a service.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted while a service can be categorized, that does not determine how much is spent to provide it; noted the budget is zero sum.
- Councilor Evans – asked about strategic investments; asked how to factor the long-term impacts of investments, noting the value of preventative maintenance; noted changing technology will necessitate future equipment upgrades.
- Mayor Knudson – stated the importance of making strategic planning work transparent to the City’s partners due to the large, multijurisdictional nature of the challenges; noted the importance of situating the City’s categorization framework and budget principles to be positioned to be more responsive to evolving community needs.
- Councilor Groves – asked if there is a plan to educate the eight civilian members of the Budget Committee about the updated budget principles and service framework.
- Councilor Yeh – asked about the level of detail that will be provided in the breakdown of services; noted the categories are not hierarchical.
- Councilor Kashinsky – noted sorting the services into categories serves to guide the questions asked about the services.
- Councilor Keating – noted required services do not necessarily have fiscal amounts set by statute; stated the importance of communicating the value of an investment.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted some community members disagree about the value of different services, like the library; stated he has never seen a wholesale change of the budget in his 30 years of experience.
- Mayor Knudson – noted the framework and budget principles are designed to allow individuals with differing opinions to still come to the same or similar conclusions.
- Councilor Leech – asked if the budget on the City website will be restructured to reflect these changes.
- Councilor Keating – spoke about the value of transparency; noted the website used to have a budget simulation tool available for the public.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted environmental stewardship seems to be missing from the list.
- Councilor Keating – noted there is a difference between the library and cultural services; stated the importance of animal services.
- Councilor Kashinsky – noted the examples provided with the potential areas of interest are not a comprehensive list.

- Councilor Clark – stated interest in starting with broad categories and narrowing down from there.
- Councilor Keating – stated interest in protecting renters’ rights as a priority.
- Councilor Kashinsky – stated the listed buckets capture most of what she sees as priorities.
- Mayor Knudson – noted she is unsure about the phrase “financial sustainability”; noted the City is doing interesting and important work in the areas of housing, homelessness, and economic development; stated she would expect parks and recreation as well as climate work to be more strongly represented.
- Councilor Keating – noted the importance of ensuring workers’ rights and a living wage, supporting the local workforce; noted the importance of addressing privacy, artificial intelligence, and other data concerns.
- Councilor Groves – noted the goal today is to stay high level and avoid getting too granular; noted the importance of environmental protection.
- Councilor Yeh – asked if the public safety category should be public health and safety.
- Councilor Kashinsky – noted agreement about including the concept of health into the conversation.
- Councilor Evans – noted his disagreement about including health, because the County and not the City is the local provider for health and human services; noted the importance of improving the relationship with other agency partners.
- Councilor Leech – noted while the County may be the agency tasked with managing public health, the City is unavoidably involved in managing public health in situations like a mental health crisis where emergency services are called; noted the community is asking for robust alternative response and peer navigation services.
- Councilor Zelenka – stated public safety should be its own category; stated he is unsure about the thriving community category; noted healthy community may be a better category, including things like environmental stewardship and human services.
- Councilor Groves – noted while emergency responders do respond to health and medical calls, claiming health as a mission for the City will result in public confusion and unfunded expectations; noted the County is also the local housing authority.
- Councilor Kashinsky – stated the conversation is not just about goals and categories, but the underlying values in delivering these services; noted services sometimes cost more because of the City’s commitment to certain values, like its commitment to community engagement.
- Councilor Clark – stated the underlying problem is the Council does not have a clear, unified vision about the roles of the City; noted the City is doing more than it can afford to and is taking on the roles of other jurisdictions.
- Councilor Keating – noted agreement about keeping the public safety category broad; stated the thriving community category is the livability category; noted it could include a wellness component.
- Mayor Knudson – noted she is feeling reflective after the work today.
- Councilor Kashinsky – noted she is looking forward to tomorrow.
- Councilor Zelenka – stated this was a good start.

- Councilor Keating – noted his appreciation for the consultants and his colleagues.
- Councilor Groves – stated he is feeling apprehensive about the prioritization process.
- Councilor Clark – noted he was initially optimistic and is now feeling more concerned; stated he is looking forward to tomorrow.
- Councilor Yeh – noted she felt the day had been worthwhile; noted there had been a lot of agreement at the table and that she believes in the team.
- Councilor Leech – noted her appreciation for the process and the deep conversations; noted she is optimistic.
- Councilor Evans – noted it has been a good process, and he is looking forward to tomorrow.

Mayor Knudson adjourned the meeting at 4:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Cherish Bradshaw)

Link to the webcast of this City Council meeting [here](#).

MINUTES

Eugene City Council Work Session and Urban Renewal Agency Meeting Eugene, Oregon 97401

July 8, 2026
12:00 p.m.

Councilors Present: Eliza Kashinsky, Matt Keating, Alan Zelenka, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Greg Evans, and Randy Groves

Councilors Absent: Lyndsie Leech

Mayor Knudson opened the July 8, 2026, meeting of the Eugene City Council Work Session in a hybrid in-person and virtual format at 500 E. 4th Avenue, North Building, Eugene, OR 97401.

City Manager Jenny Haruyama introduced the topic and Ethan Nelson, Intergovernmental Relations Manager who provided background on the process for establishing state and federal priorities.

1. **WORK SESSION: Intergovernmental Relations: Preparation for 2027 Legislative Session, Follow-up**

Councilor Discussion:

- Councilor Kashinsky – noted the fast pace of the legislative session; asked whether there are opportunities for Councilors to engage more directly with legislators through testimony or meetings; expressed interest in supporting advocacy aligned with Council priorities.
- Councilor Clark – asked whether the conversation was intended to address future priorities or gaps from previous sessions; stated infrastructure to support housing development should be elevated as a higher priority; noted past data suggesting a significant portion of the city’s buildable land lacked necessary infrastructure; stated interest in pursuing stronger legislative support for housing-related infrastructure investments.
- Councilor Keating –stated several priority areas: increased investment in traffic safety aligned with Vision Zero, strengthened digital privacy protections, support for statewide shelter programs including Safe Sleep Sites, expanded access to the Imagination Library, and greater revenue options for cities; noted interest in ensuring statewide Imagination Library support to reduce reliance on local fundraising.
- Councilor Groves – noted the need to update the strategic plan; stated the current plan does not reflect present Council priorities; noted desire for clearer prioritization to support more efficient Intergovernmental Relations Committee (IGR) work.

