



**CITY OF WASHOUGAL
CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
Monday, April 27, 2026
7:00 PM**

MEETING INFORMATION

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83304157453>

I. INVOCATION - Mike Hansen

II. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stuebe called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor David Stuebe, Councilmembers David Fritz, Ernie Suggs, Michelle Wagner, Marty Swofford, David Szyplinski

Student Representative: Jake Larzalere

Absent: Councilmember Tia Robertson

Councilmember Suggs : Unanimous consent to excuse Councilmember Tia Robertson

***No Objections**

Staff:

David Scott, City Manager

Joe Walsh, Community Services & Strategy Director (ZOOM)

Robert Zeinemann, City Attorney (ZOOM)

Daniel Layer, Finance Director/City Clerk

Amanda Goulding, Assistant City Clerk & Accounting Specialist

V. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

The following items will be passed by a single motion to approve all listed actions and resolutions. There will be no discussion on these items unless requested by Council. If discussion is requested, the item will be moved from the Consent Agenda and considered separately - after the motion has been made and passed to approve the remaining items.

Councilmember Suggs: Unanimous consent to approve the consent agenda as read.
***No Objections**

- A. Workshop Minutes of April 13, 2026**
- B. Council Minutes of April 13, 2026**
- C. Payroll Claims of April 24, 2026**
- D. Accounts Payable of April 9–23 & April Credit Funds**
- E. Agenda Bill #25-2026**
Community Services & Strategy: *Arts Commission Funding Request*

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

None.

IX. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. CITY MANAGER

David Scott gave his report during Workshop.

B. MAYOR

Mayor Stuebe reported attending the *Ending Community Homelessness Organization* (ECHO) meeting, which included regional police chiefs, fire chiefs, and county officials discussing homeless camp response efforts, authority, and respectful enforcement practices. The Mayor noted the meeting provided valuable collaboration and regional leadership discussion regarding homelessness challenges and potential solutions.

Mayor Stuebe also shared plans to attend a regional conference in Fort Worth focused on infrastructure, affordable housing, and homelessness issues, where municipal leaders from across the country will share strategies and solutions.

He reflected on the ongoing progress within the City, including downtown development activity, the library project, Port of Camas-Washougal projects, and continued work on the wastewater treatment project. Mayor Stuebe also highlighted the importance of collaboration among regional cities and announced participation in an upcoming small city mayor workshop to discuss shared municipal issues and solutions.

C. CITY COUNCIL

Student Representative Larzalere announced upcoming drama productions at Washougal High School during the first and second weekends of May, along with an upcoming band concert.

Councilmember Wagner reported she will be attending the branding consultant event at Kascadia Brewery tomorrow, coordinated by Michelle Loftus. Updates were also provided regarding the Parks Advisory Board meeting, which focused on exploring ways to better support county parks.

She shared that the America250 United States ground mural project at Hathaway School, noting her appreciation that project coordination had come together successfully. Councilmember Wagner noted that the Parks Board announced openings for two additional board members.

She expected that information regarding multiple volunteer board and commission openings would be posted in the coming weeks and encouraged interested residents to apply.

Councilmember Szyplinski spoke about all the work going into the Citizen's Academy, noting strong community involvement. He will be traveling to Texas, assisting with his son's military relocation for an upcoming Navy deployment.

Councilmember Szyplinski spoke about the Community Chest regarding its programs and future strategy sessions to support fundraising efforts. Appreciation was expressed for the recent Hometown Heroes event and the opportunity to recognize community volunteers.

Councilmember Swofford stated that East County Little League is looking for additional volunteer umpires for the current season. It was noted that games occur throughout the week for minors and majors divisions, and that training and background checks are provided by the league. Interested individuals were

encouraged to contact Eric Zimmerman for additional information.

He reported that he would attend the Community Development meeting on Wednesday and that a chamber charity golf tournament would take place on Monday.

Councilmember Suggs noted the attendance during the first week of the Citizens Academy, noting strong community interest and participation of approximately 27 attendees. A letter of appreciation was also received from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints thanking the City for recognition given to missionaries.

Councilmember Suggs stated he attended the Camas-Washougal Chamber of Commerce luncheon that included a presentation regarding the library project and community anticipation for construction to begin. He also shared about the upcoming Stride event, with registration currently open and continued strong community participation and fundraising support highlighted.

He discussed a potential sale of the RV park facility on Addy Street and the possible impacts on residents within that community.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Stuebe adjourned the meeting at 7:27 PM.

UPCOMING MEETINGS: Annual Planning Session — Saturday, May 2nd 2026 at 9 AM.

David Stuebe

Mayor

Daniel Loyer

City Clerk