

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AGENDA**

**September 2, 2026
7:00 PM
Civic Center**

The Granite City Council will hold its meeting in person. A Zoom link may be requested by contacting the City Clerk by email: Darla.Wilkins@ci.granite-falls.wa.us, no later than 3:00 PM on the day of the meeting. Virtual access is provided for listening purposes only. Public comment will not be accepted via Zoom. City residents who wish to provide comment may email the City Clerk with their name, address, and the message they would like to have read into the record, and/or distributed to the City Council no later than 3:00 PM on the day of the meeting.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. FLAG SALUTE**
- 3. ROLL CALL**
- 4. CONSENT AGENDA**
 - 4.a. AB 130-2026 Approval of August 5, 2026 Minutes**
 - 4.b. AB 131-2026 Approval of Work Session Minutes of August 12, 2026.**
 - 4.c. AB 132-2026 Approval of August 19, 2026 Minutes**
 - 4.d. AB 133-2026 Approval of September 2, 2026 Claims Checks #416518 through 416552 totaling \$609,001.51**
 - 4.e. AB 134-2026 Approval of August 1, 2026, through August 15, 2026, Payroll Claims Consisting of Twenty-Two EFT's totaling \$98,648.77**
- 5. STAFF REPORTS**
 - 5.a. City Clerk**
 - 5.b. Capitol Path Consulting Performance Summary June–July 2026**
 - 5.c. Planning**
 - 5.d. Public Works**
 - 5.e. Passports Dashboard**
 - 5.f. State of the City - 2026 Chamber of Commerce Presentation**

- 5.g. City Manager Staff Report
- 5.h. Purchasing and Claims Report - January 1 through August 26, 2026 - Resolution 2026-03
- 5.i. Consultant Police Chief
- 6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS/RECOGNITION OF VISITORS-NON-ACTION ITEMS**
(The public is encouraged to submit written comments prior to the meeting by emailing them directly to the city clerk at: darla.wilkins@ci.granite-falls.wa.us; and should be submitted no later than 5PM. Public comment speakers can sign up prior to the meeting, or wait for the public comment section of the meeting to be open by the presiding officer. Individual comments shall be limited to three minutes. Group comments shall be limited to five minutes).
- 7. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - 7.a. **AB 135-2026 Granite Falls Prevention Coalition Update**
Jared Pierce
 - 7.b. **AB 136-2026 Indiana / Kentucky Avenue LID Project Update**
- 8. **CURRENT BUSINESS**
- 9. **MAYOR'S COMMENT (5 MINUTES)**
- 10. **COUNCIL COMMENTS (15 MINUTES)**
- 11. **CITY MANAGER (5 MINUTES)**
- 12. **ADJOURNMENT**

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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

Subject: AB 130-2026 Approval of August 5, 2026 Minutes **Originating Dept.:** City Clerk

Approval(s): City Clerk

Action Recommended: Approval of Consent Agenda.

Meeting Date: September 2, 2026

Date Submitted: 8/5/2026

Exhibit(s):

1. 08-05-2026 Minutes

Budgeted Amount:
BARS Code:

Summary Statement:

Approval of Regular Council Meeting Minutes of August 5, 2026.

Background:

Recommended Motion:

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**August 5, 2026
7:00 PM
Civic Center**

City Council	Mayor/Council Member Matthew Hartman Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs Council Member Steven Glenn Council Member Tom FitzGerald Council Member Bruce Straughn
City Staff	City Clerk Darla Wilkins City Manager Jeff Balentine Deputy City Manager Brent Kirk Public Works Director Charles White
Consultants	Consultant Police Chief Tom Dalton Consultant City Attorney Emily Guildner

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Matthew Hartman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Matthew Hartman led the Council, Staff and Audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

3. ROLL CALL

City Clerk Darla Wilkins verbally called out the Council Member's names and took note of the meeting attendance.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Fred Cruger & Mohannah Goravanchi unveiled the new City of Granite Falls sign

located in the Civic Center that they worked on together.

MOTION:	Motion to approve Consent Agenda.
MOVER:	Council Member Steven Glenn
SECONDER:	Council Member Bruce Straughn
AYES:	Mayor/Council Member Matthew Hartman, Council Member Tom FitzGerald, Council Member Steven Glenn, Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs, Council Member Bruce Straughn
NAYS:	None
RESULT:	Passed

4.a. AB 115-2026 Approval of July 15, 2026 Minutes

4.b. AB 116-2026 Approval of August 5, 2026 Claims Checks #415428 through 416478 totaling \$941,923.10

4.c. AB 117-2026 Approval of July 1, 2026, through July 15, 2026, Payroll Claims Checks Consisting of Twenty-Two EFT's totaling \$102,653.83

5. STAFF REPORTS

5.a. Passports

City Manager Jeff Balentine gave an update on the passport office, including revenues and audit inspection.

5.b. City Manager through July 27, 2026

City Manager Jeff Balentine commented on the following:

- July 2026 Financial Reports
- Purchasing
- Flock Presentation (on meeting of August 19th)

5.c. Jan 1 - Jul 15 2026 Purchasing / Claims Report (per Resolution 2026-03)

City Manager Jeff Balentine included this in his items above.

5.d. City Clerk

City Clerk Darla Wilkins had nothing additional to add to her report.

5.e. Consultant Police Chief

Consultant Police Chief Tom Dalton commented on the following:

- Reviewed awards for Deputy Nunemaker and Paramedic Hall
- Show N' Shine Event
- National Night Out Event

5.f. Public Works

Public Works Director Charles White commented on the following:

- Light pole damaged
- Waste Management contract options
- Industrial Stormwater permit
- Snohomish County meeting today (lidar)
- Water testing requirement updates
- N. Indiana had a water quality issue
- Tractor Supply store project review
- Indiana/Kentucky LID project
- RFB's
- Union/Kentucky project
- Drinking water rehab
- Tree lighting

5.g. Planning

Community Development Director Amy Hess was absent from the meeting.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/RECOGNITION OF VISITORS-NON-ACTION ITEMS

Sondra Novak, Granite Falls, provided comments.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.a. AB 118-2026 Consideration to approve the Professional Services Proposal with RWD for Architectural and Engineering Services related

to Legion Park development.

MOTION:	Motion that the vacant property North of the police station be included in the Scope of Work Evaluation and include that the City Manager can negotiate reasonable cost changes to this change.
MOVER:	Council Member Bruce Straughn
SECONDER:	Council Member Steven Glenn
AYES:	Mayor/Council Member Matthew Hartman, Council Member Tom FitzGerald, Council Member Steven Glenn, Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs, Council Member Bruce Straughn
NAYS:	None
RESULT:	Passed

7.b. AB 119-2026 Presentation - H1 2026 Financial Report / City of Granite Falls Strategic Plan 2027–2036

City Manager Jeff Balentine gave a financial update on the first half of 2026. His presentation included the following slides:

Part 1 - H1 2026 Financial Report

- Citywide Position
- General Fund - Revenue
- General Fund - Revenue Trends
- General Fund - Expenditures
- General Fund - Monthly Activity
- General Fund - 2026 Outlook
- Utility Funds
- Capital & Special Revenue Funds

Part 2 - Strategic Plan & Goals 2027-2036

- Approach
- Strategic Plan 2027-2036
- Financial Foundation
- Capital Strategy
- Goal 2 - Reliable Utilities
- Goals 3 & 4 - Downtown, Economy & Parks

- Goal 5 - Safe & Connected Transportation
- Goal 6 - Implementation
- Accountability
- Council Action

7.c. AB 120-2026 Consideration to Approve the Services Agreement with Idemia Identity & Security USA, LLC (WA Universal Enrollment Services)

MOTION:	Motion to authorize the City Manager to execute the Services Agreement with Idemia Identity & Security USA, LLC, substantially in the form presented.
MOVER:	Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs
SECONDER:	Council Member Steven Glenn
AYES:	Mayor/Council Member Matthew Hartman, Council Member Tom FitzGerald, Council Member Steven Glenn, Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs, Council Member Bruce Straughn
NAYS:	None
RESULT:	Passed

7.d. AB 121-2026 Consideration to Approve the Letter of Support for Councilmember Nate Nehring's Amendment to the Snohomish County Public Safety Enhancement Sales Tax (PSEST) Ordinance

MOTION:	Motion to authorize the Mayor to sign and transmit, on behalf of the City Council, the letter to Snohomish County Council supporting Council Member Nate Nehring's amendment to the proposed Public Safety Enhancement Sales Tax (PSEST) ordinance.
MOVER:	Council Member Steven Glenn
SECONDER:	Council Member Bruce Straughn
AYES:	Mayor/Council Member Matthew Hartman, Council Member Tom FitzGerald, Council Member Steven Glenn, Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs, Council Member Bruce Straughn
NAYS:	None
RESULT:	Passed

7.e. AB 122-2026 Consideration to Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish County for Municipal Road and Street Services - Term Extension

MOTION:	Motion to authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Interlocal Agreement between Snohomish County and the City of Granite Falls for Municipal Road and Street Services, extending the term of the Agreement through December 31, 2029.
MOVER:	Council Member Bruce Straughn
SECONDER:	Council Member Steven Glenn
AYES:	Mayor/Council Member Matthew Hartman, Council Member Tom FitzGerald, Council Member Steven Glenn, Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs, Council Member Bruce Straughn
NAYS:	None
RESULT:	Passed

7.f. AB 123-2026 Consideration to Approve the Boys & Girls Club Galena Street Property Lease for Parking Lot Site Improvements

MOTION:	Motion to authorize the City Manager to execute the Lease Agreement with the Boys & Girls Club of Snohomish County for the City-owned parcel at the northeast corner of Galena Street, for construction and operation of a public parking lot and children's play area.
MOVER:	Council Member Tom FitzGerald
SECONDER:	Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs
AYES:	Mayor/Council Member Matthew Hartman, Council Member Tom FitzGerald, Council Member Steven Glenn, Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs, Council Member Bruce Straughn
NAYS:	None
RESULT:	Passed

8. CURRENT BUSINESS

There were no Current Business items.

9. MAYOR'S COMMENT (5 MINUTES)

Mayor Matthew Hartman gave an update on some of the election results in our area.

10. COUNCIL COMMENTS (15 MINUTES)

Mayor Pro Tem / Council Member David Griggs commented on the following:

- Met Darwin Smith (says hi to everyone)
- Show 'N Shine event
- Purple Heart Ceremony (shout out to staff)

Council Member Tom FitzGerald commented on the following:

- National Night Out event
- Library Levee passing
- Show 'N Shine event
- Will be gone September 2nd (please excuse him)

Council Member Steven Glenn commented on the following:

- National Night Out event
- Frightening Falls event (rumors)
- Tax increases (police)
- Event funding

Council Member Bruce Straughn commented on the air quality due to the forest fires.

