



Regular Meeting of the City Council
July 23, 2025 - 6:00 PM Hybrid Meeting

a. Call to Order

Mayor Julia Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

b. Pledge of Allegiance

c. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Julia Johnson, Councilmembers JoEllen Kesti, Paul Cocke, Kevin Loy, Joe Burns, Sarah Diamond, and Nick Lavacca. Councilmember Henderson joined online.

d. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Councilmember Kesti and seconded by Councilmember Lavacca to approve the agenda. Motion carried (7-0).

e. Consent Agenda

Note: Items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine in nature and may be adopted by the Council by a single motion, unless any Councilmember wishes an item to be removed. The Council on the Regular Agenda will consider any item so removed after the Consent Agenda.

Motion made by Councilmember Cocke and seconded by Councilmember Diamond to approve the consent agenda items 1-3 and 5-6. Motion carried (7-0).

Further discussion regarding item 4, the 2024 professional services amendment with Facet Northwest along with the comprehensive plan.

A motion made by Councilmember Loy and seconded by Councilmember Cocke to approve item number 4 on the consent agenda and authorize Mayor Julia Johnson or her designee to execute and sign an amendment to a professional services agreement, continuing comprehensive plan work with Facet NW. Motion carried (7-0).

1. Minutes - Regular City Council Meeting - July 9, 2025
2. Check Register - Regular
3. 2025-205-CN-Amendment - SW Youth Football and Cheer - Denny Engberg Field
4. 2024-PS-06-Amendment 2 - Facet NW - Comprehensive Plan
5. Small Works Roster – SR20/Reed Street Temporary Signal
6. Public Works Emergency Declaration - Biohazard Clean-up and Restoration at

Community Center

f. Introduction of Special Guests and Presentation

g. City Administrator Report

1. Community Development Grant Program - Final Report

City Administrator Charlie Bush presented the final report on the Community Development Grant Program.

Public Works Director Bill Bullock presented the progress on Olmsted Park Construction.

h. Councilmember and Mayor's Report

Councilmember Loy spoke about the skateboard challenge and said they would be having a food truck with pizza and ice cream and shared Connie Krier from the Stewards of Skagit will be gathering Thursdays at the Grange at 6pm.

Councilmember Kesti invited everyone to the Museum for the Skagit Steele Unveiling Exhibit on July 26th, 2025 from 11am to 3pm, and also thanked public works for the temporary signal to HWY 20 and Reed St.

Councilmember Diamond shared concerns made by community members about the high-density housing in the area along with congestion on HWY 20 and Cook Rd.

Councilmember Diamond has also received requests to have the bridge and walkway restored between the Janicki field and McDonald's, linking the backroad to the field.

Councilmember Henderson was happy to see the Township Rd overlay regarding the sidewalks, curb and gutter repairs that are being completed.

Councilmember Henderson mentioned he knows of certain organizations that would still be interested in applying for the RFP House Bill 1590 fund. Councilmember Henderson requested the Council to extend the RFP House Bill 1590 to August 31, 2025.

The motion to extend the application process for House Bill 1590 RFP to August 31, 2025, was made by Councilmember Henderson and seconded by Councilmember Lavacca. Motion carried (7-0).

Councilmember Cocke shared he had attended the 40th anniversary of the Senior Center.

Councilmember Cocke announced he had heard there would be a concert at Northern State for History Day on July 26, 2025, and also requested a tour of the new roundabout.

Councilmember Burns mentioned concerned community members about speeding on Railroad Ave, and would love to see police officers out riding bikes, so the community can get to know the police staff.

Councilmember Burns asked about the temporary signal and this question was addressed by the Public Works Director, Bill Bullock, who announced it was a rental.

Councilmember Lavacca spoke about interest in future sponsorship for the skateboard challenge, and requested the yard waste recycling center advertise cost of disposal to provide consistency.

Councilmember Lavacca seeks information regarding the shooting that took place at the Community Center.

Mayor Julia Johnson thanked the City Council for extending the Community Grant Program, then mentioned the Senior Center's 40th anniversary.

Mayor Johnson announced Human Resources Analyst Interviews to take place on July 30, 2025, and spoke about the Special Events discussion that was to take place at a study work session on Sept 3, 2025.

i. Proclamation(s)

j. Public Hearing(s)

k. Public Comments

Please keep comments to three minutes or less. Because State law prohibits the use of city facilities for the purpose of supporting or opposing a campaign or ballot proposition, we respectfully request that public comment not make reference to such matters.

Written comments will be accepted by letter or via email at finance@sedro-woolley.gov Attn: 'Public Comment' until 4:30pm the day before the meeting.

A public comment period was held.

Nora Peterson and Chester Allhouse made a public comment.

l. Unfinished Business

m. New Business

1. Stormwater Management Plan Update - 10-Year Financial Plan – 1st Read

Karyn Johnson presented a PowerPoint about the Stormwater Management Plan Update and the 10-year Financial Plan.

No action taken.

2. Comprehensive Plan - Capital Facilities Element

Donna Keeler shared The Comprehensive Plan focusing on the Capital Facilities Element and the Parks and Recreation Element.

No action was taken.

3. Comprehensive Plan - Parks & Recreation Element

n. Information Only Items

1. June 2025 Permit Report

o. Executive Session

p. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:42pm.

ATTEST:

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Kelly Kohnken, City Clerk

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Julia Johnson

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Julia Johnson, Mayor