

CITY OF GEORGE
STATE OF WASHINGTON
February 18, 2025

COUNCIL MEETING: Regular Meeting

PLACE: George Community Hall

PRESENT: Mayor Juan Villalpando, Council Member Brulee Hoskins, Council Member Kate Schooler, Council Member Debby Kooy (remote), Council Member Julia Schooler, Council Member Patty Neff, City Planner Alex Kovach, City Engineer Mike Meskimen; City Clerk Amy Grace; City Deputy Clerk Ana Rodriguez; City Public Works Superintendent Aaron Harwood; City Attorney Kait Schilling.

ABSENT: None

Mayor Juan Villalpando called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m., followed by the flag salute.

Mayor Villalpando opened the Public Hearing on the 2025-2030 Preliminary Six Year Transportation Program at 7:01 p.m. Mayor Villalpando asked the public if there was any questions or comments. There was no public comment. Mayor Villalpando closed the Public Hearing at 7:02 p.m.

City Clerk Amy Grace requested to add 9D; Resolution 2025-336. A Resolution adopting the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program for the period 2025 to 2030 to the agenda.

Council Member Julia Schooler made a motion to approve the Agenda as amended. Council Member Kate Schooler seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Citizens wishing to speak under items 8 or 9 identified themselves as follows: none

Public comment: Roxanne Southwood from NCWL introduced the new Librarian Jeana Rushton.

Council Member Julia Schooler made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and approval of vouchers #19032-19033 in the amount of \$395.47; vouchers #19035-19070 in the amount of \$58,611.95 and electronic checks in the amount of \$27,688.43. Council Member Patty Neff seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

City Public Works Superintendent presented to Council three quotes obtained for dog kennel purchase. Council discussion followed.

Council Member Julia Schooler made a motion to approve the purchase of a 3-kennel dog kennel quote number 14555 in the amount of \$11,813.82. Council Member Patty Neff seconded. Motion passed 5-0

City Engineer, Mike Meskimen presented to Council the 100% Grant funded West Montmorency Multiuse Path TIB Consultant Agreement with an amount not to exceed \$28,550 and recommends the City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to sign

Council Member Julia Schooler made a motion to approve the West Montmorency Multiuse Path TIB Consultant Agreement in the amount of \$28,550 . Council Member Debby Kooy seconded.

Motion passed 5-0.

City Clerk Amy Grace presented to the Council the combined Lodging Tax Fund Grant Application, with clean-up/deposit/permit fees and George Business License requirements waivers, for the George Community Hall (including the Georgettes) Fourth of July and Bluegrass related events.

Council Member Kate Schooler made a motion to approve the Lodging Tax Funds for the George Community Hall (including the Georgettes) as presented. Council Member Patty Neff seconded. Motion passed 4-0 (abstentions from Council Member Debby Kooy)

City Attorney Kait Schilling presented HB 1446 on behalf of the Mayor. Council discussion followed.

Council Member Kate Schooler made a motion to authorize the Mayor to write a letter of support for HB 1446. Council Member Patty Neff seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

City Clerk Amy Grace presented Resolution 2025-336 A Resolution adopting the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program for the period 2025 to 2030.

Council Member Julia Schooler made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign Resolution 2025-336 A Resolution adopting the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program for the period 2025 to 2030. Council Member Kate Schooler seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

City planner Alex Kovach announced to the Council that there would be a meeting with the CEO and Rep for LED Trails EV charging stations on Tuesday February 25th at 2:00pm at City Hall. Council Member Patty Neff and Council Member Debby Kooy will be attending.

Council Member Julia Schooler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Kate Schooler seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Approved by the City Council at
an Open Public Meeting the
_____ of March, 2025.

Juan Villalpando, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amy Grace, City Clerk-Treasurer