11. CITY MANAGER (5 MINUTES)

City Manager Jeff Balentine commented on the following:

- Thanked Thom Graafstra (retiring)
- Sheriff Contract
- Chapter 2.08 updates
- Passport audit
- Twic updates
- Joey Harmon (icc certification-Residential)

- Grants bulletin
- Show 'N Shine event
- National Night Out event
- Purple Heart Ceremony (Friday at noon)
- Statewide emergency & burn ban
- Smoke & heat conditions/warnings
- Election updates
- Snohomish County TBD (public hearing)
- Transportation road updates

12. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

City Clerk Darla Wilkins, MMC

Mayor Matthew Hartman



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

Subject: AB 131-2026 Approval of Work Session Minutes of August 12, 2026.

Originating Dept.: City Clerk

Approval(s): City Clerk

Action Recommended:

Meeting Date: September 2, 2026

Date Submitted: 8/12/2026

Exhibit(s):

1. 08-12-2026 Minutes

Budgeted Amount:

BARS Code:

Summary Statement:

Approval of Work Session Minutes of August 12, 2026.

Background:

Recommended Motion:

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**August 12, 2026
7:00 PM
Civic Center**

City Council		Mayor/Council Member Matthew Hartman Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs Council Member Steven Glenn Council Member Tom FitzGerald Council Member Bruce Straughn
City Staff		City Clerk Darla Wilkins City Manager Jeff Balentine
Consultants		Consultant City Attorney Emily Guildner

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem David Griggs called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Pro Tem David Griggs led the Council, Staff and Audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

3. ROLL CALL

City Clerk Darla Wilkins verbally called out the Council Member's names and took note of the meeting attendance.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.a. Council Interference RCW Presentation Consultant City Attorney Emily Guildner

Consultant City Attorney Emily Guildner gave a presentation on City Council Roles and Responsibilities.

4.b. Discussion - GFMC Chapter 2.08 (City Council) review of draft amendments and Council direction

City Manager Jeff Balentine reviewed the proposed changes to Section 2.08 of the Granite Falls Municipal Code and asked for clarification on the following items prior to the scheduled public hearing on August 19, 2026.

- Review the redline draft of Chapter 2.08 GFMC prepared by staff and the city attorney in response to Council direction given on July 1, 2026;
- Resolve, or give direction on, the four policy choices that remain open: the regular meeting start time, the written-testimony deadline, the treatment of remote participation on quasi-judicial matters, and whether any change to the committees subsection is desired;
- Provide any further direction to staff on the draft; and
- Confirm whether the draft should be advanced to a public hearing on August 19, 2026, with consideration of adopting Ordinance No. 1082-2026 to follow.

5. CURRENT BUSINESS

There were no Current Business items to discuss.

6. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

City Clerk Darla Wilkins, MMC

Mayor Matthew Hartman



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

Subject: AB 132-2026 Approval of August 19, 2026 Minutes **Originating Dept.:** City Clerk

Approval(s): City Clerk

Action Recommended:

Meeting Date: September 2, 2026

Date Submitted: 8/19/2026

Exhibit(s):

1. 08-19-2026 Minutes

Budgeted Amount:

BARS Code:

Summary Statement:

The Minutes are for the Regular Council Meeting of August 19, 2026.

Background:

Recommended Motion:

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**August 19, 2026
7:00 PM
Civic Center**

City Council	Mayor/Council Member Matthew Hartman Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs Council Member Steven Glenn Council Member Tom FitzGerald Council Member Bruce Straughn
City Staff	City Clerk Darla Wilkins City Manager Jeff Balentine Planning Director Amy Hess
Consultants	Consultant Police Chief Tom Dalton Consultant City Attorney Emily Guildner

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Matthew Hartman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Matthew Hartman led the Council, Staff and Audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

3. ROLL CALL

City Clerk Darla Wilkins called out the Council Member's names and took note of the meeting attendance.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION:	Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.
MOVER:	Council Member Steven Glenn
SECONDER:	Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs
AYES:	Mayor/Council Member Matthew Hartman, Council Member Tom FitzGerald, Council Member Steven Glenn, Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs, Council Member Bruce Straughn
NAYS:	None
RESULT:	Passed

4.a. AB 124-2026 Approval of August 6, 2026, Claims Checks #416480 through 416513 and One EFT totaling \$138,783.15

4.b. AB 125-2026 Approval of July 16, 2026, through July 31, 2026, Payroll Claims Checks #416425 through 416427 and Twenty-seven EFT's totaling \$167,620.41

5. STAFF REPORTS

5.a. Planning

Community Development Director Amy Hess commented on the following:

- Custom Stones project
- Park impact fee discussed has been pushed to the October 14th Work Session

5.b. Public Works

City Manager Jeff Balentine commented on the Public Works Report due to Public Works Director Charles White's absence. He highlighted the following:

- Ben Fidler was promoted to the Public Works Lead Position
- The fee schedule review has been moved to October 7th

5.c. City Manager Staff Report

City Manager Jeff Balentine commented on the following:

- Snohomish County Council passed the Justice Fund Sales Tax
- Purple Heart City (asked to help guide Sedro Woolley through the process)

5.d. City Clerk

City Clerk Darla Wilkins had no further comments to add to her report.

5.e. Consultant Police Chief

Consultant Police Chief Tom Dalton commented on the following:

- Current burglaries
- Current investigations
- Shift help coverage (due to military leave)
- Critical Incident Management 360 training (ended today)
- Introduced the following officers present for tonight's meeting: Bureau Chief Mike Martin, Lieutenant Todd Swenson, Watch Commander Matt Houghtaling

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS/RECOGNITION OF VISITORS-NON-ACTION ITEMS

Joah Wright, Granite Falls, provided comments.

City Clerk Darla Wilkins read a submission from Sondra Novak into the record.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.a. AB 126-2026 Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR) / Flock Safety Camera Program: Overview, SB 6002 (RCW) Compliance, Transparency, and Public Safety Benefits

City Manager Jeff Balentine, Bureau Chief Mike Martin, Lieutenant Todd Swenson and Consultant Police Chief Tom Dalton discussed the following Snohomish County Sheriff's Office ALPR/Flock Safety Camera Program, which included discussion on the following slide deck:

- SB 6002 (ALPR Law)
- State Registration
- Registration Requirements
- Policy Certification and Training
- Flock Training
- Geographic Restrictions
- Usage & Investigation Limits
- Data Retention & Privacy

- County ALPR Accountability Policy
- Audits
- Reporting
- What the Camera Captures
- The Same Image, Fully Enhanced
- Front Views: No Facial Recognition
- Organization Audit: May 1-August 14, 2026
- Network Audits Conducted Regularly
- Camera Placement: In and Out of Town Only
- When Data Becomes Evidence
- Proven, Life Saving

Mayor Matthew Hartman welcomed public comment during the discussion of this agenda item.

**7.b. AB 127-2026 Public Hearing 7:10 p.m., or soon thereafter,
Regarding proposed amendments to Chapter 2.08 GFMC, and
consideration of adoption of Ordinance No. 1082-2026**

MOTION:	Motion to open the Public Hearing.
MOVER:	Council Member Bruce Straughn
SECONDER:	Council Member Steven Glenn
AYES:	Mayor/Council Member Matthew Hartman, Council Member Tom FitzGerald, Council Member Steven Glenn, Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs, Council Member Bruce Straughn
NAYS:	None
RESULT:	Passed

City Clerk Darla Wilkins submitted the following list of exhibits into the hearing record:

Exhibit 1 - Public Hearing Notice dated August 7, 2026, 1 page

Exhibit 2 - Verification of Public Hearing Posting dated August 7, 2026, 1 page

Exhibit 3 - Affidavit of Publication from the Everett Daily Herald, dated August 7, 2026, 2 pages

Exhibit 4 - Ordinance No. 1082-2026 - Chapter 2.08 Redlines August 19, 2026 Public Hearing, 9 pages

Exhibit 5 - Ordinance No. 1082-2026 - Chapter 2.08 Amendments August 19, 2026 Updated, 14 pages

Exhibit 6 - GFMC 2.08-PH Presentation, 17 pages

City Manager Jeff Balentine briefly reviewed the proposed changes to Chapter 2.08 including the following items:

Change #1 - Public comment on New and Current Business items

Change #2 - Public Comment at work session meetings

Change #3 - Council-manager roles, order of business, special meetings

Change #4 - Vacancies, attendance, and mayor pro tempore

Change #5 - Meeting logistics: start time, location, accessibility

Change #6 - Appeals of the chair and comment time limit

Change #7 - Voting and how votes are recorded

Change #8 - Remote attendance replaces telephonic attendance

Change #9 - Expenses, compensation, eligibility, forms of address

Change #10 - To be decided tonight - Regular meeting start time

Mayor Hartman opened the Public Testimony portion of the Public Hearing.

Fred Cruger, Granite Falls, provided comments.

Mayor Hartman closed the Public Testimony portion of the Public Hearing.

MOTION:	Motion to close the Public Hearing.
MOVER:	Council Member Bruce Straughn
SECONDER:	Council Member Tom FitzGerald
AYES:	Mayor/Council Member Matthew Hartman, Council Member Tom FitzGerald, Council Member Steven Glenn, Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs, Council Member Bruce Straughn
NAYS:	None
RESULT:	Passed

MOTION:	Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 1082-2026, amending Chapter 2.08 GFMC as set forth in Exhibit A, with the regular meeting and regular work session start time set at 7:00 p.m., following the public hearing held this evening.
MOVER:	Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs
SECONDER:	Council Member Tom FitzGerald
AYES:	Mayor/Council Member Matthew Hartman, Council Member Tom FitzGerald, Council Member Steven Glenn, Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs, Council Member Bruce

	Straughn
NAYS:	None
RESULT:	Passed

- 7.c. **AB 128-2026 Consideration to Approve an Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish County for Surface Water Management Billing Services for the term January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2036**

MOTION:	Motion to authorize the City Manager to execute the Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish County for Surface Water Management Billing Services for the term January 1, 2027 through December 31, 2036.
MOVER:	Council Member Bruce Straughn
SECONDER:	Council Member Steven Glenn
AYES:	Mayor/Council Member Matthew Hartman, Council Member Tom FitzGerald, Council Member Steven Glenn, Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs, Council Member Bruce Straughn
NAYS:	None
RESULT:	Passed

- 7.d. **AB 129-2026 Consideration to Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish County concerning Building/Construction/Fire Plan Review and Code Inspection Services, extending the term through December 31, 2028 and adopting a new fee schedule for 2027 and 2028**

MOTION:	Motion to authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish County for building, construction and fire plan review and code inspection services, extending the term through December 31, 2028.
MOVER:	Council Member Steven Glenn
SECONDER:	Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs
AYES:	Mayor/Council Member Matthew Hartman, Council Member Tom FitzGerald, Council Member Steven Glenn, Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs, Council Member Bruce Straughn
NAYS:	None

RESULT:	Passed
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8. CURRENT BUSINESS