- Mayor Knudson – noted the importance of collaboration with legislative partners, citing recent work related to the Eugene Airport as an example of multi-year coordination; asked how such long-range collaborative work aligns with annual priority-setting timelines and how Council can best support upstream legislative strategy development.
- Councilor Kashinsky – asked whether additional legislative advocacy opportunities could support cross-jurisdictional work on ambulance transport services; noted that regional districts are facing financial instability.
- Councilor Keating – stated interest in statewide incentives for building upward rather than outward; noted interest in statewide animal services investment; asked about the feasibility of statewide property tax reform; asked whether recommendations from statewide health governance boards could present opportunities for aligned City advocacy.
- Mayor Knudson – noted the value of increased connection points between Council and the legislative delegation before and after legislative sessions; interest in strengthening those engagement opportunities.

Mayor Knudson closed the July 8, 2026 City Council work session and called the July 8, 2026 meeting of the Eugene Urban Renewal Agency to order.

2. WORK SESSION: Urban Renewal Update: Riverfront

Agency Director Jenny Haruyama provided a summary and introduced Amanda D'Souza Development Programs Manager and Will Dowdy, Community Development Director, who provided background on three project areas: Parcel Eight Food Hall, Parcel Four Affordable Housing, and Riverfront Connections.

Councilor Discussion:

- Councilor Kashinsky – stated support for improved access between parking areas and the Riverfront Park; noted community interest in clearer navigation to park spaces; asked for clarification regarding estimated numbers of parking spaces under the proposed change of use for Viaduct Open Space; asked whether earlier open space concepts were specific or general in nature.
- Councilor Keating – stated concerns about relocating the generator; noted uncertainty that this request represented the highest priority use of funds; asked whether accessible parking currently exists in the area and whether the proposal was essential for accessibility improvements.
- Councilor Groves – asked whether mixed-income housing in a single building is more expensive to construct; asked about feasibility of underground parking given water table height; stated support for moving projects forward to overcome construction market challenges.
- Councilor Yeh – noted strong support for the affordable housing project; stated willingness to accommodate the parking compromise due to cost considerations;

stated reservations about relocating the generator; stated preference to reserve funding flexibility for future needs.

- Councilor Zelenka – stated support for Parcel 4 Affordable Housing; noted that affordable housing requires subsidy; noted support for the proposed change of use to accommodate parking; noted that underground parking is significantly more expensive; stated interest in understanding the cost basis for Riverfront Connections design work.
- Mayor Knudson – stated the relationship between the affordable housing footprint and the generator would benefit from a visual showing both together; noted physical relationship is important when considering transportation circulation and overall site functionality; noted the Riverfront site used to be fenced and inaccessible stated redesigning access is essential for the community to fully benefit from new investments; stated support for the proposed change of use for parking, citing the value of preserving the stormwater and landscaped edge; stated maintaining a welcoming pedestrian experience from Fifth Street to the Riverfront is important and should be preserved; noted interest in incorporating public art under the viaduct to improve the visual experience; stated support for the affordable housing proposal, notes its similarity to a recently constructed project in the Whiteaker; asked whether \$300,000 would be sufficient to complete the planning work.
- Councilor Kashinsky – stated she spoke with a resident who asked how a person using a wheelchair could access the existing Riverfront Park; stated she was unsure whether the slope along that path is compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA); stated that relocating the generator and improving the connection between the parking lot and the Riverfront Park would enhance accessibility, particularly for individuals with mobility challenges; asked whether the proposed connection would meet ADA accessibility requirements.
- Councilor Yeh – asked whether any presentation materials included an image indicating how close the proposed building would sit to the generator location; stated appreciation for colleagues' perspectives; noted the revised cost estimate lower than \$500,000 made the proposal more reasonable; stated future planning should invest equivalent effort in ensuring safe and convenient walking and bicycling access.

MOTION: Councilor Kashinsky, seconded by Councilor Zelenka, moved to approve the use of urban renewal funds for the projects as provided in Attachment B to this AIS, with the change of \$300,000 from \$500,000 for the Riverfront Connections Project.

Councilor Discussion:

- Councilor Keating – stated intent to make a substitute motion.

MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE: Councilor Keating, seconded by Councilor Groves, moved to substitute Councilor Kashinsky's motion to approve the use of Urban Renewal Funds for the Parcel 4 Affordable Housing Project which is Attachment B to this AIS.

Councilor Discussion:

- Councilor Keating – stated councilors' broad support for the affordable housing project and stated his intention to support it; noted the allocation of \$500,000 versus \$300,000 should be debated separately from the motion under consideration; asked for council to support the substitution in order to advance the affordable housing project independently; stated he is prepared to support the affordable housing components outlined in the Agenda Item Summary (AIS); asked councilors to support the motion so discussion of related funding questions could occur separately.
- Mayor Knudson – stated five minutes remained in the scheduled meeting time; noted the importance of avoiding rushed consideration of remaining items; asked for a motion to extend the meeting by 10 minutes.

VOTE ON MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE:

IN FAVOR: Kashinsky, Keating, Zelenka, Yeh, Clark, Evans, and Groves.

OPPOSED: None

MOTION: Councilor Keating, seconded by Councilor Groves, moved to approve the use of Urban Renewal Funds for the Parcel 4 Affordable Housing Project which is Attachment B to this AIS.

IN FAVOR: Kashinsky, Keating, Zelenka, Yeh, Clark, Evans, and Groves.

OPPOSED: None

MOTION: Councilor Kashinsky, seconded by Councilor Zelenka, moved to extend the work session by 10 minutes.

IN FAVOR: Kashinsky, Keating, Zelenka, Yeh, Clark, Evans, and Groves.

OPPOSED: None

MOTION: Councilor Kashinsky, seconded by Councilor Groves, moved to approve the use of Urban Renewal Funds for the Riverfront Connections Project as described in Attachment B with the change of the amount being from \$300,000 to \$500,000.

Councilor Discussion:

- Councilor Keating – asked whether the motion still included elements related to the Parcel 8 restaurant site; asked whether the action being considered was limited to adjusting the cost of the study associated with relocating the generator; asked for clarification regarding the availability of accessible parking in the Riverfront area; asked whether individuals with mobility challenges currently lack compliant access points; asked whether moving the generator would be the only method to establish

an accessible connection and whether present conditions place the site out of compliance.

