

City Council Meeting

April 21, 2026
6:00 PM



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Minutes

Location: The physical location of the Council Meeting was at the Bonney Lake Justice & Municipal Center, 9002 Main Street East, Bonney Lake, Washington. The public was also given the option to call in or attend virtually the Council Meeting.

I. Call to Order

Mayor Carter, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Carter led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Roll Call

City Clerk Sadie Schaneman called the roll. In addition to Mayor Carter, elected officials attending were Deputy Mayor Dan Swatman, Councilmember Angela Baldwin, Councilmember Aaron Davis, Councilmember Gwendolyn Fullerton, Councilmember Kerri Hubler and Councilmember Brittany Rock. Councilmember J. Kelly McClimans was in virtual attendance.

Staff members in attendance at the physical location were City Administrator John P. Vodopich, Police Chief Mark Berry, Administrative Services Director Chuck McEwen, Public Services Director Jason Sullivan, City Clerk Sadie Schaneman and Records & Disclosure Coordinator Kandice Besaw.

No staff member(s) were in virtual attendance.

C. Agenda Modifications

None.

II. Council Committee Reports

Councilmember Hubler

South Sound 911: Reported on her appointment as chair for the Charter and Bylaws review committee. The Charter committee discussed the bylaws, while the SS911 board discussed the distribution of the funds and the delay of the single radio system. Chief Berry advised that while the decision rests with the Council, it may be prudent to hold funds until new costing model fees are finalized.

Councilmember Fullerton

Pierce Sound Regional Council (PSRC): Provided a recap of the legislative session, federal budget updates, and Puget Sound Clean Air Agency (PSCAA) manufacturing industrial centers.

Pierce County Regional Council (PCRC): Reviewed the Sheriff’s report and the Pierce County Executive’s brief on the new 1% sales tax.

Joint Advisory Committee (JAC): Discussed the water/sewer treatment plant budget and updates.

City Administrator Vodopich:

Community Summit: Reminded members that Tuesday the 31st is the annual Summit in the City of Summer.

III. Consent Agenda

Councilmember Baldwin moved to Approve Consent Agenda. Councilmember Fullerton seconded the motion.

Motion 7 – 0.

- A. **Approval of Minutes:** April 07, 2026 City Council Meeting.

- B. **AB26-31** - A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Amending The City’s Fee Schedule To Update The Allan Yorke Park Vehicle Parking Fees, Add Concealed Pistol License Fees, And Clarifying Annual Boat Parking Pass Fees, And Repealing Resolution Number 3297.

IV. Full Council Issues

None.

V. Audience Comments

For efficient use of city resources, comments will be a short summary and not verbatim. An audio recording is available on the [state digital archives](#) and [public portal website](#) if you are needing a complete review of comments.

Cynthia Blaker, Expressed concern regarding a neighbor hoarding vehicles in Cedarview, noting the apparent lack of city code to address the issue.

Jim Grob, Highlighted the importance of maintaining the city’s status as a "Tree City" and the general value of local flora.

Dan Decker, Spoke regarding the Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA) and the constitutional right to public testimony.

Christine Nhan, Representative from PSE provided information regarding battery energy storage system (BESS) batteries.

VI. Council Open Discussion

Councilmember Baldwin:

Online Presence: Discussed the council's online public image and encouraged members to review third-party sites. Proposed increasing the amount of information available to the public. The City Clerk will resend documentation for members to provide updated personal profiles.

Commission: Inquired about the differences between the Tree Board and the Planning Commission, as well as the application process for vacancies.

Fee Schedule: Raised questions regarding AB26-31, specifically concerning fee structures for alarm systems and Metro Animal Services. Staff provided clarification on both items.

Deputy Mayor Swatman:

Charter Review Committee: Provided an update and topics included: Potential limits on public comment periods; explained how they allow 2 minutes and only items on agenda for comments.

Council Procedures: Explained to Council that when they are going to be absent, to please email the Deputy Mayor so they can make the main motion for excusal at the meeting.

Puget Sound Energy: Brought up and Inquired into the upcoming moratorium agenda. Public Services Director Sullivan clarified the process, while councilmember Baldwin and Fullerton discussed mining impacts, specifically shifting mining methods and associated human rights concerns.

Council member Davis:

Cedarview: Asked if there were any active code enforcement cases. Public Services Director Sullivan provided a briefing on the status and further defined the criteria for "public nuisance" designations.

Mayor Carter:

Events: Announced the Mount Rainier Soccer Club tournament at Kelly Farms (April 25–26) and the Growth Parade at Bonney Lake Elementary (April 27).

Sound Transit: Requested Council feedback on a proposed letter of advocacy to Executive Mello regarding keeping prior commitments.

Councilmember Fullerton:

Event: Noted that June and July will see activities related to the FIFA World Cup. Councilmember Baldwin commented on the associated risks of human trafficking and noted that organizations like Compassion Washington will be active in prevention efforts.

VII. Workshop Discussion Items

Minutes from the April 14, 2026 Meeting were approved.

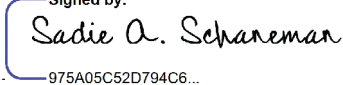
A. **Review of Minutes**: April 14, 2026, City Council Minutes

VIII. Executive/Closed Session

None.

IX. Adjournment

At 7:20 p.m. the Meeting was adjourned by Mayor Carter with the common consent of the City Council.

Signed by:

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Sadie A. Schaneman, MMC, City Clerk

Signed by:

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Terry Carter, Mayor

Items presented to Council at the April 21, 2026, Meeting for the record:

1. Cynthia Blaker – Photographs of vehicles on private property.
2. Jim Grob – Information on trees.
3. Dan Decker – Speech about OPMA.

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