8.a. AB 052-2026 Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2026-11 Adoption of the City of Granite Falls Hazard Mitigation Plan Annex

MOTION:	Move to approve Resolution No. 2026-11, adopting the City of Granite Falls Hazard Mitigation Plan Annex.
MOVER:	Council Member Tom FitzGerald
SECONDER:	Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs
AYES:	Mayor/Council Member Matthew Hartman, Council Member Tom FitzGerald, Council Member Steven Glenn, Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member David Griggs, Council Member Bruce Straughn
NAYS:	None
RESULT:	Passed

9. MAYOR'S COMMENT (5 MINUTES)

Mayor Matthew Hartman commented on the following:

- Purple Heart Ceremony
- Attorney Tom Graafstra's retirement
- Election results

10. COUNCIL COMMENTS (15 MINUTES)

Mayor Pro Tem David Griggs commented on the following:

- Purple Heart Ceremony (thanked city council and staff)

Council Member Tom FitzGerald commented on the following:

- Community Coalition Backpack Drive (held yesterday)
- Purple Heart Ceremony
- State of the City (City Manager Jeff Balentine presenting)

Council Member Steve Glenn commented on the following:

- School
- Cemetery (memorial emblem ceremony for James Stearns) 11 a.m. this Saturday

Council Member Bruce Straughn commented on the following:

- Glad we do not have any budget issues like other cities
- Sorry he missed the Purple Heart Ceremony
- Press releases

11. CITY MANAGER (5 MINUTES)

City Manager Jeff Balentine commented on the following:

- Press Release templates
- Everett Herald (story on Purple Heart City) coming soon
- Cybersecurity for Wastewater Treatment Plant protection
- Legion Park presentation (tomorrow at 2 p.m.)
- ILA for Issaquah Jail Services
- Brycer (Fire/Life Workflow (attorney review)
- RCO Grant Trails Program
- Safety - Shooting target ban in effect
- Community Transit / Everett Transit looking to consolidate
- MRSC Insight (Metropolitan Parks District article)
- Buzz Inn Presentation (State of the City)

12. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

City Clerk Darla Wilkins, MMC

Mayor Matthew Hartman



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

Subject: AB 133-2026 Approval of September 2, 2026 Claims Checks #416518 through 416552 totaling \$609,001.51

Originating Dept.: City Manager

Approval(s): City Manager
Finance

Action Recommended: Approval of Consent Agenda.

Meeting Date: September 2, 2026

Date Submitted: 8/28/2026

Exhibit(s): None

Budgeted Amount: \$609,001.51

BARS Code:

001 Current Expense = \$32,893.45	101 Streets = \$572.68	103 Community Events, Arts, Recreation = \$1,659.10
303 Cif / Streets = \$151,345.75	401 Water = \$7,076.35	402 Cif / Water = \$100,057.69
403 Sewer = \$16,270.20	404 Cif / Sewer = \$14,569.90	405 Storm Drainage = \$2,792.71
406 Cif / Storm Drainage = \$280,484.81	630 Trust Agency = \$1,278.87	

Summary Statement:

Claims checks are for August 20, 2026 through September 2, 2026.

Background:

The Claims Checks are for the period of August 20, 2026 through September 2, 2026.

Recommended Motion:

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

Subject: AB 134-2026 Approval of August 1, 2026, through August 15, 2026, Payroll Claims Consisting of Twenty-Two EFT's totaling \$98,648.77

Originating Dept.: City Manager

Approval(s): City Manager
Finance

Action Recommended: Approval of Consent Agenda.

Meeting Date: September 2, 2026

Date Submitted: 8/13/2026

Exhibit(s): None

Budgeted Amount: \$98,648.77

BARS Code:

001 Current Expense = \$38,483.63	101 Streets = \$9,365.09	401 Water = \$16,800.13
403 Sewer = \$29,439.19	405 Storm Drainage = \$4,560.73	

Summary Statement:

The Payroll Claims are for the period of August 1, 2026 through August 15, 2026.

Background:

Recommended Motion:

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

Subject: City Clerk

Originating Dept.: City Clerk

Action Recommended: None - Informational Only

Approval(s): City Clerk

Meeting Date: September 2, 2026

Date Submitted: 8/26/2026

Exhibit(s):

1. 09-02-2026 City Clerk Report
2. 2026-2027 Council Outlook Schedule

Budgeted Amount:

BARS Code:

Summary Statement:

City Clerk Report for the September 2, 2026, City Council Meeting. This shows the following information:

- New Business License Applications
 - Update City Council Calendar
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Background:

Recommended Motion:



City Clerk Staff Report



September 2, 2026 •



Business Licenses Inside City Limits

Soaring Shores Therapy PLLC

422 Raybird Ave.

Granite Falls, WA 98252-8655

License activity: Therapy, counseling, business consulting, bookkeeping

Tree Frog Tree Care LLC

211 Meadow Lane

Granite Falls, WA 98252-8411

License activity: Tree removal service

Requim Distributions LLC

10509 Tailspar Ave.

Granite Falls, WA 98252-9071

License activity: FBA wholesale on Amazon

Business Licenses Outside City Limits

The Peanut Farm LLC

2021 237th Dr. NE

Granite Falls, WA 98252-9340

License activity: Antique and classic auto parts, auto parts-rebuilt, auto restoration, sales, manufacturing



 Crowder Construction LLC

 4506 117th Dr. SE

 Snohomish, WA 98290-5528

 License activity: Residential remodel

 Wiki LLC

 17507 Engebretsen Rd.

 Granite Falls, WA 98252-9609

 License activity: Construction

 Safebuilt Washington, LLC (Safebuilt, LLC)

 1715 114th Ave. SE, Ste., 204

 Bellevue, WA 98004-6906

 License activity: Building inspection code enforcement/planning services

 Sprague Pest Solutions (W.B. Sprague Company, Inc.)

 2725 Pacific Ave.

 Tacoma, WA 98402-2810

 License activity: Pest control services

 Mountain Loop Tutoring LLC

 12815 W. Macs Loop Rd.

 Granite Falls, WA 98252-9545

 License activity: Tutoring



2026–2027 Council Outlook Schedule | Revised 7/31/2026

Date	Cohort	Item #	Description
Wednesday, September 2, 2026	Council	1	Kentucky Ave. / Indiana Ave. LID Project Construction Update
		2	Granite Falls Prevention Coalition (Jared Pierce)
Regular		3	
Monday, September 14, 2026	Staff	1	Deadline: clerk's written request (call letter) to all department heads to file detailed estimates of 2027 revenues and expenditures (2nd Monday of September)
Wednesday, September 16, 2026	Council	1	Stormwater Rates Ordinance - Annual Review
		2	NPDES Phase II Permit Compliance / Annual Report
		3	2027 Fee Resolution - Preliminary Discussion (Utility & GFC Rates)
		4	Jannah Minnix - Library Update
Regular		5	Issaquah Jail ILA
Monday, September 28, 2026	Staff	1	Deadline: budget estimates from department heads submitted to the clerk (4th Monday of September)
Thursday, October 1, 2026	Staff	1	Clerk submits all department estimates to the City Manager, showing the full financial program
Monday, October 5, 2026	Staff	1	Deadline: City Manager provides the council with estimates of 2027 revenues from all sources for property tax levy setting (1st Monday of October)
Wednesday, October 7, 2026	Council	1	Public Hearing - 2027 Fee Resolution
		2	City Manager Revenue Estimates to Council for Property Tax Levy Setting
		3	Q3 2026 Financial Report to Council
Regular		4	Animal Control ILA Renewal (City of Everett)
Wednesday, October 14, 2026	Council	1	Draft Grant Policy Procedure Review
		2	Council Retreat/2027 Budget Objectives
		3	AI Policy Review
		4	Park Impact Fee Code Revisions (Amy)
Work Session		5	Miller Shingle Rezone/Map Amendment (Amy)
Wednesday, October 21, 2026	Council	1	Public Hearing - Revenue Sources Including Property Tax Increases
		2	Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP) Annual Review
Regular		3	Park Impact Fee Code Revisions (Public Hearing & Ordinance Adoption)
Monday, November 2, 2026	Staff	1	Deadline: City Manager files the preliminary 2027 budget and budget message with the council and clerk (at least 60 days before the fiscal year)
November 2 - 18	Staff	1	Clerk publishes notice that the preliminary budget is on file and notice of the final budget hearing, once a week for two consecutive weeks
Wednesday, November 4, 2026	Council	1	Public Hearing - Property Tax Levy / Levy Ordinance Adoption
		2	Public Hearing - 2027 Preliminary Budget (First Hearing)
		3	Code Changes / Planning Commission Update
Regular		4	
Wednesday, November 11, 2026	Council	1	2027 Preliminary Budget Review - Council Questions and Direction
		2	Establish City's 2027 Legislative Priorities
		3	Title 19 Amendments (Amy)
Work Session		4	
Wednesday, November 18, 2026	Council	1	Public Hearing - 2027 Final Budget (Second Hearing)
		2	Property Tax Levy Certification to County (Deadline Nov 30th)
		3	

Date	Cohort	Item #	Description
Regular		4	
	Staff	A	Copies of the proposed 2027 budget made available to the public (no later than Nov 20)
Monday, November 30, 2026	Staff	A	Deadline: certify the 2027 property tax levy to the Snohomish County legislative authority/assessor
Wednesday, December 2, 2026	Council	1	Public Hearing - Final Budget Adoption (Ordinance) - 2027 Budget
		2	2026 Budget Amendments (if needed - deadline December 31st)
		3	
		4	
Regular		5	
Wednesday, December 9, 2026	Council	1	Year-End Review - 2026 Goals and Accomplishments
		2	2027 Meeting Calendar Adoption / Organizational Planning
		3	
Work Session		4	
Wednesday, December 16, 2026	Staff	A	Transmit copies of the adopted 2028 budget to the State Auditor's Office and MRSC/AWC
Wednesday, January 6, 2027	Council	1	Board, Commission, and Committee Appointments - Annual Confirmation
		2	2027 Legislative Session Preview / Final 2027 Legislative Agenda (Session Vonvenes Jan 11)
		3	Waste Management - Annual Service Update
		4	
Regular		5	
Wednesday, January 13, 2027	Council	1	OPMA/PRA Refresher Training for Council and Staff - Discussion
		2	Department 2027 Work Plan and KPI Targets - Discussion
Work Session		3	
Wednesday, January 20, 2027	Council	1	Department Head Annual Reports / 2026 KPI Results
		2	Q4 2026 Financial Report fo Council (RCW 35.33.141)
		3	Snohomish County Sheriff - Annual Public Safety Report
Regular		4	
Wednesday, February 3, 2027	Council	1	Mid-Session Legislative Update
		2	Legion Park Project Update
Regular		3	
Wednesday, February 10, 2027	Council	1	Employee Handbook / Administrative Procedures - Annual Review Discussion
		2	2027 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Docket - Discussion
Work Session		3	Community Engagement Plan for 2027 - Discussion
Wednesday, February 17, 2027	Council	1	2027 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Docket (Resolution)
		2	Emergency Management Services ILA - Annual Review
Regular		3	Planning Commission Update / Code Amendments Status
Wednesday, March 3, 2027	Council	1	Vendor List / Small Public Works Roster - Annual Solicitation (RCW 39.04.155)
		2	Legion Park - Construction Contract Award / Project Update
Regular		3	
Wednesday, March 10, 2027	Council	1	New Revenue Strategy - Annual Check-In - TWIC/TSA
		2	Community Center Phased Plan
Work Session		3	2027 Grant Opportunities Review - Discussion (Preceded Mar 17 Action)
Wednesday, March 17, 2027	Council	1	Grant Applications
		2	Comprehensive Plan Amendments - Status Update / Hearing Schedule