- Councilor Clark – asked for clarification the \$300,000 under consideration represented the cost of obtaining an estimate for the project and not the cost of relocating the generator itself; noted the eventual relocation could cost multiple millions of dollars; asked for an estimate for the generator relocation; stated his understanding the purpose of the \$300,000 was to obtain estimates.
- Councilor Zelenka – asked for confirmation the proposed design work encompassed multiple elements of the Riverfront Connections Project; stated his understanding was the estimated \$2 million dollars represented the cost of this combined set of improvements rather than solely the cost of moving the generator; stated his reference to the portion of the parking area requiring redesign and noted this element would be included in the design phase; stated the entire parking lot west of City Hall would constitute a separate future project.
- Councilor Groves – asked if the proposal could present project costs broken down by individual elements to allow Council to evaluate components separately; asked whether it would be possible to make all areas of the Riverfront project site accessible under the ADA without relocating the generator; stated he sought a better understanding of potential risks involved in relocating the generator; noted significant equipment moves can sometimes result in unexpected complications.

IN FAVOR: Kashinsky , Zelenka, Yeh, Clark, Evans, and Groves.

OPPOSED: Keating

MOTION: Councilor Kashinsky, seconded by Councilor Groves, moved to approve the amendment to the project deal points proposed in Attachment B to this AIS and to direct the Agency Director to revise the Disposition and Development Agreement to allow use of the Viaduct Open Space parcel for parking.

IN FAVOR: Kashinsky, Keating, Zelenka, Yeh, Clark, Evans, and Groves.

OPPOSED: None

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Rosa Roach)

Link to the webcast of this City Council meeting [here](#).

MINUTES**Eugene City Council Meeting
Eugene, Oregon 97401****July 13, 2026
7:30 p.m.**

Councilors Present: Eliza Kashinsky, Matt Keating, Alan Zelenka, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Greg Evans, Lyndsie Leech, and Randy Groves

Mayor Knudson opened the July 13, 2026, meeting of the Eugene City Council in hybrid in-person and virtual format at 500 E. 4th Avenue, North Building, Eugene, OR 97401.

1. CEREMONIAL ITEMS

Mayor Knudson introduced proclamations for Independence Day, the Day of Compassion, World Athletics U20 Championships Week, and Women's Equality Day.

2. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

- Councilor Keating – noted he was looking forward to the World Athletics U20 Championships; noted the Eugene Riverfront festival was held in 2022 to celebrate the World Athletics Championships Oregon2022; noted the riverfront area is the ideal location for future festivals, reminiscent of the former Eugene Celebration; noted he had been the keynote speaker at the Looking Glass Riverfront School's graduation ceremony in June; stated his thanks for those who hosted and attended the Oregon Country fair the previous weekend.
- Mayor Knudson – thanked staff and community partners who supported the Lift Off EUG project presentation at the airport last week; thanked those who had worked during the July 4th weekend; noted she was part of the delegation who accepted the Oregon Heritage Commissions' recognition of the Prefontaine Class as an Oregon Heritage Tradition; noted the upcoming opening of the Santa Clara community park; noted she would be speaking at the Asian Celebration at Alton Baker Park.

3. PRIORITY GOAL ACTION: Approval of Resources for Housing Affordable to Low- and Moderate-Income People

City Manager Jenny Haruyama introduced the topic and provided background information.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Keating – noted his enthusiasm for the project; asked about the environmental impact of the project; asked if the property wetlands would be preserved or protected; asked if Council would have a chance in the future to approve the wetland mitigation plan.

MOTION: Councilor Leech, seconded by Councilor Kashinsky, moved to award \$325,439 of Affordable Housing Trust Funds to River Road Housing by Laurel Hill Center and \$325,000 of Affordable Housing Trust Funds to OUR Village by SquareOne Villages and move to award

the City-owned property located on Hilyard Street and 34th Avenue (Assessor's Map 18-03-08-24, Tax Lot Numbers 10900, 11000, 11200 and 11400) to Yonkalla Commons by Hacienda CDC.

VOTE: 8:0 PASSED

IN FAVOR: Kashinsky, Keating, Zelenka, Yeh, Clark, Evans, Leech, and Groves.

OPPOSED: None.

4. PRIORITY GOAL ACTION: Adoption of a Resolution Approving a Low-Income Rental Housing Property Tax Exemption Renewal for Vet Lift I

City Manager Jenny Haruyama introduced the topic and provided background information.

MOTION: Councilor Leech, seconded by Councilor Kashinsky, moved to adopt the resolution in Attachment B to this AIS, approving a Low-Income Rental Housing Property Tax Exemption for property located at 951 West 7th Avenue.

VOTE: 8:0 PASSED

IN FAVOR: Kashinsky, Keating, Zelenka, Yeh, Clark, Evans, Leech, and Groves.

OPPOSED: None.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR 1

A. Approval of City Council Minutes

B. Approval of City Council Tentative Agenda

C. A Resolution Amending the City of Eugene Annex to the Lane County Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan Adopted by Resolution No. 5446

MOTION: Councilor Leech, seconded by Councilor Kashinsky, moved to approve the items on Consent Calendar 1.

VOTE: 8:0 PASSED

IN FAVOR: Kashinsky, Keating, Zelenka, Yeh, Clark, Evans, Leech, and Groves.

OPPOSED: None.

6. ACTION: An Ordinance Concerning Polystyrene and Single-Use Bag Regulations; Amending Sections 6.850, 6.855, 6.874 and 6.876 of the Eugene Code, 1971; Deleting Section 6.878 of the Eugene Code, 1971; and Providing an Effective Date
City Manager Haruyama introduced the topic and provided background information.

MOTION: Councilor Leech, seconded by Councilor Kashinsky, moved to approve the Ordinance in Attachment A to this AIS, An Ordinance Concerning Polystyrene and Single-Use Bag Regulations; Amending Sections 6.850, 6.855, 6.874 and 6.876 of the Eugene Code, 1971; Deleting section 6.878 of the Eugene Code, 1971 and Providing an Effective Date.

VOTE: 8:0 PASSED

IN FAVOR: Kashinsky, Keating, Zelenka, Yeh, Clark, Evans, Leech, and Groves.

