



**CITY OF WASHOUGAL
CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
Monday, September 8, 2025
5:00 PM**

MEETING INFORMATION

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88546198386>

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Fritz called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Pro Tem David Fritz, Councilmembers Julie Russell & Tia Robertson, ErnieSuggs (via ZOOM)
Student Representative: Jake Larzalere

Absent: Mayor David Stuebe, Councilmembers Molly Coston & Michelle Wagner

Staff:

David Scott, City Manager
Joe Walsh, Strategic Initiatives Manager (via ZOOM)
Trevor Evers, Director of Public Works
Daniel Layer, Finance Director/City Clerk
Monie Holmes, Assistant Finance Director (ZOOM)
Amanda Goulding, Assistant City Clerk & Accounting Specialist
Scott Collins, PW City Engineer/Deputy Director Public Works

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

David Sampson Jr. commented on the *Shepherd Road Pedestrian Connection Project* (access to Sandy Swimming Hole Waterfront Park), stating that most of the Shepherd Road residents do not agree with the project, as he believes there is no benefit to the homeowners on Shepherd Road.

David said this project would only benefit those that come to the Sandy Swimming Hole for recreation as this brings in more traffic and non-Washougal residents on the already busy 2-lane road. He is concerned the project would also raise taxes. He requested the project be shut down.

David McDonald echoed the same sentiment as David Sampson Jr. He stated the Sandy Swimming Hole is dangerous as there are, apparently, sewage dumps/septic

drainage systems that drain into that area. He has done real-estate showings of properties within the Sandy Swimming Hole radius and mentioned that interested parties commented on the trash.

David also raised his concern regarding the traffic and streets that "dump" into the Shepherd Road residential areas and excessive speeding.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Public Works: *Update to WMC 12.20 Sidewalk Construction, Reconstruction & Repair* - Scott Collins

Scott Collins presented an *Update to the WMC 12.20 Sidewalk Construction, Reconstruction & Repair*:

- Overview
 - Updating Code 12.20
 - Process Outline of Sidewalk Replacement
- Existing Process
- Issues & Problems
- Proposed Process
- Assistance Application

Discussion ensued with Council & Scott Collins.

B. Public Works: *Complete Street Ordinance* - Scott Collins

Scott Collins presented the *Complete Street Ordinance*:

- Purpose of Complete Streets
- Policy/Ordinance: What the Complete Streets Policy Includes
- Exceptions
- Design Criteria
- Performance Measures

Scott Collins stated that this policy/ordinance is mainly capturing and compiling all of street's code & standards.

Discussion ensued with Council & Scott Collins.

C. Public Works: *Neighborhood Traffic Calming Policy* - Scott Collins

Scott Collins presented the *Neighborhood Traffic Calming Policy*:

- Primary Purpose of Traffic Calming
- Current Policy
- Goals
- Eligibility Requirements
- The New Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program (NTCP) Process
- Ranking Projects
- Traffic Calming Measures
- Future Development

Scott Collins stated a key component to having a neighborhood traffic-calming policy is that it would establish a framework and create more transparency with residents by documenting the process.

Discussion ensued throughout the presentation with Council and Scott Collins.

D. Finance: *2026 Business License Update* - Daniel Layer

Daniel Layer presented the *2026 Business License Update*:

- Out-of-City Business License Model
- January 1, 2026 Updates/Changes
- Next Steps

Discussion ensued with Council and Daniel Layer.

V. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. CITY MANAGER

David Scott deferred.

B. MAYOR

Mayor Pro Tem Fritz deferred.

C. CITY COUNCIL

Councilmembers Russell, Robertson and Suggs deferred.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Temp Fritz adjourned the meeting at 6:01 PM.

UPCOMING MEETINGS: Monday, September 22, 2025 - Workshop at 5 PM & Council at 7 PM.

David Stuebe

Mayor

Daniel Loyer

City Clerk