Date	Cohort	Item #	Description
Regular		3	
Wednesday, April 7, 2027	Council	1	First 2027 Budget Amendment Ordinance (RCW 25.33.151)
		2	Q1 2027 Financial Report to Council (RCW 35.33.141)
Regular		3	WWTP / Sewer Capacity Status Update
Wednesday, April 14, 2027	Council	1	Utility Rates and GFC's - Pre-Budget Study Session - Discussion
		2	Asset Management / Capital Project Prioritization - Discussion
Work Session		3	2027 Election Year Requirements - PDC / Use of Public Facilities Overview
Wednesday, April 21, 2027	Council	1	Public Works Standards - Annual Update
		2	Facility Rental Policy
Regular		3	
Wednesday, May 5, 2027	Council	1	2026 Annual Financial Report Filing Status (Due to SAO May 30 - RCW 43.09.230)
		2	Annual Street Report Filing Status (Due to WSDOT May 31)
		3	Municipal Election - Candidate Filing Week Announcement (May 2027)
		4	
Regular		5	
Wednesday, May 12, 2027	Council	1	Capital Facilities Plan 2028-2033 - Annual Update - Discussion
		2	Draft Six-Year TIP/CIP 2028-2033 - Discussion (Preceded June Public Hearing)
Work Session		3	Stormwater Management Action Plan - Progress Discussion
Wednesday, May 19, 2027	Council	1	Resolution Setting Public Hearing - Six-Year TIP/CIP 2028-2033 (RCW 35.77.010)
		2	Sno-Isle Library Update
		3	
Regular		4	
Wednesday, June 2, 2027	Council	1	Community Coalition Update
		2	TIB Ongoing Project Review
		3	
Regular		4	
Wednesday, June 9, 2027	Council	1	Six-Year TIP / CIP Financial Discussion
		2	2028 Budget Pre-Planning - Revenue Outlook - Discussion
Work Session		3	TBD Annual Report Preview - Discussion
Wednesday, June 16, 2027	Council	1	Public Hearing and Adoption - Six-Year TIP/CIP 2028-2033 (File with WSDOT by Jul 1)
		2	TBD Annual Report (RCW 36.73.160(4))
		3	2027 Budget Mid-Year Outlook
Regular		4	
Wednesday, July 7, 2027	Council	1	Yakima County ILA - Annual Review
		2	Sewer GFC / Connection Charges Review
Regular		3	Post-Session Legislative Recap
Wednesday, July 14, 2027	Council	1	City Manager Performance Review Process - Discussion
		2	Mid-Year 2027 Budget Review - Discussion
Work Session		3	2028 Budget Objectives - Pre-Retreat Discussion
Wednesday, July 21, 2027	Council	1	Executive Session - City Manager Annual Performance Review (RCW 42.30.110(1)(g))
		2	TBD Rate Ordinance
		3	
Regular		4	

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Wednesday, August 4, 2027	Council	1	City Strategic Plan - Budget and Goals 2028-2037 Discussion
		2	Q2 2027 Financial Report to Council (RCW 35.33.141)
		3	Hazard Mitigation Plan - Annual Progress Report
Regular		4	
Wednesday, August 11, 2027	Council	1	2028 Budget - Revenue Forecast and Fee Resolution - Discussion
		2	Capital Facilities Plan - Final Pre-Budget Review - Discussion
Work Session		3	Council Retreat Agenda Planning - Discussion
Wednesday, August 18, 2027	Council	1	Sno-Isle Library Annual Update
		2	2028 Fee Resolution - Preliminary Discussion (Utility & GFC Rates)
		3	Stormwater Management Program Update
Regular		4	
Wednesday, September 1, 2027	Council	1	Public Hearing - 2028 Fee Resolution (Utility and GFC Rates)
		2	Budget Request Call Letter Issued to Department Heads
Regular		3	
Friday, September 3, 2027	Staff	1	Distribute budget worksheets and instructions to department heads ahead of the Council retreat
Wednesday, September 8, 2027	Council	1	Council Retreat / 2028 Budget Objectives
		2	AI Policy - Annual Review
Work Session		3	
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Regular		4	
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		2	Q3 2027 Financial Report to Council (RCW 25.33.141)
		3	Animal Control ILA Renewal (City of Everett)
Regular		4	
Wednesday, October 13, 2027	Council	1	2028 Preliminary Budget Review - Department Presentations
		2	Property Tax Levy Options - Discussion (Precedes Oct 20 Public Hearing)
Work Session		3	
Wednesday, October 20, 2027	Council	1	Public Hearing - Revenue Sources Including Property Tax Increases
		2	Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP) Annual Review
		3	
Regular		4	
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Regular	Council	2	Public Hearing - 2028 Preliminary Budget (First Hearing)
	Council	3	November 2, 2027 General Election - Results Update (Informational)
Wednesday, November 10, 2027	Council	1	2028 Preliminary Budget Review - Council Questions and Direction
Work Session	Council	2	Establish City's 2028 Legislative Priorities
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Regular	Council	2	Property Tax Levy Certification to County (Deadline Nov 30)
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Regular	Council	2	2027 Budget Amendments (if needed - deadline Dec 31)
	Council	3	
Wednesday, December 8, 2027	Council	1	Year-End Review - 2027 Goals and Accomplishments
Work Session	Council	2	2028 Meeting Calendar Adoption / Organizational Planning
	Council	3	Onboarding Plan for Newly Elected Councilmembers (Terms Begin Jan 2028)
Wednesday, December 15, 2027	Council	1	Final 2028 Budget Adoption (if not adopted Dec 2)
Regular	Council	2	Final 2027 Budget Amendments (Deadline Dec 31)
	Council	3	Oaths of Office - Newly Elected Officials (Terms Begin Jan 2028)
	Staff	A	Transmit copies of the adopted 2028 budget to the State Auditor's Office and MRSC/AWC



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

Subject: Capitol Path Consulting Performance Summary June–July 2026 **Originating Dept.:** City Clerk

Approval(s):

Action Recommended:

Meeting Date: September 2, 2026

Date Submitted:

Exhibit(s):

1. Granite Falls performance summary July 2026 Capitol Path Consulting

Budgeted Amount:

BARS Code:

Summary Statement:

Background:

Recommended Motion:

Capitol Path Consulting Performance Summary

To: City of Granite Falls

Reporting Period: June 20, 2026–July 31, 2026

Prepared by: Capitol Path Consulting

Overview

Capitol Path Consulting provided ongoing grant strategy, funding research, legislative and regulatory monitoring, and advisory support to the City of Granite Falls during the reporting period. Work focused on identifying and evaluating funding opportunities, supporting City leadership's understanding of state and federal funding processes, and advancing planning for the City's 2027 legislative and capital-budget priorities.

Key Accomplishments

Capitol Path Consulting completed and delivered a City Council presentation addressing the 2026 legislative session, federal funding priorities, the grant-development process, and strategic considerations for future state and federal advocacy. The presentation also supported discussion of prospective 2027 state capital-budget priorities and the potential development of a focused City legislative agenda.

The city received updated grant intelligence through the July and August Grants Bulletins and an updated Washington State Grants Programs Matrix. These resources incorporated current information and City capital-improvement priorities to assist staff in tracking relevant state and federal funding programs.

Capitol Path Consulting reviewed and advised the city on several funding opportunities affecting water resources, public safety, recreation, planning, and local government infrastructure. Opportunities considered included the Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART Enhancing Water Resources Program, DOJ COPS Community Policing Development programs, COPS Safer Outcomes programming, Washington Recreation and Conservation Office programs, and potential tools associated with ESHB 2015.

Several opportunities were determined not to warrant pursuit at this time based on program fit, project readiness, timing, competitiveness, available staff capacity, or alignment with current City priorities. This analysis helped the city focus resources on more viable funding and advocacy opportunities.

Legislative and Agency Support

Capitol Path Consulting monitored and provided guidance on relevant legislative and regulatory developments, including Growth Management Act rulemaking and the CR-101 process associated with recent housing, permitting, and land-use legislation. The city was also advised regarding an EPA Build America, Buy America waiver-status inquiry and Washington Recreation and Conservation Office planning and recreation-access programs.

In addition, Capitol Path Consulting communicated relevant process updates, funding announcements, comment periods, and webinars, including information related to the Washington State Department of Commerce Permit Review Process Update Grant.

Next Steps

Capitol Path Consulting will continue grant scouting, funding analysis, and legislative monitoring on behalf of the city. Near-term work will focus on refining potential 2027 legislative and state capital-budget priorities, identifying projects that are well positioned for future grant applications, and supporting development of a coordinated City advocacy and funding strategy.



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

Subject: Planning

Originating Dept.: Planning Department

Action Recommended:

Approval(s):

Meeting Date: September 2, 2026

Date Submitted:

Exhibit(s):

1. 09.02.2026 Planning Staff Report

Budgeted Amount:

BARS Code:

Summary Statement:

Background:

Recommended Motion:



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Amy Hess, Community Development Director

Department: Planning and Community Development

Date: September 2, 2026

Subject: Planning Department Update

1. UPDATES

Joey will be shadowing building inspectors in Lake Stevens to assist in his pursuit of additional certifications and becoming the City's in-house building inspector.

2. DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

Staff continues to process permits for mechanical, plumbing, and building permits.

The Moonbird Farms project (37-lot subdivision) on the south side of 100th, across from Suncrest Farm, has submitted their civil construction plans.

3. PERMITS ISSUED

Applicant Name	Address	Type of Work
Madison Dennis	107 S Granite	Sign Permit
GFHS	1201 100 th Street	Fire Permit
Marta Aquino	409 W Stanley	Mechanical to reconnect gas meter
Home Comfort Alliance	917 Huges	Furnace Replacement

4. LONG-RANGE PLANNING

The Park Impact fee code has been drafted and sent to Dept. of Commerce for the 60-day comment period. Expect to see the draft at the October 14 Work Session, with adoption anticipated in mid-late October.

Another round of Title 19 code clean-up will be presented in November. This will include the addition of a code section establishing standards for drive-thru businesses to ensure sites have sufficient room for queuing of vehicles and safe maneuvering, as well as general clean up.