OPPOSED: None.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Jay Smith – spoke about culture and management issues at EPD.
2. Rebecca Kassan – spoke against DevNW Floral Hill development.
3. John Brown – spoke in favor of adding a property to the Urban Growth Boundary (UGB).
4. Joseph Young – spoke against DevNW Floral Hill development.
5. Stefan (Ace Dog) Strek – spoke about the City's budget shortfalls.
6. Mary Gent – spoke against DevNW Floral Hill development.
7. Lisa Kaye – spoke against DevNW Floral Hill development.
8. Jim Neu – spoke about the importance of protecting Eugene's drinking water source.
9. Latiffe Amado – spoke about culture and management issues at EPD.
10. Jojo Breslin – spoke about a local history tour hosted by Oregon Black Pioneers.
11. Ken Willis – spoke about trust and transparency and against mass surveillance.
12. Jacob Trewe – asked for CSPT funds to be allocated to CAHOOTS type service
13. Ky Fireside – spoke against mass surveillance and about difficulties scheduling a meeting with the City Manager.
14. Richard Riordan – spoke about culture and management issues at EPD.
15. Steve Gilbert – spoke about safety issues along Hwy 99 and the Bethel area.
16. Josh Easterlund – spoke in favor of changes to public policy around psychedelics.
17. Genevieve Channing – spoke about street safety for those who walk and bike.
18. Wyn Manselle – spoke about the need for transparency to repair the public's trust.
19. Blair Hickok – spoke in favor of accessibility for those with disabilities.
20. Eli Mazet – spoke against closing the streets around the Saturday market.
21. Robert Brock – spoke in favor of using the police budget for social services.
22. David Igl – spoke about local historical events.

Council Discussion:

- Councilor Clark – asked staff to provide a report about the property with the potential to be included in the urban reserves of the UGB.
- Councilor Groves – noted he is also interested in the possibility of adding the property to the urban reserves; asked if there are plans to close the streets around the Saturday Market.
- Councilor Yeh – noted there are challenges to walking or biking to school; stated agreement with the need for increased transparency; noted the Oregon Black Pioneers are an amazing organization and encouraged folks to visit their website.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR 1

- A. **A Resolution Annexing Land to the City of Eugene (Assessor's Map 17-03-09-31, Tax Lots 800, 900, 1000, and 1100, Located at 89830 N Game Farm Road) (City File: 89830 N Game Farm; A 26-04)**

MOTION: Councilor Leech, seconded by Councilor Kashinsky, moved to approve the items on Consent Calendar 2.

VOTE: 8:0 PASSED

IN FAVOR: Kashinsky, Keating, Zelenka, Yeh, Clark, Evans, Leech, and Groves.

OPPOSED: None.

Mayor Knudson adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Cherish Bradshaw)

Link to the webcast of this City Council meeting [here](#).

MINUTES

Eugene City Council Work Session Eugene, Oregon 97401

July 13, 2026
5:30 p.m.

Councilors Present: Eliza Kashinsky, Matt Keating, Alan Zelenka, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Greg Evans, Lyndsie Leech, and Randy Groves

Mayor Kaarin Knudson opened the July 13, 2026, work session of the Eugene City Council in a hybrid format at 500 E 4th Avenue, North Building, Eugene OR 97401.

1. **WORK SESSION: Long Range Financial Planning & Strategic Plan**

City Manager Jenny Haruyama introduced Chief Financial Officer, Twylla Miller, and consultant Nancy Hetrick with Raftelis to discuss the budget principles, service framework, and strategic focus areas drafted at the Council Workshop on Long Range Financial Planning.

Councilor Discussion:

- Councilor Keating – asked if Council would be included in the Budget Committee meetings in August; asked if there has been any outreach to the former members of the Revenue Committee.

MOTION: Councilor Leech, seconded by Councilor Kashinsky, moved to adopt Attachment A with a change to Number 3, replacing sustainability with stability.

Councilor Discussion:

- Councilor Zelenka – noted number six had been added as a result of Council discussion.
- Councilor Clark – noted while he would vote in favor of the motion, he is not sure how the list will affect future decisions.
- Mayor Knudson – noted the principles are an example of supporting transparency and will improve clarity with the public.
- Councilor Keating – asked if the principles were listed in order of importance.

VOTE: 8:0 PASSED

IN FAVOR: Kashinsky, Keating, Zelenka, Yeh, Clark, Evans, Leech, and Groves.

OPPOSED: None.

MOTION: Councilor Leech, seconded by Councilor Kashinsky, moved to approve the Service Framework as set forth in Attachment B to this AIS.

Councilor Discussion:

- Councilor Zelenka – noted he likes the structure of the service focus areas; stated that actions to implement the strategies are still to come and this document is the framework those actions will hang on; asked if the Service Framework was a categorization tool or a prioritization tool; asked if the next step is for staff to categorize services.
- Councilor Kashinsky – stated important questions will emerge through this budget decision lens; asked if staff will show which programs have full cost recovery versus those that do not.
- Councilor Groves – noted he is looking for a way to prioritize programs.
- Councilor Zelenka – asked how the budget decisions considerations will be used within each category.
- Councilor Yeh – asked why the budget decision lenses are focused on reducing or eliminating services instead of investing.

VOTE: 8:0 PASSED

IN FAVOR: Kashinsky, Keating, Zelenka, Yeh, Clark, Evans, Leech, and Groves.

OPPOSED: None.

Councilor Discussion:

- Mayor Knudson – noted the value of this work in terms of how it will organize other efforts and clarify potential partnerships; stated she expects the following to be central to the work over the next few years: affordability, belonging, economic development, and climate responsiveness.
- Councilor Kashinsky – noted the strategic focus areas broadly capture the discussion; stated the community safety section lacks clear strategies for prevention and early intervention.
- Councilor Keating – stated strong support for strengthening partnerships and supporting behavioral health and crisis response; noted concern with the housing focus area's clause on removing barriers to housing production; noted he is not interested expanding the urban growth boundary; stated that prior concerns raised about animal services are not clearly represented in the document.
- Councilor Zelenka – stated appreciation for the strategy on advancing community resilience and environmental stewardship; noted the housing and homelessness focus area centers mostly on housing production; stated the focus area should address affordable housing, mental health services, and substance abuse as root causes of homelessness.
- Councilor Yeh – stated support for adding more specific strategies around homelessness; noted the community safety focus area could use clarification.
- Councilor Clark – stated he likes the housing and homelessness section as written; noted limited outward growth has contributed to the current financial constraints; stated he had hoped there would be more specifics around creating long-term financial stability.

