



Regular Meeting of the City Council
November 12, 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, Joe Burns, Sarah Diamond, Allan Henderson, and Nick Lavacca. Councilmember Loy was absent.

d. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Councilmember Burns and seconded by Councilmember Lavacca to approve the agenda with the addition of an executive session. Motion carried (6-0).

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 Lavacca and seconded by Councilmember Cocke to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried (6-0).

1. Minutes - Regular City Council Meeting - October 8, 2025
2. Minutes - Regular City Council Meeting - October 22, 2025
3. Check Register - Regular
4. Lodging Tax Advisory Committee - Volunteer Appointment
5. 2025-220-ILA - Skagit County - Renewal of Public Works Cooperative
6. Resolution 1169-25 - Appointment of Brock Stiles as Municipal Court Judge
2025-221-PS - Brock Stiles, Stiles and Lehr Inc - Judicial Services
7. 2025-22-PS - Zachor, Stock & Krepps Inc., P.S. - Extending Prosecuting Attorney Services
8. 2025-223-ILA - Multi-Jurisdictional Drug, Gang, and Firearms Task Force - Amend Contract

f. Introduction of Special Guests and Presentation

g. City Administrator Report

1. Envisio Update and Next Steps

City Administrator Charlie Bush shared the Envisio updates and next steps.

No action was taken.

h. Councilmember and Mayor's Report

Councilmember Loy was absent.

Councilmember Kesti and Councilmember Diamond had nothing to report.

Councilmember Henderson encouraged council to check up on Councilmember Loy.

Councilmember Cocke shared information discussed at the Planning and Business Committee Meeting. He then thanked all the veterans who have served.

Councilmember Cocke gave a huge shout-out to the Police, and he thinks the red tile roofs at Olmsted Park look great!

Councilmember Burns thanked all veterans who have served and said it was awesome to see the progress of Olmsted Park.

Councilmember Lavacca said the streets of Township are looking great and then mentioned the Sedro-Woolley Flower Shop is looking better.

Mayor Julia Johnson thanked all veterans who have served, and mentioned her thoughts and prayers go out to Councilmember Loy and family.

Mayor Julia Johnson announced the Housing Task Force meeting is scheduled for November 18, 2025, at 6:00pm and on November 20, 2025, the Housing Policy Forum at the Sedro-Woolley Community Center., and also mentioned an open house in Mount Vernon by the YMCA.

i. Proclamation(s)

j. 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.

k. Public Hearing(s)

1. Ordinance 2108-25 - 2026 Property Tax - 2nd Read

Finance Director Kelly Kohnken presented Ordinance 2108-25, 2026 Property Tax.

Motion made by Councilmember Lavacca and seconded by Councilmember Diamond to approve the 0% property tax version of Ordinance 2108-25. Motion carried (6-0).

2. Ordinance 2109-25 - 2026 Budget Amendment No. 1 - 1st Read

Finance Director Kelly Kohnken presented Ordinance 2109-25, 2026 Budget Amendment No. 1.

No action was taken.

l. Unfinished Business

m. New Business

1. Easement - Township Street (SR 9) and John Liner Rd/McGarigle Rd Intersection Improvements

Public Works Director Bill Bullock shared the Easement, Township Street (SR 9) and John Liner Rd / McGargile Rd Intersection Improvements with the council.

Motion made by Councilmember Henderson and seconded by Councilmember Cocke to authorize Mayor Julia Johnson, or designee, to sign a deed and dedication for public right of way and sight-distance easements for two city-owned parcels at SR9 / Township Street & John Liner / McGargile Rd. Motion carried (6-0).

2. 2025-225-CN and 2025-226-CN - Olmsted Park and Riverfront Park Caregivers - 1st Read

Public Works Director Bill Bullock presented Contracts 2025-225-CN and 2025-226-CN, Olmsted Park and Riverfront Park Caregivers.

Motion made by Councilmember Burns and seconded by Councilmember Lavacca to execute park caretaker agreements 2025-225-CN and 2025-226-CN for Olmsred Park and Riverfront Park. Motion carried (6-0).

3. Stormwater Management Plan - Revised Rate Proposal

Public Works Director Bill Bullock presented the Stormwater Management Plan with the revised rate proposal.

Motion made by Councilmember Henderson and seconded by Councilmember Kesti to adopt the proposed stormwater rate increase of 5% as outlined in the Stormwater Capital Funding Scenarios: Option 4 as presented to include hiring an additional stormwater maintenance employee in 2026. Motion carried (6-0).

n. Information Only Items

o. Executive Session

At 7:06 pm, Mayor Julia announced the City Council, City Attorney Nikkii Thompson, and City Administrator Charlie Bush, would be in executive session to discuss current or potential litigation (RCW 42.30.110(i)) for 10 minutes, to return at 7:16pm.

The executive session was extended by 10 minutes to return at 7:26pm.

The executive session was extended once more by 10 minutes to return at 7:36pm.

At 7:37pm, the council returned. No decision was made.

p. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:37pm.

ATTEST:

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Kelly Kohnken

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Kelly Kohnken, City Clerk

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Julia Johnson

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Julia Johnson, Mayor