5. POLICY AND PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS

Continuing research for a paper free permit and application process that is consistent with WA State Archive standards.

Working with Joey on code violations and enforcement processes.

6. UPCOMING PRIORITIES

Review/approval of the Park Impact Fee code. General code clean-up, and PRD standards. Staff will continue to work on items identified on the 2026 work plan through the remainder of the year. If there are any sections of code that you feel should be prioritized, please share those with me.

7. SUMMARY

We are seeing an increase in development activity as was expected upon lifting of the sewer moratorium. The department remains busy with application processing and review as well as permit/process updates and ensuring responsible growth in the City.



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

Subject: Public Works

Originating Dept.: Public Works

Action Recommended:

Approval(s):

Meeting Date: September 2, 2026

Date Submitted:

Exhibit(s):

1. Public Works Staff Report 9-2-2026

Budgeted Amount:

BARS Code:

Summary Statement:

Background:

Recommended Motion:

Public Works Staff Report

September 2, 2026

STORM

An Environmental Report Tracking System (ERTS) report was received on August 17, 2026. Although the latitude and longitude initially appeared to indicate a location within the city, the reported location was NF 4240. The site was believed to be outside city limits, which was later confirmed by the Washington State Department of Ecology.

The annual earthen dam inspection was completed in August and submitted to the Dam Safety Program Coordinator, as required each year. No deficiencies were identified.

The Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) completed the leaf-on LiDAR flyover. Staff received a project update on August 26, 2026, confirming that no issues or concerns were identified.

Next steps include:

- Completing LiDAR calibration and preliminary point-cloud quality assurance and quality control.
- Completing data classification and development of derivative products.
- Completing the survey report and associated accuracy assessments.
- Delivering the full countywide project by December 30, 2026.
- Continuing coordination with DNR throughout production and delivery.

SEWER

A private sewer overflow was reported in the 400 block of Alder Place and was determined to be related to a privately owned grinder pump. City staff responded to the issue and notified the property owner of their responsibility to repair the private sewer system and prevent any further overflows. A formal notice requiring corrective action was issued to the property owner.

In late July 2026, cyberattacks affected at least 39 publicly operated water and wastewater systems in Minnesota and Michigan, with additional incidents reported across at least five other states. Federal authorities have not released a complete nationwide facility count. Staff reached out to Gray and Osborne to understand the level of security associated with the new WWTP. The City's wastewater treatment facility has a strong cybersecurity posture. Unlike the systems identified in the recent federal advisory, the City's programmable logic controllers are not directly connected to or accessible from the internet. Security measures include a hardware firewall, network segmentation, protected subnets, and certificate-based VPN access. Remote access to the facility's control interface is routed through a secure Cloudflare connection requiring multifactor authentication. The firewall also automatically updates its list of known malicious IP addresses.

Based on the current configuration, an outside party would have significant difficulty accessing the facility's systems without an authorized user initiating the connection.

WATER

Staff is currently working on a draft fee resolution to update the City's fees and ensure they accurately reflect current costs and service requirements.

Public Works conducted nighttime water-main flushing in the Suncrest Farms area on August 23 and 24. Earlier this year, flushing was also completed in the area near the high school.

PROJECTS/ MISC.

Gray & Osborne (G&O) has completed the project plans and specifications. The documents have been provided to the Boys & Girls Club, which is working with Gaffney Construction, the project's general contractor, to select a contractor to complete the work.

Indiana/Kentucky LID

- Staff will present a project update.
- The latest progress estimate has been paid.
- The Payment Request Progress Report (PRPR) has been submitted for reimbursement.

Pedestrian Improvements (RRFBs)

- Staff spoke with the supplier on August 24, 2026. Due to a parts delay, the equipment is now expected to ship by September 7.

Union/Kentucky Overlay

- Water-system improvements are complete.
- Road-base grading on Kentucky Avenue and edge grinding were completed during the week of August 24, 2026.
- Paving is scheduled for August 31 through September 1, weather permitting.
- The latest progress estimate has been paid.

Legion Park

- Staff met on-site with RWD on August 26, 2026, for the initial project kickoff meeting. The meeting included team introductions and a collective overview of the project's scope, goals, and next steps.

Drinking Water Well Rehab.

- No new updates are available at this time. Staff continues working to address the preliminary questions.



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

Subject: Passports Dashboard

Originating Dept.: City Council

Action Recommended:

Approval(s):

Meeting Date: September 2, 2026

Date Submitted:

Exhibit(s):

1. COGF Passport PnL

Budgeted Amount:

BARS Code:

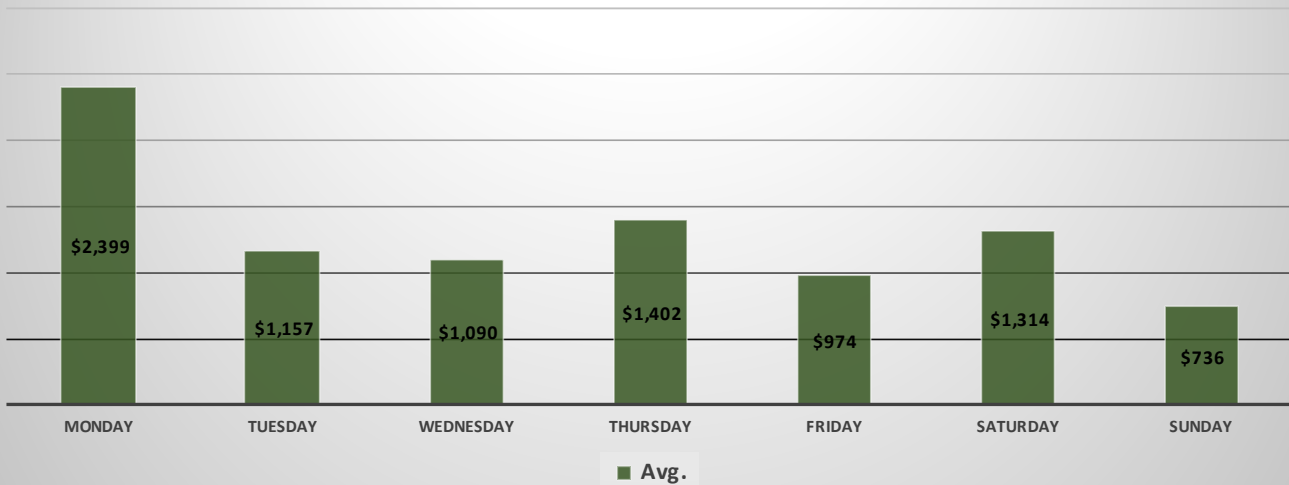
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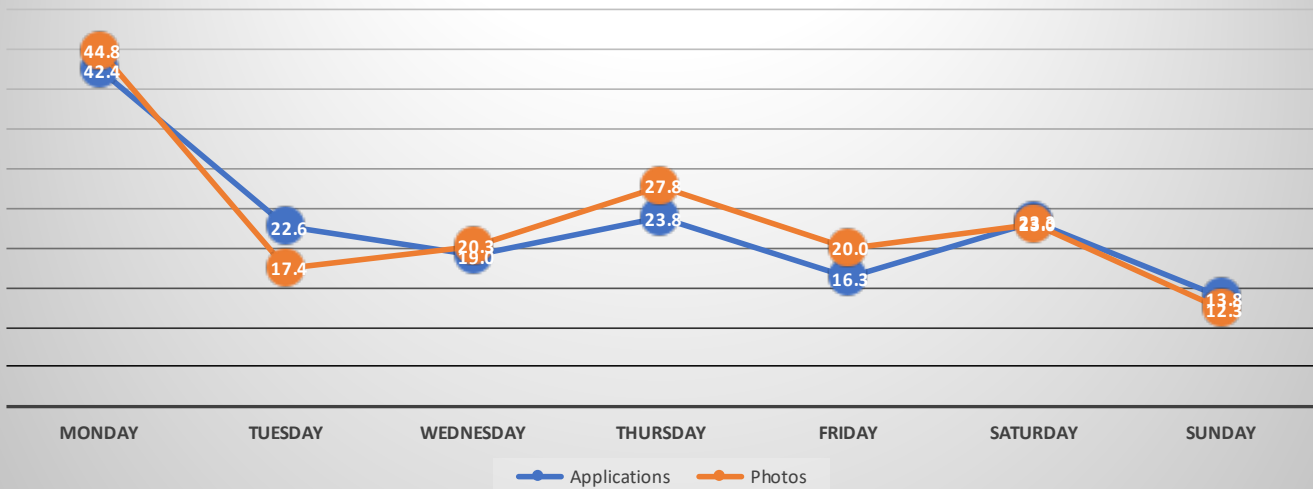
Recommended Motion:

As of Aug 26, 2026

30-day Statistics By Day



30-day Application & Photo Processing By Weekday



	Revenue since 6-6-2022	Revenue YTD 2026	Gross Margin YTD 2026	
Total Revenue (since 6-6-2022)	\$ 1,232,352.35	\$ 378,600.90	\$ 161,921.72	
30-day Annualized Revenue Trend	\$ 580,627.43		42.8%	
	Gross Margin	% Sales	Tracking v Budget	Revenue Change v prior year
Total Gross Margin (since 6-6-2022)	\$ 547,169.43	44.4%	\$ (78,992.56)	\$ (222,535.21)
30-day Annual Projected Gross Margin	\$ 248,325.33	42.8%	-18.5%	-37.0%
		# Processed	Last 30 day Avg. per day	Break Even
Total Passport Applications Processed		42,480	23.6	15.7
Total Passport Photos Taken		39,326	24.1	14.5



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

Subject: State of the City - 2026 Chamber of Commerce Presentation

Originating Dept.: City Council

Approval(s):

Action Recommended:

Meeting Date: September 2, 2026

Date Submitted:

Exhibit(s):

1. Granite Falls State of the City 2026

Budgeted Amount:

BARS Code:

Summary Statement:

Background:

Recommended Motion:



CITY OF
GRANITE FALLS

THURSDAY · AUGUST 27, 2026
7:30 AM · Buzz Inn Steakhouse

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE · IN THE LOOP

State of the City

2026

Jeff Balentine

City Manager, City of Granite Falls

215 South Granite Avenue · Granite Falls, WA 98252 · (360) 691-6441

This morning's conversation

Concrete numbers, real projects, and how the City's decisions show up for Granite Falls businesses.