- Councilor Evans – stated his primary focus is on public safety and transportation; noted the document provides a good benchmark for determining future direction.
- Councilor Leech – stated no issue with the “remove barriers to housing production” language; noted regional coordination on homelessness response could be expanded to reflect work with Lane County; noted interest in strengthening partnerships around behavioral health.
- Councilor Groves – stated he likes the framework and finds it workable; noted the homelessness and housing sections need more detail; stated concern that community safety does not address how far behind fire services have fallen, with staffing unchanged since 1981 despite rising demand.
- Councilor Zelenka – noted the community safety section does not specifically address the fire department; suggests adding a fourth strategy to the Housing and Homelessness section.
- Councilor Keating – noted agreement with adding a fourth strategy to the Housing and Homelessness section; stated the community safety strategies are strong but acknowledged the clear need for more specificity and resources for first responders, especially firefighters; noted support for the focus on reducing crime and strengthening code compliance; noted appreciation for the general financial stability language, saying its flexibility allows creative approaches to diversifying revenue; stated support for keeping public spaces, parks, and waterways clean, safe, and accessible; stated the strategies are interconnected and complementary.
- Councilor Clark – stated opposition to adding a fourth strategy to housing and homelessness because ultimately the responsibility lies with the county; noted concern that diminishing federal and state dollars would create budget challenges if the city tried to fill the gap in services; stated agreement with concerns about fire services and the need for increased investment regardless of structural changes; noted discomfort with the financial stability language because he wants to strengthen revenue but not necessarily diversify it; asked for a focused conversation on increasing the city's major revenue source, property tax, by determining how to achieve needed increases in assessed value.
- Councilor Kashinsky – stated the broad framing creates space to discuss the “how” without detailing every priority; stated the plan does not yet clearly distinguish proactive versus reactive approaches in homelessness or community safety; stated support for strengthening and diversifying revenue; noted both short-term and long-term revenue solutions are needed for stability.
- Councilor Evans – asked how to deal with the lack of federal funding for affordable housing subsidies; noted rising rents increase the occurrence of homelessness; stated there should be conversations with the state and other municipal partners about additional types of housing subsidies, particularly for those experiencing homelessness.
- Councilor Groves – asked if there needed to be an amendment to the section on community safety; noted he would like to discuss programs helping unhoused community members during the budget process.

- Councilor Zelenka – noted the Council had previously discussed growth as a budget strategy; noted the City would need two to three billion dollars of investment to gain ten million dollars in property tax revenue; stated while growth is beneficial overall, it is not an effective near-term budget solution because the necessary level of investment cannot be achieved quickly.
- Councilor Clark – noted they have not explored whether the investment figures are achievable relative to community capacity; stated the needed discussion is about what policy changes or decisions could make long-term growth possible; agreed that growth is not a short-term budget solution; stated concern they repeatedly avoid long-term solutions because they don't resolve short-term issues, which contributes to current budget challenges; called for an in-depth, long-term policy discussion to address structural fiscal problems.
- Councilor Evans – noted his support for animal services; asked if it is possible to merge the 1st Avenue Shelter into Greenhill Humane Society; stated the need to address the animal service situation due to the number of animals on the street.
- Councilor Kashinsky – noted her support for animal and fire services; noted concern about adding specific programmatic priorities to the strategic plan framework document because it may elevate whatever is mentioned at the table rather than relying on staff's broader analysis; noted long-range financial strategy discussions are still needed, including how to solve long- and short-term revenue concerns and how to prioritize services; stated while the current document reflects collegial consensus, the next phase will be harder due to philosophical differences about solutions.
- Councilor Keating – noted the City has state-mandated responsibilities around animal services; stated support for adding the resource allocation for first responders, especially fire and EMS.
- Mayor Knudson – noted the forthcoming service framework and related documents will clarify requirements from state regulation and legally mandated city services, helping distinguish required services from strategic priorities; noted the plan is meant to clarify overarching strategies; asked whether updates to the strategic plan framework and strategies can be brought back during Wednesday's work session and completed before council break.

MOTION: Councilor Leech, seconded by Councilor Kashinsky, moved to approve the Strategic focus areas as set forth in Attachment C to this AIS.

VOTE: 8:0 PASSED

IN FAVOR: Kashinsky, Keating, Zelenka, Yeh, Clark, Evans, Leech, and Groves.

OPPOSED: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Cherish Bradshaw)

Link to the webcast of this City Council meeting [here](#).

MINUTES

Eugene City Council Special Meeting Eugene, Oregon 97401

August 24, 2026
5:30 p.m.

Councilors Present: Eliza Kashinsky, Matt Keating, Alan Zelenka, Jennifer Yeh, Mike Clark, Greg Evans, Lyndsie Leech, and Randy Groves

Mayor Kaarin Knudson opened the August 24, 2026, work session of the Eugene City Council in a virtual format at 500 E 4th Avenue, North Building, Eugene OR 97401.

1. WORK SESSION: Presentation of Initiative Petition 2026-1 to Council

City Manager Jenny Haruyama introduced City Recorder, Katie LaSala to introduce the topic and provide background information on the certified initiative petition which has qualified to be on the November ballot as a measure titled Licensure of Large Retailers to Finance a Clean Energy Fund.

Councilor Discussion:

- Councilor Yeh – stated the Council as a body does not need to take any action; noted Councilors can share their personal opinions with the community.
- Councilor Keating – stated his support for the measure; noted his excitement that it is on the November ballot; stated the Council as a body does not need to take any action.
- Councilor Clark – asked if the initiative petition is being put to the ballot as an ordinance; asked if there has been an analysis of the potential costs or implementation; asked if the City would be required to implement the measure regardless of cost if it passes.
- Councilor Groves – stated agreement that the Council as a body does not need to take any action; noted he has questions about cost and implementation.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie LaSala
City Recorder

(Recorded by Cherish Bradshaw)

Link to the webcast of this City Council meeting [here](#).

EUGENE CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Approval of Tentative Working Agenda

Meeting Date: September 28, 2026
Department: Central Services
www.eugene-or.gov

Agenda Item Number: 2B
Staff Contact: Katie LaSala
Phone: 541-682-5010

ISSUE STATEMENT

This is a routine item to approve the City Council Tentative Working Agenda.

BACKGROUND

Per City Council Operating Agreements, at each regular meeting of the Council, the City Manager shall present the Tentative Agenda. This shall be placed on the Consent Calendar. If there are any concerns about the items on the Tentative Agenda, it may be removed at the request of any councilors from the Consent Calendar and discussed separately.

COUNCIL OPTIONS

The council may choose to approve, amend or not approve the tentative agenda.

