

**City of Stanwood
Regular Meeting of the City Council
July 23, 2026 | 7:00 PM**

Minutes

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Sid Roberts called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember Hicks led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

City Clerk Lisa Sokolik called the roll with the following Councilmembers Present: Dani Gaumond, Earl Cowan, Darren Robb, Robert Hicks, Steve Shepro, Andreena Bergman, and Jeff Wheatley. The meeting was quorate.

Also present: City Administrator Shawn Smith, Finance Director David Hammond, Community Development Director Patricia Love, Public Works Director Kevin Hushagen, City Attorney Nikki Thompson, Police Sgt. Karl Gilje, and City Clerk Lisa Sokolik.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Mayor Roberts requested to amend the agenda by adding item 14. Executive Session to discuss pending litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) and move item 11. New Business before the Public Hearing.

*Motion by Councilmember Robb, second by Councilmember Shepro to approve the agenda as amended. **Motion carried unanimously.***

4. Presentations

5. Public Comments

No public comments.

6. Staff/Department Reports

a. **Finance Report - 2nd Quarter 2026**

7. Council Committee Reports

a. **Economic Development Board Minutes - March 20, 2026**

b. **Planning Commission Minutes - June 8, 2026**

8. Consent Agenda

a. **Approve Vouchers and Payroll**

b. **Approve City Council Meeting Minutes - July 9, 2026**

Motion by Councilmember Gaumond, second by Councilmember Wheatley to approve consent agenda items A. approve vouchers and payroll checks, and B. approve July 9, 2026, City Council Meeting Minutes.

Motion carried unanimously.

9. Unfinished Business

10. Public Hearing

a. Approve First Reading of Ordinance 1564 Permitted Use Matrix and Development Standards and Ordinance 1565 Adult Entertainment Business License Requirements

Mayor Roberts opened the Public Hearing at 7:11 p.m. The Public Hearing will remain open until August 2nd.

Director Love discussed the proposed updates to the Stanwood Municipal Code chapters on Permitted Use and Development Standards, and Adult Entertainment.

Public Testimony:

Name	Address	Comment
Tim Schmitt	26910 92 nd Ave Stanwood, WA	Several concerns regarding Ordinance 1565 Adult Entertainment Business License Requirements.

Councilmembers made comments and asked Love questions.

Motion by Councilmember Shepro, second by Councilmember Robb to approve the first reading of Ordinance 1564 Permitted Use Matrix and Development Standards as provided in attachment 1.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilmember Shepro, second by Councilmember Robb to approve the first reading of Ordinance 1565 Adult Entertainment Business Licenses as provided in attachment 2. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

11. New Business

a. Approve the Mayor's Appointments to the Historic Preservation Commission

Motion by Councilmember Bergman, second by Councilmember Hicks to approve the appointment of Tim Pearce, Elizabeth Callaghan, Joan Andrews, Melissa Overbeck, and Meri McCormick to the City of Stanwood's Historic Preservation Commission. ***Motion carried unanimously.***

12. Public Closing Comments

No closing public comments.

13. Executive/Legislative Reports

a. Mayor's Report

- Visited Franklin, Tennessee, a 200-year-old town which has been historically preserved, so happy that Stanwood now has a Historical Committee. Several towns down south also have a creative district.
- Will be walking in the Stanwood Rotary Fair Parade.
- The next council meeting and council workshop is August 13th. The topic for the council workshop is the Capital Improvement Plan.

b. City Administrator's Report

Upcoming events:

- Stanwood Fair and the Parade - July 31 - August 2nd
- National Night Out - Tuesday, August 4
- Movies in the Park (Zootopia 2) - August 7
- Snohomish County and Green Sheen Paint will host a paint recycling event at the high school - August 8, 9am - 3pm
- Skagit Bay Dike ground-breaking ceremony - August 30
The City would like to thank Congressman Larson and Snohomish County Councilmember Nehring for the financial support for this project. Larson and Nehring are planning on attending the ceremony.
- Unfortunate news about No Meat Factory's announcement to close. City staff worked hard to help the company be successful so they could stay open.

c. Councilmember's Reports/Questions

- Councilmember Robb thanked the Historical Committee members for volunteering.
- Councilmember Cowan thanked staff.

14. Recess to Executive Session

a. To Discuss Litigation per RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i)

At 8:05 p.m., the Mayor, Council, City Administrator Smith, Finance Director Hammond, City Attorney Thompson, and Police Sgt. Gilje recessed to Executive Session for a 20-minute discussion on city litigation in accordance with RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i), no action was taken. The regular city council meeting reconvened at 8:25 p.m.

15. Adjourn

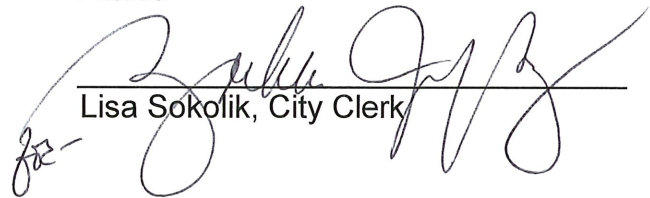
There being no further business before the Council, and hearing no objection to adjournment, Mayor Roberts adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

City of Stanwood



Sid Roberts, Mayor

Attest:



Lisa Sokolik, City Clerk