01

State of City Finances

2026 mid-year snapshot & the 10-year plan

02

Infrastructure & Capital

Legion Park, Galena St., streets, water/sewer

03

Public Safety

Police ILA, jail costs, funding tradeoffs

04

Revenue & Funding Tools

The TBD package · protecting utility rate payers

05

Economic Development

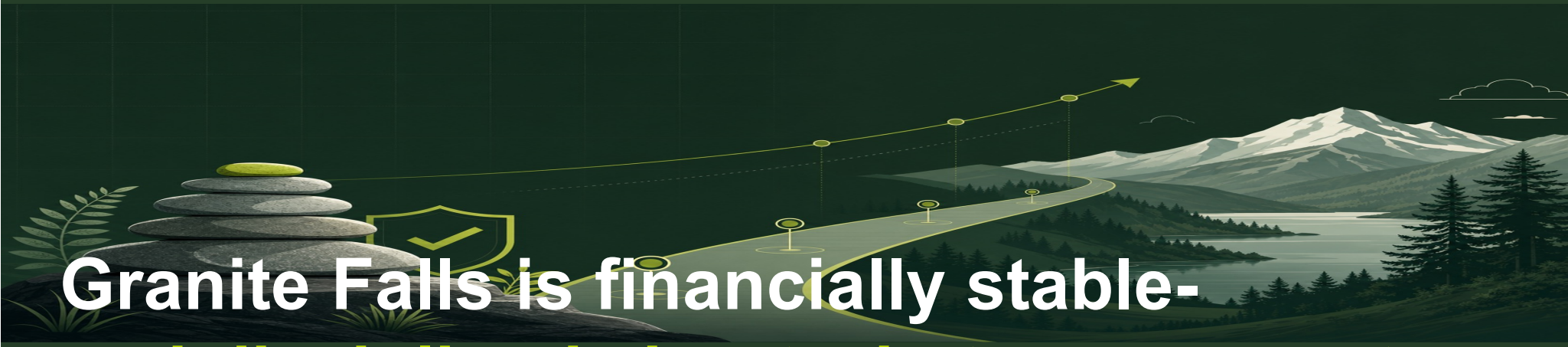
Permit trend, downtown, EV & plaza projects

06

Governance & Looking Ahead

Chapter 2.08, 2027 budget, waves through 2036

Grab breakfast · Ask questions · Bring your business perspective.



Granite Falls is financially stable- and disciplined about what comes next.

\$13.62M

Cash & investments
adjusted June 30, 2026

~\$2.5 mil.

General Fund operating
reserve (July forecast)

\$35.5M

10-year CIP/TIP · 30 projects
84% of transportation grant-funded

2026 mid-year: solid position, planned capital draw

Where things currently stand

Citywide liquidity: \$13.48M cash & investments across all funds at June 30; down \$0.96M from January 1 as planned capital dollars (purchase of the Community Center) were transferred in January.

Adjusted June ending balance: \$13.62M w/ \$1.07M available cash + \$12.55M investments (~92% invested).

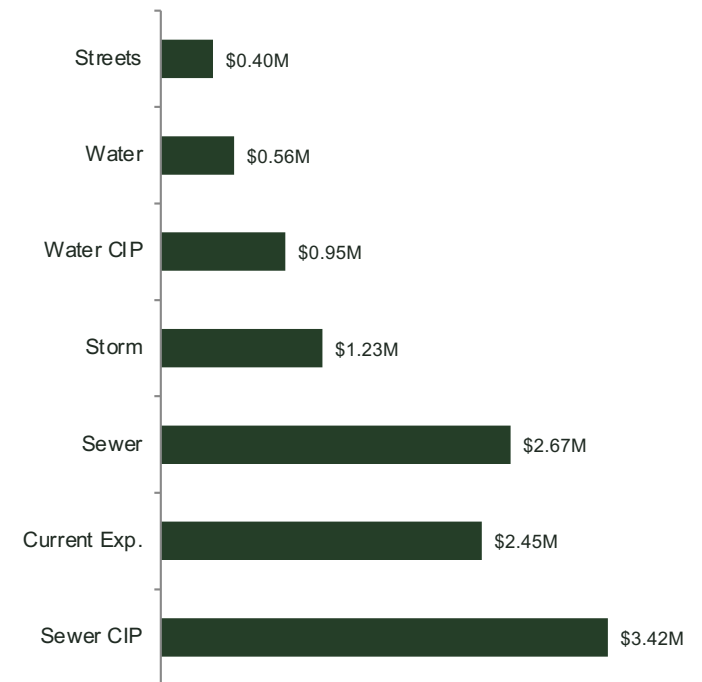
General Fund revenue \$1.76M (45.1% of \$3.90M budget); operating expenditures \$1.71M (47.2% of \$3.62M).

July forecast: General Fund year-end ~\$2.5M ~8 months of operating reserve.

Development pulse: permit and development fees running 4.9× last year through mid-year.

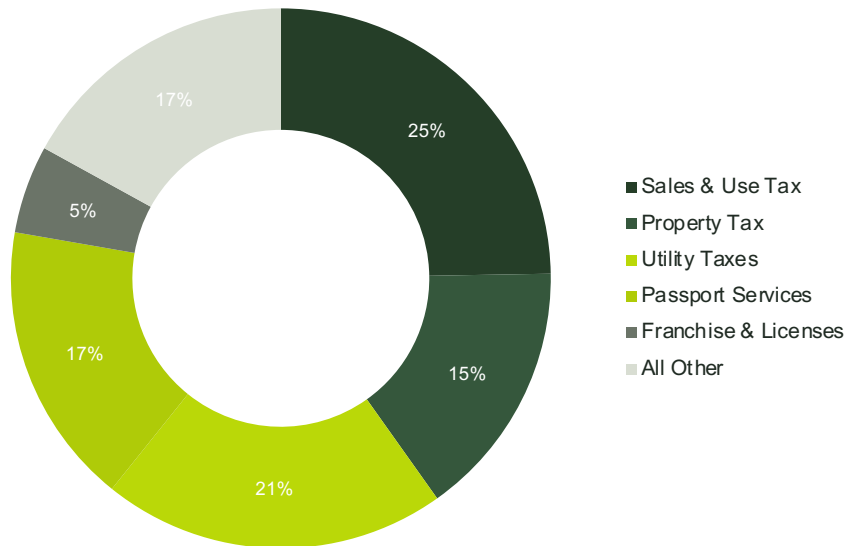
Noteworthy: passport and upcoming TWIC/TSA revenue, local sales tax, utility tax pacing (Decreased city utility tax from 20% to 10% - targeting 0% in ten years).

June 2026 fund balances (\$M)



Where General Fund dollars come from - and what's changing

2026 YTD Current Expense (General Fund) revenue mix



Sales & Use Tax

-12%

H1 vs 2025 - near 2024 pace; trend \$996K vs \$1.16M budget.

Permit & Dev Fees

4.9×

Above H1 2025 - strongest positive signal for local activity.

Utility Tax

-32%

Decreased city tax rate from 20% to 10%.

Passport Services - What's Next TWIC/TSA

-\$209K

vs budget - normalization from post-COVID surge.

The 10-year plan is a sequence - not a wish list

\$35.5M CIP/TIP

- 30 projects
- ~29% grant-funded
- Four implementation waves

BEFORE



AFTER



FY2027

\$9.9M

- Water well rehab
- Sewer & downtown stormwater
- Plaza/Veterans Memorial
- EV chargers
- Streets front-loaded while TIB eligible

FY2031

\$7.4M

- Watermain replacements (Menzel Lake, Wabash, Anderson)
- Pedestrian trails - new and improved
- Playground additions and upgrades
- South Alder sidewalks

FY2036

\$11.2M

- Public Works Facility (\$6.5M, fully local)
- Anderson-Prospect LID
- Stormwater system improvements

FY2041

\$4.5M

- Law-enforcement building expansion - sized to projected population growth

WHERE WE'RE GOING BY 2036

\$12.3M+

Projected General Fund balance

\$3.1M

Projected REET balance

\$5.2M

Grants secured over 10 yrs

100%

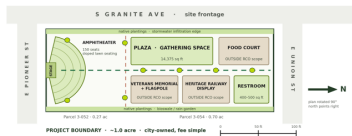
Utility funds positive every year

Turning grants and local match into visible projects

Legion Park

\$1.465M

Plaza & amphitheater · \$500K RCO grant · \$965K local match · design kickoff Aug 26, 2026.



Galena Parking Lot

\$463K

Boys & Girls Club lease (Aug 6, 2026 - Dec 31, 2036) · \$1/yr · free public parking retained.



Water Well Reha

\$2.90M

FY2027 · \$1.9M local / \$1.0M grant - the year's largest utility investment.



Sewer Program

\$3.53M

FY2027 · Burn Rd lift station, Noble Way, I/I study, system improvements.



Plaza & Veterans

\$1.50M

FY2027 · \$913K local / \$587K grant - downtown gathering anchor.



EV Fast Charger

\$345K

FY2027 · \$65K local / \$280K grant - Mountain Loop gateway signal.



TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

\$6.19M · 84% grant-funded

W. Stanley illumination · 100th St NE re-channelization · N. Granite Avenue overlay · annual overlays · pedestrian program · S. Alder Ave sidewalks.

Front-loaded into FY2027 while TIB small-city eligibility remains (before crossing the 5,000 population threshold).



Legion Park - downtown's next civic space

Funding stack



\$500K RCO grant (34%)

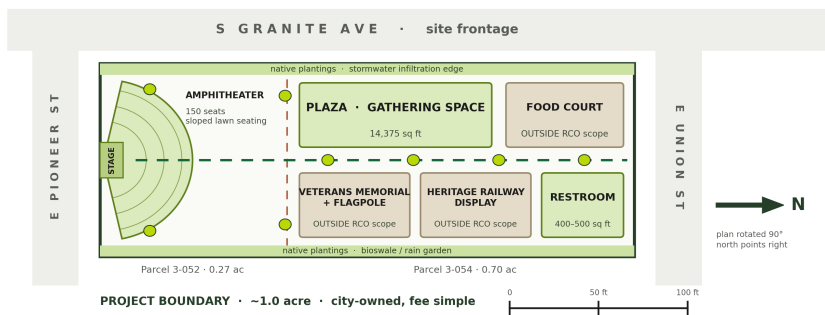
\$965K local match (66%)

\$1.465M total project cost

\$250K infrastructure package: ~450 ft ADA pathways, native landscaping, 8 pedestrian-scale lights, stormwater work, powerline burial, selective fencing, 6-7 signs.

Design contract: RWD Landscape Architects · \$162,959.90 base not-to-exceed for Tasks 1-10.

Outside RCO scope: Veterans memorial, heritage railway display, concessions area, flagpole.



Timeline & selection

Jul 13, 2026

RCO site visit - project ref 26-1653

Jul 15, 2026

Resolution 2026-10 authorizes WWRP Local Parks grant work

A/E selection

HBB 92 (rank 1) · RWD 91 · AHBL 88 · First Forty Feet & J.A. Brennan 85

Aug 12, 2026

RWD kickoff accepted

Aug 20, 2026

Formal Presentation to RCO

Next

Cultural resources · design · RCO Notice to Proceed before ground disturbance



Growth requires service levels that scale



Police Services ILA - Snohomish County

Redesign around measurable in-city services, growth-scaled staffing, fixed/transparent pricing, auditable shortfall remedies.