SUGGESTED MOTION

Move to approve the items on the Tentative Working Agenda.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. City Council Tentative Working Agenda

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Staff Contact: Katie LaSala, City Recorder
Phone: 541-682-5010
Staff E-Mail: klasala@eugene-or.gov



City Council Tentative Agenda

Updated September 23, 2026

Meeting materials and access information available at <https://www.eugene-or.gov/3360/Webcasts-and-Meeting-Materials>

September 2026

Date	Day	Time	Title	Length	Dept Contact
28-Sept	Mon	5:30 pm	Community Safety Payroll Tax (Work Session)	45 min	K. Hammitt, CS
			Boards, Committees and Commissions Recruitment Process (Work Session)	45 min	K. LaSala, CS
<i>Location: Council Chambers & Virtual</i>					
28-Sept	Mon	7:30 pm	Committee Reports and Items of Interest		
			A Resolution Authorizing Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan Agreement (Consent Calendar 1)		R. Vaicunas, PW
			Approval of Voting Delegate for League of Oregon Cities Business Meeting (Consent Calendar 1)		E. Nelson, CS
			Public Comment		
<i>Location: Council Chambers & Virtual</i>					

October 2026

Date	Day	Time	Title	Length	Dept Contact
12-Oct	Mon	5:30 pm	Lift Off EUG Feasibility Study (Work Session)	45 min	C. Stephens, PW
			Human Rights Commission Annual Report & Work Plan (Work Session)	45 min	F. Andrade, CS
<i>Location: Council Chambers & Virtual</i>					
12-Oct	Mon	7:30 pm	Ceremonial Matters		
			Committee Reports and Items of Interest		
			Consent Calendar 1		
			Public Comment		
			Consent Calendar 2		

Location: Council Chambers and Virtual					
14-Oct	Wed	12:00 pm	Community Safety Payroll Tax (Work Session)	90 min	K. Hammitt, CS
Location: Public Virtual Only					
19-Oct	Mon	5:30 pm	Moderate Income Revolving Loan (Public Hearing)		A. D'Souza, PDD
			Urban Growth Strategies Adoption Package (Public Hearing)		R. Gershow, PDD
Location: Council Chambers & Virtual					
21-Oct	Wed	12:00 pm	Library Levy Update (Work Session)	45 min	J. Bates, LRCS
			Topic Pending Confirmation (Work Session)	45 min	Staff
Location: Public Virtual Only					
26-Oct	Mon	5:30 pm	Police Commission Annual Report (Work Session)	45 min	K. Boose, EPD
			Sustainability Commission Annual Report (Work Session)	45 min	D. Klinkebiel, PW
Location: Council Chambers & Virtual					
26-Oct	Mon	7:30 pm	Committee Reports and Items of Interest		
			Consent Calendar 1		
			Public Comment		
			Consent Calendar 2		
Location: Council Chambers and Virtual					
28-Oct	Wed	12:00 pm	An Ordinance Establishing a Residential Energy Performance Disclosure Requirement; Adding Sections 6.760, 6.765, 6.770, 6.775, 6.780, and 6.785 to the Eugene Code, 1971; and Providing an Effective Date. (Work Session and Possible Action)	45 min	D. Klinkebiel, PW
			Voluntary Annexation Follow-up (Work Session)	45 min	T. Harding, PDD
Location: Public Virtual Only					

28-Oct	Wed	5:30 pm	Budget Committee Meeting (Budget Committee)	TBD	Staff
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November 2026

Date	Day	Time	Title	Length	Dept Contact
9-Nov	Mon	5:30 pm	City of Eugene 2027 Legislative Priorities (Work Session)	45 min	B. Freed, CS
			Downtown Urban Renewal District Update: Right of Way Projects (URA Work Session)	45 min	A. Fifield, PDD
			<i>Location: Council Chambers & Virtual</i>		
9-Nov	Mon	7:30 pm	Ceremonial Matters		
			Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag in honor of Veteran's Day		
			Committee Reports and Items of Interest		
			(Consent Calendar 1)		
			Public Comment		
			(Consent Calendar 2)		
			<i>Location: Council Chambers and Virtual</i>		
11-Nov	Wed	12:00 pm	Holiday – No Work Session		
16-Nov	Mon	5:30 pm	Rental Housing Code: Minor Code Updates (Public Hearing)		A. Cameron, PDD
			<i>Location: Council Chambers & Virtual</i>		
18-Nov	Wed	12:00 pm	Wastewater System Development Charge Methodology Update (Work Session)	45 min	J. Blackham, PW
			Transportation Safety: Automated Red Light Cameras (Work Session)	45 min	C. Charvat, PW
			<i>Location: Public Virtual Only</i>		
18-Nov	Wed	5:30 pm	Budget Committee Meeting (Budget Committee)	TBD	Staff, CS
23-Nov	Mon	5:30 pm	Riverfront Urban Renewal Parcel 8 Foodhall (URA Work Session)	45 min	A. D'Souza, PDD

			Urban Growth Strategies Adoption Package (Work Session & Possible Action)	45 min	R. Gershow, PDD
			<i>Location: Council Chambers & Virtual</i>		
23-Nov	Mon	7:30 pm	Committee Reports and Items of Interest (Consent Calendar 1) Public Comment (Consent Calendar 2) <i>Location: Council Chambers and Virtual</i>		

December 2026

Date	Day	Time	Title	Length	Dept Contact
2-Dec	Wed	5:30 pm	Tentative: Budget Committee Meeting (Budget Committee)	TBD	Staff, CS
9-Dec	Wed	12:00 pm	Surveillance Policy Update (Work Session)	45 min	M. Rodrigues, CS
			Utility Right of Way Ordinance (Work Session)	45 min	J. Blackham, PW
			<i>Location: Public Virtual Only</i>		
14-Dec	Mon	5:30 pm	Urban Growth Strategies Draft Land Need: Housing, Jobs, Public Land (Work Session)	45 min	Staff, PDD
			Data Centers in the Zoning/Land Use Code (Work Session)	45 min	Staff, PDD
			<i>Location: Council Chambers & Virtual</i>		
14-Dec	Mon	7:30 pm	Ceremonial Matters Committee Reports and Items of Interest (Consent Calendar 1) Resolution Adopting the City's Third 2025-2027 Supplemental Budget; Making Appropriations for the City of Eugene for the Biennium Beginning July 1, 2025 and Ending June 30, 2027 (Public Hearing and Action)		L. Butterfield, CS

A Resolution Adopting the Urban Renewal Agency's (URA) Third 2025-2027 Supplemental Budget; Making Appropriations for the URA of the City of Eugene for the Biennium Beginning July 1, 2025 and Ending June 30, 2027 (URA Public Hearing and Action)

Public Comment

(Consent Calendar 2)

Location: Council Chambers and Virtual

16-Dec	Wed	12:00 pm	Topic Pending Confirmation (Work Session)	45 min	Staff
			City Manager Update (Work Session)	45 min	J. Haruyama, CMO
<i>Location: Public Virtual Only</i>					

