

**City of Kenmore
City Council Meeting
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 8, 2026**

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PRESENT:

Councilmembers: Mayor Nigel Herbig
Deputy Mayor Valerie Sasson
Councilmember Melanie O’Cain
Councilmember Joe Marshall
Councilmember Jon Culver
Councilmember Eric Adman
Councilmember Nathan Loutsis

Staff: Assistant City Manager/Community Development Director Debbie Bent
City Attorney Dawn Reitan
City Clerk Scott Passey
Co-Clerk Shannon Tipple-Leen
Interim Assistant to the City Manager Michelle Kang
Maurita Colburn, Recreation Program Supervisor
John Vicente, Engineering Director

Speaking Guests: Sheri Baker, KWAC President

Public Comments Speaking Guests:
Phyllis Finley, Kenmore resident
Stacey Valenzuela, Kenmore resident
Juilana Pooley, Kenmore resident
David Dorrian, Kenmore resident
Tracy Banaszynski, Kenmore resident

CALL SPECIAL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Herbig called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mayor Herbig read the Land Acknowledgement Honoring First Peoples.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Herbig led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL

The agenda was approved as presented.

RECOGNITION

A. Deputy City Manager Stephanie Lucash and her Years of Service to the Kenmore Community

Assistant City Manager Debbie Bent recognized Stephanie Lucash’s many contributions to the City of Kenmore.

WHERE’S THE FUN?

Interim Assistant to the City Manager Michelle Kang highlighted activities related to Pride Month, the Kenmore Farmers’ Market, and Hank Heron.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The City Council received comments from the public.

Timestamped link here: <https://youtu.be/fkAL2t09Zls?t=1548>

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approve City Council Special Meeting Minutes of Monday, May 11, 2026

B. Approve City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of Monday, May 18, 2026

C. Approve the following Voucher Certification and Approval:

- Total Check #s 58235 through 58299 totaling \$862,286.29
- Total Payroll/Taxes/Flexible Spending/Retirement & Health Savings Account Electronic Deposits Dated 05/01/2026 in the amount totaling \$310,426.63
- Total EFT Payment #s 1974 through 1981 total \$41,716.53
- Total Wire Transfers totaling \$ 0

D. Approve the following Voucher Certification and Approval:

- Total Check #s 58300 through 58362 totaling \$672,385.96
- Total Payroll/Taxes/Flexible Spending/Retirement & Health Savings Account Electronic Deposits Dated 05/15/2025 in the amount totaling \$322,533.37
- Total EFT Payment #s 1982 through 1985 total \$228,312.00
- Total Wire Transfers totaling \$ 1,090,826.94

- E. Approve and authorize the Engineering Director to sign the approve Right of Use Agreements with Puget Sound Energy to install vehicle charging stations in the Right of Way.
- F. Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Agreement with the Northshore Utility District to Construct the District’s Water Main Replacement Project
- G. Adopt Resolution 26-449 to reduce the speed limit on NE 193rd St between 61st Ave NE and 55th Ave NE from 30 MPH to 25 MPH

MOTION: Approve the consent agenda.
Moved by Culver; seconded by Loutsis.
VOTE: Consent Agenda was approved UNANIMOUSLY.

PRESENTATION

A) Kenmore Waterfront Activities Center (KWAC) Annual Report, *presented by Maurita Colburn, Recreation Program Supervisor, and Sheri Baker, KWAC President*

Recreation Program Supervisor Maurita Colburn introduced KWAC President Sheri Baker, who reported that the all-volunteer Kenmore Waterfront Activities Center expanded inclusive paddling programs, scholarships, and community events while strengthening its role as a local and international ambassador for Kenmore.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A) Public Hearing on Code Amendments to Kenmore Municipal Code (KMC) Title 18 Zoning and Title 19 Land Use Procedures related to Emergency Shelter, Transitional Housing, Emergency Housing and Permanent Supportive Housing (STEP) Housing Regulations, *presented by Debbie Bent, Assistant City Manager/Community Development Director, and Nick Chen, Kimley-Horn Consultants*

Assistant City Manager/Community Development Director Debbie Bent and Consultant Nick Chen provided a brief staff report outlining provisions of the draft STEP ordinance.

Mayor Herbig opened the Public Hearing at approximately 7:56 pm.
The City Council provided the opportunity for testimony.
Timestamped link here: <https://youtu.be/fkAL2t09ZIs?t=3688>
Mayor Herbig closed the Public Hearing at approximately 8:06 pm.

MOTION: Strike STEP Housing Ordinance Footnote #7/recommendation that projects over 100 Units hold one community meeting within fourteen (14) days of the City's acceptance of a completed permit application in coordination with city staff.

Moved by Culver; seconded by Herbig.

VOTE: 6 Yes – O’Cain, Adman, Loutsis, Culver, Sasson, Herbig; 1 No – Marshall.

MOTION PASSES.

MOTION: Strike STEP Housing Ordinance Section 18.77.070(A) item numbers 3, 4, and 6.

Moved by Sasson; seconded by Herbig.

VOTE: 6 Yes – Loutsis, Marshall, O’Cain, Adman, Sasson, Herbig; 1 No – Culver.

MOTION PASSES.

MOTION: Accept language of the STEP Housing Ordinance as amended.

VOTE: 6 Yes – O’Cain, Adman, Loutsis, Culver, Sasson, Herbig; 1 No – Marshall.

MOTION PASSES.

RECESS

At 8:54 PM, Mayor Herbig called for a 10-minute recess. The meeting was reconvened at approximately 9:06 PM.

B) Public Hearing on Proposed Resolution No. 26-448 Amending the City of Kenmore 2027-2032 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP), *presented by John Vicente, Engineering Director*

Engineering Director John Vicente outlined the proposed projects included in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and responded to Council questions related to prioritization and ranking.

Mayor Herbig opened the Public Hearing at approximately 9:32 pm.

The City Council provided the opportunity for testimony; there were no sign-ups.

Timestamped link here: <https://youtu.be/fkAL2t09Zls?t=9462>

Mayor Herbig closed the Public Hearing at approximately 9:32 pm.

BUSINESS AGENDA

- A, Adoption of Proposed Resolution No. 26-448 Amending the City of Kenmore 2027-2032 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP), *presented by John Vicente, Engineering Director*

MOTION: Adopt Resolution No. 26-448 Amending the City of Kenmore 2027-2032 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP)

Moved by Culver; seconded by O’Cain.

VOTE: 7 Yes –Loutsis, Culver, Marshall, O’Cain, Adman, Sasson, Herbig; 0 No.

MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

STAFF REPORTS

- A) Other – Debbie Bent

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS & COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Herbig adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:48 PM.



Nigel Herbig, Mayor



Scott Passey, City Clerk









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