Negotiation posture: three Deputy FTEs · 50% minimum in-city staffing · 3-5 year term.

Controls: monthly in-city hours report · quarterly firm-fixed payments · verified shortfalls reduce payment.

Jail services - driving costs down

Comparing Snohomish County 2027 rates vs Issaquah, SCORE, Yakima, Lynnwood - normalized for stays, transport, and bed commitments.

Issaquah near-term lead: \$25 booking · \$157.50 guaranteed daily · 72 beds · \$94.50/hr transport.

Modeled savings at a 20-day stay: ~\$2,512 per inmate before transport vs Snohomish County.

Secured ILA with County Jail Services with Yakima.

The Transportation Benefit District (TBD) broadens who helps pay

Ordinances 1080-2026 and 1081-2026: retain the \$20 tab fee and add a 0.1% TBD sales/use tax. Target implementation Jan 1, 2027 after DOR notice.



\$77,557

Current \$20 vehicle tab revenue (annual)

\$104,142

0.1% TBD sales/use tax (annual)

\$181,699

Combined annual TBD revenue

Who contributes (working estimate)

60% outside city limits ≈ \$62,485 / yr

40% inside ≈ \$41,657 / yr

Why it matters for Granite Falls businesses: broadening the base reduces pressure on the General Fund to subsidize the Street Fund. Because the City uses a 10% utility tax on enterprise funds to support the General Fund, spreading the transportation cost to outside-city shoppers and contractors reduces future pressure on water/sewer-related rate increases.

Downtown vitality = infrastructure + business confidence

DEVELOPMENT PULSE

4.9x

Permit & development fees vs last year (H1 2026)

Chamber-relevant investments in the pipeline

Public Plaza & Veterans Memorial - \$1.50M in FY2027 (downtown gathering anchor).

EV Fast Chargers - \$345K in FY2027 (Mountain Loop gateway signal).

Boys & Girls Club at Galena - \$463K state-capital grant, free public parking, City priority use for civic events.

Legion Park - \$1.465M plaza & amphitheater (see Slide 8).



What we're asking of the Chamber

Bring us process bottlenecks: permitting steps, parking, signage, construction coordination. Flag priority sites so we can align infrastructure sequencing.

What we're committing to

Communicate downtown/EV/plaza construction impacts early. Publish an annual CIP/TIP progress report. Preserve public parking as we invest in placemaking.

Good government shows up in the rules



Chapter 2.08 update (Ordinance 1082-2026): making comment timing, decision records, and payment reporting understandable.

3:00 PM

Written testimony deadline before evening Council meetings.

After staff → before deliberation

Item-specific public comment now placed after staff presentation and clarifying questions but before Council deliberation.

10:30 PM

Meeting end time remains unchanged to protect decision quality.

TRANSPARENT PAYMENT REPORTING

561 payments totaling \$5,518,634.63 in the Jan 1 - Jul 15, 2026 register - with controls for \$25K+ payments, cumulative vendor totals, voids, and sole-source/emergency exceptions.

2027 priorities - what to expect over the next 12 months

01

Fund the first capital wave

Water wells, sewer program, downtown stormwater, plaza, EV chargers, park & street overlays - first wave ~\$9.9M.



02

Protect General Fund flexibility

Enhance passport w/ TWIC & TSA, sales tax, utility tax.



03

Implement TBD revenue

DOR-confirmed collection start Jan 1, 2027; publish FAQ, accounting codes, and annual use reporting.



04

Review utility rates annually

Fund water well rehab without exhausting Water capacity; preserve Sewer & Stormwater resilience.



05

Lock in public safety service levels

Police ILA staffing baseline, 3-Deputy model, shortfall credits, jail partner decision.



06

Pursue grants before local dollars

Front-load TIB transportation grants while eligibility remains (before crossing 5,000 population).



2027 BUDGET CALENDAR

Sep 14

Call letter

Sep 28

Estimates to Clerk

Oct 5

Revenue estimates

Nov 2

Preliminary filed

Nov 2-18

Hearings

Nov 30

Levy cert.

Dec 31

Adoption

THANK YOU

Questions?

Bring your business perspective - permitting, downtown access, construction coordination, workforce, parking. This is how we prioritize the next year.



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CITY OF
GRANITE FALLS

City of Granite Falls · State of the City · August 27, 2026



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

Subject: City Manager Staff Report

Originating Dept.: City Council

Action Recommended:

Approval(s):

Meeting Date: September 2, 2026

Date Submitted:

Exhibit(s):

1. R1 City Manager Rpt

Budgeted Amount:

BARS Code:

Summary Statement:

Background:

Recommended Motion:

City of Granite Falls City Manager Staff Report

Reporting period: August 20 through August 27, 2026

Highlights:

- State of the City and Chamber engagement – The City presented the State of the City to the Granite Falls Chamber of Commerce on August 27. The presentation was well received and we have included the presentation deck with the staff reports and may be found on the City’s website Link:
<https://cms3.revize.com/revize/cityofgranitefalls/Granite%20Falls%20State%20of%20the%20City%202026.pdf>
- The city presented its Legion Park project to the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program Local Parks evaluation panel on August 20. The city received supportive comments at the end of the presentation, no questions were asked, and preliminary rankings are anticipated in mid-September. RCO’s published Local Parks schedule lists the 2026 evaluation meeting for August 17-21 and a results meeting on September 3 (RCO Local Parks Advisory Committee). The RCO stated that preliminary ranked lists will form the basis for recommendations to the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board, with board action expected at the October meeting and final funding levels determined during the 2027 legislative session.
- Separately, our Legion Park design team held a Legion Park kickoff meeting on August 26, and the landscape architect recommended prioritizing survey work for Jim Holm Park because it will support master planning, accessibility upgrades, and later final design.
- Recreational Trails Program opportunity - The RCO Recreational Trails Program is advertising a grant opportunity for up to \$150,000 for general projects and \$10,000 per year for education projects, with a 20 percent minimum match (RCO Recreational Trails Program). This is a potential opportunity for trail improvements from the lake to the river at Frank Mason Park. The funding can support trail maintenance, restoration, trailhead improvements, trail connections, drainage, safety, and related recreational infrastructure. We will vet this with the Council.
- Law-enforcement services ILA - The Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office responded on August 26 that a meeting will be needed to continue discussion of the new law-enforcement services ILA. We asked the County to send any thoughts in advance so City staff can evaluate them before the meeting.
- The City provided the public, Council, County, and staff with a follow-up regarding ALPR/Flock data retention, deletion, search logs, public-records response processes, and how older communications may be understood in the current privacy-policy environment. We provided a written explanation to a resident and Council regarding automated deletion, the 21-day retention cap under Washington’s new ALPR law, retained audit/search logs, and records preserved for legitimate law-enforcement or legal-hold purposes. As we understand it:
 - As I understand it, this is how the deletion works:
 - Every image and vehicle record is stored in Amazon’s cloud (the same AWS infrastructure used by banks and federal agencies), encrypted the whole time. Deletion isn’t something an employee has to remember to do - it’s an automated rule built into the storage system itself. Once a record hits the end of the retention period, Amazon’s system deletes it permanently. Amazon’s own documentation states: “Deleting an object can’t be undone.” Not by the Sheriff’s Office, not by Flock, and not by Amazon.

- **When it happens** - the deletion process runs every day. Under Washington's new ALPR law - one of the strictest in the country - data can be kept a maximum of 21 days. So, a picture of a car passing through town on the 1st of the month is automatically and permanently gone about three weeks later, day in and day out, with no one needing to push a button.
- **How anyone knows it's really happening** - nobody must take Flock's word for it. Every automated deletion is recorded in a tamper-resistant Amazon log, and every year independent outside auditors test whether the deletion system is doing what it's supposed to do - that's part of Flock's annual SOC 2 audit, the same kind of examination used across the banking and technology industries. On top of that, the retention period is written into the contract, which is a public record.
- **What purposely doesn't get deleted** - two things stick around, and that's by design. First, the log of every search - who searched, when, and the reason they gave - is kept permanently. That's the accountability record, and state law requires the Sheriff's Office to keep it for at least two years. Second, if a specific image becomes evidence in an actual case - a hit-and-run, a missing person - it's preserved under the same evidence and chain-of-custody rules as any other police evidence. Everything else ages out automatically.
 - Although the public can't watch the deletion logs in real time - the proof comes from the annual independent audits and the contract terms, not a live public feed. So, in a nut shell, deletion is automatic, verified yearly by outside auditors, and what's kept forever is exactly the record that keeps everyone honest - the log of how the system is used.
- Historic cemetery preservation recognition - The State Historic Preservation Officer awarded a 2026 cemetery preservation award to the Granite Falls American Legion Post 125 Cemetery. Great job to the team for all the support!
- Passport/TSA fingerprinting implementation – We are coordinating with PS-IDEMIA for a possible accelerated and modified TSA program start with eligible staff. Next steps include setup, training, and the start of printing. This could occur approximately three weeks after schedule confirmation.
- Countywide Stage 2 burn ban - Snohomish County's outdoor burning page states that the Fire Marshal has ordered a Stage 2 burn ban due to continued fire danger and shared resources assisting with wildland fire efforts in Washington, and that all outdoor burning is prohibited, including residential yard debris fires and recreational fires in fire pits, until further notice (Snohomish County Outdoor Burning Information). The burn-ban hotline is 425-388-3508 and the Fire Marshal's office as 425-388-3557 for questions (Snohomish County Outdoor Burning Information).



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

Subject: Purchasing and Claims Report -
January 1 through August 26, 2026 -
Resolution 2026-03

Originating Dept.: City Council

Approval(s):

Action Recommended:

Meeting Date: September 2, 2026

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Exhibit(s):

1. COGF Purchasing Report thru 8-26-26

Budgeted Amount:

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**CITY OF GRANITE FALLS
STAFF REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL**

Purchasing and Claims Report - January 1 through August 26, 2026

To: City Council
Fm: Jeff Balentine, City Manager
Date: August 27, 2026
RE: Purchasing and Claims Report - January 1 through August 26, 2026 - Resolution 2026-03

This report is submitted to the City Council pursuant to Resolution 2026-03, Consolidated Purchasing Policies, Procedures, and Delegation of Purchasing Authority. The resolution requires the City Manager to report regularly on purchases and contracts executed under delegated authority (Section 4.3) and to provide periodic reports listing purchases and contracts above \$25,000 (Section 12.2).

Reporting Requirements

Resolution 2026-03 establishes the following reporting obligations, each addressed in this report:

- Section 4.3 - List delegated purchases and contracts during the reporting period, including vendor, amount, brief description, cumulative spending, and any sole-source or emergency purchases with written justification.
- Section 12.2.1 - Provide monthly or quarterly reports of all purchases and contracts above \$25,000, including vendor, contract amount, description, procurement method when applicable, emergency or sole-source determinations, and budget account charged.
- Section 12.2.3 - Report emergency purchases above \$50,000, sole-source determinations above \$25,000, and purchasing compliance issues or concerns.
- Section 12.3 - Maintain and post a quarterly list of contracts awarded under delegated authority with vendor, amount, description, and award date.