Council Winter Break Dec 17 – Jan 10

Additional Information Regarding Upcoming Public Hearings

Date/Time	Topic/Title	Description	Staff Contact
October 19, 5:30 PM	Urban Growth Strategies Adoption Package	The Eugene City Council will hold a public hearing to consider two ordinances that are intended to remove barriers and increase housing choice and jobs development; to align the Eugene Code with state law; and to meet state-mandated end-of-year deadlines. Urban Growth Strategies (UGS) Adoption Package #1 implements state requirements, direction given by the Council, and the Planning Commission's recommendation. Action on these ordinances is scheduled for November 23. The proposed ordinance will be posted online: https://www.eugene-or.gov/1781/Proposed-Ordinances	R. Gershow RGershow@eugene-or.gov 541-682-5635
October 19, 5:30 PM	Moderate Income Revolving Loan	The Eugene City Council will hold a public hearing to provide comments on an ordinance implementing a Moderate-Income Revolving Loan program, a new housing incentive program enabled by the State of Oregon. The proposed ordinance will be posted online: https://www.eugene-or.gov/1781/Proposed-Ordinances	A. D'Souza Adsouza@eugene-or.gov 541-682-5540
Nov 16, 5:30 PM	Rental Housing Code: Minor Code Updates	The Eugene City Council will hold a public hearing to provide comments on minor code updates to the rental housing code. The	A. Cameron ACameron@eugene-or.gov

proposed ordinance will be posted online:
<https://www.eugene-or.gov/1781/Proposed-Ordinances>

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Approved Work Session Polls to be Scheduled	Councilor	Date Approved
Police Auditor Timelines for Filing Complaints - TBD	Keating	6/10/2026
Data Centers in the Zoning/Land Use – Dec. 14, 2026	Kashinsky	8/19/2026
Pump Track at Washington Jefferson - TBD	Leech	9/14/2026

Materials and Information

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El Consejo de la Ciudad de Eugene agradece su interés en estos puntos de la agenda. La sala de reuniones del ayuntamiento es accesible para sillas de ruedas. Para personas con dificultades auditivas, se puede proporcionar un intérprete con 48 horas de anticipación. También se puede proporcionar interpretación al español con 48 horas de aviso. Para organizar estos servicios, contacte a la Oficina del Gerente de la Ciudad al 541-682-5010. Las reuniones del Consejo de la Ciudad se transmiten en vivo por Metro Televisión, Canal 21 de Comcast y se vuelven a emitir durante la semana.

For more information, contact the Council Coordinator at 541-682-5010, or visit us online at [eugene-or.gov/101/City-Managers-Office](https://www.eugene-or.gov/101/City-Managers-Office)

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EUGENE CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Contracts to Take on Debt for a Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan

Meeting Date: September 28, 2026
Department: Public Works
www.eugene-or.gov

Agenda Item Number: 2C
Staff Contact: Rachael Vaicunas
Phone: 541-729-2963

ISSUE STATEMENT

This item is a request that the City Council approve a resolution to increase, by approximately \$550,000.00, the debt previously authorized by the City Council through Resolution No. 5447. The subject loan, offered by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), is through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) for the Prairie Road South of Beltline Highway Wastewater Extension project (the Project). The City's low-income assistance program, which is administered through Eugene Water and Electric Board (EWEB), has qualified the City for up to 50 percent loan forgiveness on at least \$1,650,000.00 of the loan principal, which is likely to be extended to this additional \$550,000.00 in loan principal. This would be finalized at the time of loan signing.

BACKGROUND

On August 8, 2024, the City submitted an application to the DEQ to fund the Prairie Road South of Beltline Highway Wastewater Extension project through a CWSRF Loan. The Project is identified in the City of Eugene's 2020 Wastewater Master Plan and involves providing wastewater service to approximately 27 industrial zoned properties with frontage along Prairie Road (approximately 84 acres).

On November 26, 2024, DEQ published the 2025 Third Edition of the Oregon CWSRF Proposed Intended Use Plan which included the Project. On April 28, 2025, the City adopted Resolution No. 5447 authorizing the City Manager to take actions necessary to obtain the CWSRF loan for the estimated the cost of the Project, which was \$1,650,000. The current engineer's estimate for the Project is \$2,200,000. Since this amount is significantly higher than the estimate in Resolution No. 5447 (by \$550,000), a second Resolution is being presented for Council action, to reflect the increased amount.

The CWSRF Program has already agreed to provide principal forgiveness of up to 50 percent of the originally estimated Project cost. The City anticipates that the additional \$550,000 will be folded into the same terms (up to 50 percent of the Project cost), but it is not guaranteed. The City has already budgeted \$945,000 of wastewater utility fees and SDC fees for the Project and an additional \$155,000 of wastewater utility fees and SDC fees are available to go toward this Project.

The standard term of a CWSRF loan ranges from 5-30 years. Interest rates are calculated based on criteria defined in OAR 340-054-0065 and are adjusted quarterly as published by the Federal Reserve. Once a loan is signed, the interest rate is fixed for the life of the loan. A fee of 0.5 percent of the unpaid balance is collected once annually. Staff anticipate paying off the loan upon

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completion of the project with wastewater utility fees and/or SDC fees, unless Finance determines there are advantages to extending the payment.

The duties assigned to the City Manager under [City Charter Chapter IV Section 16](#) do not include taking on debt, and therefore the City Manager needs a resolution from City Council authorizing the City Manager to sign the loan agreement and any other business transactions associated with this financing.

RELATED CITY POLICIES

This item supports [Envision Eugene](#), the Comprehensive Plan that is the City's long range land use plan that serves as the guiding policy document for land use planning in Eugene's urban growth boundary and addresses the future of Eugene through goals and regulatory policies regarding land use. This subsidized low interest loan will help the City affordably meet the goals of the Comprehensive Plan.

This item supports the Council's 2026-2028 Strategic Plan Framework Transportation and Infrastructure strategies to "pursue funding partnerships for infrastructure investment", and "modernize and maintain city infrastructure to support community needs." ..Installing a wastewater mainline along Prairie Road will allow industrial properties in the corridor to connect to the public wastewater system and decommission their private septic systems that are currently in place. Decommissioning private septic systems will eliminate potential sources of contamination of groundwater, for instance bacteria and nutrients. The groundwater in this location feeds into the Willamette River which is a drinking water source for municipalities downstream of Eugene.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

[April 28, 2025 Council Meeting](#)

Councilor Evans, seconded by Councilor Leech, moved to approve the items on Consent Calendar 1.

Passed 8:0

COUNCIL OPTIONS

1. Approve the resolution as proposed in Attachment A to this AIS.

OR

2. Take no action.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

The City Manager recommends approval of the resolution in Attachment A to this AIS, authorizing the City to undertake the CWSRF loan.

POSSIBLE MOTIONS

Move to approve A Resolution Authorizing the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan Agreement.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. A Resolution Authorizing Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan Agreement

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING
FUND LOAN AGREEMENT**

The City Council of the City of Eugene finds that:

A. On August 8, 2024, the City submitted an application to the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (“DEQ”) to fund the South of Beltline Highway Wastewater Extension (“the Project”).

B. The initial estimated cost of the Project to be funded by DEQ was \$1,650,000, DEQ approved a Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan for that amount, and the City Council authorized the City Manager to obtain such a loan pursuant to Resolution No. 5447 adopted by the City Council on April 28, 2025.

C. The estimated cost of the Project has now increased to approximately \$2,200,000.

NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EUGENE, a
Municipal Corporation of the State of Oregon, as follows:**

Section 1. The Eugene City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to take such actions as needed to undertake the loan described above for approximately \$550,000 more than was authorized by Resolution No. 5447 (for a total of approximately \$2,200,000), including negotiating the final terms and conditions of the loan documents, executing and delivering the final loan documents, and any other acts necessary or appropriate to obtain the above-described Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan on behalf of the City of Eugene.

Section 2. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

The foregoing Resolution adopted and effective the __ day of _____, 2026.

City Recorder

EUGENE CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Approval of Voting Delegate for League of Oregon Cities Business Meeting

Meeting Date: September 28, 2026
Department: Central Services
www.eugene-or.gov

Agenda Item Number: 2D
Staff Contact: Ethan Nelson
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ISSUE STATEMENT

This item is for Council to approve the City's voting delegate for the League of Oregon Cities (LOC) business meeting on October 17, 2026. At the League of Oregon Cities 101st Annual Conference on October 15-17, there will be a LOC Business Meeting with the opportunity for member cities to vote on LOC Board of Directors nominations. Per City Council's Operating Agreements, if the Mayor or councilors attend, an official voting delegate should be selected by the City Council.

BACKGROUND

Created in 1925 through an intergovernmental agreement, the LOC provides a variety of services to Oregon's 241 incorporated cities. The predominate service that LOC provides to the City of Eugene is legislative advocacy.

City of Eugene's Voting Delegate

The [Eugene City Council Operating Agreements](#), Section 9.03-Attending Conferences, Other Meetings, provides direction to the City Council for designating the Council's voting delegate for LOC related items.

'Participating in state and national groups such as the League of Oregon Cities and the National League of Cities presents the opportunity to enhance skills and knowledge and is an important avenue for the Mayor and councilors to advocate for the members of the community and the city itself. If the Mayor or councilors attend meetings of these organizations, an official voting delegate should be selected by the City Council. This voting delegate, to the greatest extent possible, informs the Mayor and City Council of issues or matters on which the voting delegate may be asked to vote. If there is existing City or Council policy, the voting delegate will vote in accordance with that policy. When providing a report to the council (see Section 10.06), votes of the delegate should be included in that report.' - Section 9.03

LOC Annual Business Meeting

As part of the [LOC's 101st Annual Conference](#), the Annual Business Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, October 17 at 7:30 a.m. At the meeting, city representatives will vote to elect the LOC

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Board of Directors for 2026. Because each member city is entitled to only one vote in this process, cities are asked to identify a voting delegate.

LOC Board of Directors

The LOC is governed by a [board of directors](#) consisting of four officers who serve one year in each position, and 12 directors who serve three-year terms. Nine directors are elected city officials, and three directors are appointed city staff. In the first year of the appointed city staff member's term, they are non-voting. During the final year of the appointed city staff member's term, they serve, with the four officers, on the LOC's Executive Committee.

For the 2026 Annual Meeting, the following positions will be voted on:

- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Appointed City Manager
- (3) elected officials with 3-year term
- elected official with 2-year term

The nominations for the vacant board positions will not be decided until the Nominating Committee meeting on Thursday, October 15 at 5:30 p.m. Due to the delayed nature of the nominations, staff is recommending City Council utilize the 'Voting Framework' from the Council's 2024 and 2025 process that will provide direction for the voting delegate to use with their discretion based on the final candidates.

Recommended Voting Framework

At times, a voting delegate may not have specific direction from the City Council and will need to utilize discretion in representing the City Council. The following interests are provided to support the voting delegate's decision, crafted with the focus of LOC in mind.

- Utilize City Code, adopted Council Policy or approved Plans, City Legislative Policy, or City Legislative Priorities to inform decision making.
- Consider the role Eugene serves as a state-wide leader in city governance and innovation.
- Consider the perspectives of a large city in contrast to those of most smaller LOC member cities.
- Recognize the importance of cooperation for LOC's representation at the state level.

NEXT STEPS

City Council President Lyndsie Leech plans to attend the LOC Business Meeting and has offered to serve as the voting delegate. Upon approval by the City Council, City Council President Lyndsie Leech will serve as the City's voting delegate for the 2026 LOC Business Meeting voting process.

RELATED CITY POLICIES

- [Eugene City Council Operating Agreements](#): provides guidance for Council selection of voting delegates.

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AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Public Comment

Meeting Date: September 28, 2026
Department: Central Services
www.eugene-or.gov

Agenda Item Number: 3
Staff Contact: Rosa Roach
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ISSUE STATEMENT

This item allows members of the public the opportunity to express opinions and provide information to the council. Comments presented during the public comment period should be on city-related issues and should not address items which have already been heard by a Hearings Official, items on the present agenda as a public hearing item, or items related to a quasi-judicial matter after the official record has been closed.

BACKGROUND

Per City Council's operating agreement, speakers at the public comment period will be limited to two and a half minutes and the total time will be limited to 90 minutes total. Speakers will be randomized, with persons who did not speak at the previous Public Comment prioritized ahead of persons who did speak at the previous Public Comment. Official representatives of Boards, Commissions, and Neighborhood associations will be prioritized during Public Comment ahead of other randomized speakers. No persons will be allowed to submit a "Request to Speak" form more than 30 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. Persons wishing to speak must sign up to do so no later than 5 minutes after the meeting has been opened by the Mayor or presiding officer.

At the end of the public comment period each member of the Council has the opportunity to respond to comments made. The time allocated to each member of the Council for such responses shall be up to three minutes.

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