Summary of Claims

During the reporting period, the City issued 647 non-voided claims payments totaling \$6,599,340.88 to 187 vendors. 5 checks totaling \$18,621.03 were voided and are excluded from the active claims totals.

Period	Claims Issued	Amount
January 2026	88	\$2,096,991.51
February 2026	76	\$486,610.09
March 2026	88	\$483,272.27
April 2026	78	\$341,098.37
May 2026	87	\$647,747.05
June 2026	76	\$586,345.09
July 2026	68	\$876,570.25
August 2026	86	\$1,080,706.25
Total	647	\$6,599,340.88

Exhibit A lists the 43 claims payments of \$25,000 or more, totaling \$5,417,078.52, or 82.1% of all claims dollars. The largest payments are associated with Council-approved real-property acquisition, public works progress payments, professional engineering services, intergovernmental law-enforcement services, utility services, and other operating obligations.

Purchases and Contracts Above \$25,000

- The payments listed in Exhibit A provide the itemized reporting threshold in Section 12.2. For the final Council record, bid, quotation, contract, roster, interlocal-agreement, and Council-action documentation remains available in the relevant purchasing files and through the City Clerk, as applicable.

Cumulative Spending by Vendor

- Exhibit B summarizes year-to-date claims payments by vendor for vendors receiving \$25,000 or more during the reporting period. This schedule supports the cumulative-spending reporting element in Section 4.3.

Sole-Source and Emergency Purchases

- No emergency purchases under Section 9.1 and no sole-source purchases under Section 9.3 for the reporting period.

Exception Reporting

- Emergency purchases exceeding \$50,000: N/A.
- Sole-source determinations over \$25,000: N/A.
- Purchasing compliance issues or concerns: none
 - There were 7 payments above the City Manager's \$245,000 delegated threshold, totaling \$2,916,451.96; these are Council-approved transactions or progress payments under Council-awarded public works contracts and should be supported by the relevant Council record and contract file.

Exhibit A - Claims Payments of \$25,000 or More

January 1 through August 26, 2026

Date	Check/EFT	Vendor	Amount	Description	Category	Notes
01/07/2026	415874	Snohomish County PUD	\$43,157.52	Water / Electric - Galena St. Ext. Lighting	Utilities - water/electric service	Utility service
01/21/2026	415889	Association of Washington Cities - RMSA	\$160,547.00	2026 AWC Risk Management Assesment	Intergovernmental - risk pool assessment	Member risk-pool assessment
01/21/2026	415903	Gray & Osborne, Inc.	\$143,225.02	Engineering Services	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required
01/21/2026	415906	Harbor Pacific Contractors Inc.	\$322,083.49	Pay Estimate #25	Public works - WWTP upgrade	Council-awarded contract progress payment
01/21/2026	415916	Sno. County Sheriff's-Contract	\$244,630.00	GTF 2025 4th QTR Invoice	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required
01/21/2026	415920	Snohomish County PUD	\$27,247.09	Water / Electric - Various Locations	Utilities - water/electric service	Utility service
01/28/2026	EFT	Olympic Escrow Inc.	\$1,002,310.73	Purchase of Fire Station 116 S Granite Ave	Real property acquisition	Council approval - Section 6.1
02/18/2026	415984	City Of Granite Falls	\$27,300.27	Water/ Sewer Utility Tax	Interfund - utility service and utility tax	Internal utility charge
02/18/2026	415991	Gray & Osborne, Inc.	\$81,134.75	Engineer Consulting / Project Management	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required
02/18/2026	415992	Harbor Pacific Contractors Inc.	\$236,468.80	Progress Estimate 26 WWTP	Public works - WWTP upgrade	Council-awarded contract progress payment
03/04/2026	416039	P n D Logging & Tree Service	\$30,875.30	Perrigoue Park Tree Removal	Parks - tree-removal services	Service procurement
03/04/2026	416049	Snohomish County PUD	\$29,036.25	Water / Electric	Utilities - water/electric service	Utility service
03/18/2026	416069	City Of Granite Falls	\$27,002.68	Water / Sewer - Feb. 2026 Water/ Sewer Utility Tax	Interfund - utility service and utility tax	Internal utility charge
03/18/2026	416074	Gray & Osborne, Inc.	\$113,737.72	Consulting Services	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required
03/18/2026	416075	Harbor Pacific Contractors Inc.	\$79,432.23	PE #27	Public works - WWTP upgrade	Council-awarded contract progress payment
03/18/2026	416085	Snohomish County PUD	\$36,326.36	Water / Electric	Utilities -	Utility service

Date	Check/EFT	Vendor	Amount	Description	Category	Notes
					water/electric service	
04/15/2026	416139	City Of Granite Falls	\$29,106.94	Water / Sewer - Water / Sewer Utility Tax	Interfund - utility service and utility tax	Internal utility charge
04/15/2026	416151	Gray & Osborne, Inc.	\$84,421.72	Engineer Consulting	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required
04/15/2026	416153	Harbor Pacific Contractors Inc.	\$46,340.23	WWTP Upgrade PE #28	Public works - WWTP upgrade	Council-awarded contract progress payment
04/15/2026	416163	Snohomish County PUD	\$34,281.72	Water / Electric	Utilities - water/electric service	Utility service
04/15/2026	416179	WelWest Construction Inc.	\$35,473.60	Final Progress Estimate 4	Public works	Contract final progress payment
05/06/2026	416196	Department Of Commerce	\$49,315.03	WWTP Facility Upgrades	Intergovernmental - state agency	WWTP facility-upgrade program
05/06/2026	416203	Gray & Osborne, Inc.	\$60,358.04	Enginner Consulting	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required
05/06/2026	416213	Sno. County Sheriff's-Contract	\$255,912.50	GTF 2026 1st Quarter - Law Enforcement Services	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required
05/20/2026	416236	City Of Granite Falls	\$27,623.17	Water / Sewer - Service - Utility Tax - Water / Sewer	Interfund - utility service and utility tax	Internal utility charge
05/20/2026	416254	Snohomish County DPW	\$25,938.84	Public Works Assistance Loan Prgm.	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required
05/20/2026	416257	Snohomish County PUD	\$37,596.31	Water / Electric	Utilities - water/electric service	Utility service
06/03/2026	416283	EARTHWORK SOLUTIONS LLC	\$292,109.44	KENTUCKY / INDIANA LID PE 1	Public works - Kentucky/Union LID	Council-awarded contract progress payment
06/03/2026	416291	Gray & Osborne, Inc.	\$100,351.73	Engineering Services	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required
06/17/2026	416318	City Of Granite Falls	\$27,675.70	Water / Sewer Utility Tax - Water / Sewer Service	Interfund - utility service and utility tax	Internal utility charge
06/17/2026	416337	Snohomish County PUD	\$46,952.32	Water/Electric	Utilities - water/electric service	Utility service
07/01/2026	416394	ALUMICHEM	\$30,068.40	WWTP AluPAC	Supplies - WWTP treatment chemicals	Operational supply purchase
07/01/2026	416360	EARTHWORK SOLUTIONS LLC	\$335,342.88	PE #2 Less 90% MOH from PE #1	Public works - Kentucky/Union LID	Council-awarded contract progress payment

Date	Check/EFT	Vendor	Amount	Description	Category	Notes
07/01/2026	416365	Gray & Osborne, Inc.	\$71,277.79	Engineering Services	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required
07/15/2026	416399	City Of Granite Falls	\$28,887.24	Water/Sewer Sevice - Water/Sewer Utility Tax	Interfund - utility service and utility tax	Internal utility charge
07/15/2026	416405	Harbor Pacific Contractors Inc.	\$222,888.78	WWTP Constuction PE #29	Public works - WWTP upgrade	Council-awarded contract progress payment
07/15/2026	416413	Snohomish County PUD	\$49,532.39	Water/ Electric	Utilities - water/electric service	Utility service
08/05/2026	416437	EARTHWORK SOLUTIONS LLC	\$452,780.42	PE #3 Kentucky / Union LID	Public works - Kentucky/Union LID	Council-awarded contract progress payment
08/05/2026	416440	Gray & Osborne, Inc.	\$33,357.18	Engineering Services	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required
08/05/2026	416447	Larry Brown Construction, Inc.	\$93,122.10	Union and Kentucky Improvements PE 1	Public works - Union/Kentucky improvements	Council-awarded contract progress payment
08/05/2026	416459	Sno. County Sheriff's-Contract	\$255,912.50	GFT 2026 2nd Quarter Invoice	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required
08/19/2026	416484	City Of Granite Falls	\$29,517.02	Water/Sewer - Water/Sewer Utility Tax	Interfund - utility service and utility tax	Internal utility charge
08/19/2026	416505	Snohomish County PUD	\$56,419.32	Water/ Electric	Utilities - water/electric service	Utility service
Total - items of \$25,000 or more			\$5,417,078.52			

Exhibit B - Cumulative Payments by Vendor of \$25,000 or More

January 1 through August 26, 2026

Vendor	Claims	YTD Amount	Primary Category	Notes
EARTHWORK SOLUTIONS LLC	3	\$1,080,232.74	Public works - Kentucky/Union LID	Council-awarded contract progress payment
Olympic Escrow Inc.	1	\$1,002,310.73	Real property acquisition	Council approval - Section 6.1
Harbor Pacific Contractors Inc.	6	\$917,213.53	Public works - WWTP upgrade	Council-awarded contract progress payment
Sno. County Sheriff's-Contract	4	\$757,743.00	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required
Gray & Osborne, Inc.	8	\$687,863.95	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required
Snohomish County PUD	16	\$418,121.82	Utilities - water/electric service	Utility service
City Of Granite Falls	8	\$220,729.39	Interfund - utility service and utility tax	Internal utility charge
Association of Washington Cities - RMSA	1	\$160,547.00	Intergovernmental - risk pool assessment	Member risk-pool assessment
US Bank Corporate Payment System	8	\$101,834.68	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required
Larry Brown Construction, Inc.	1	\$93,122.10	Public works - Union/Kentucky improvements	Council-awarded contract progress payment
Revenue, Dept. Of	8	\$69,007.33	Tax remittance - Washington Department of Revenue	Statutory remittance; non-procurement
Department Of Commerce	1	\$49,315.03	Intergovernmental - state agency	WWTP facility-upgrade program
Rain Paint	2	\$44,090.04	Public works - crack seal project	Public works project payment
Granicus LLC	7	\$42,939.96	Services - agenda/communications software	Software/services agreement
Snohomish County 911	8	\$42,022.88	Intergovernmental - 911 assessment	Member assessment
Thompson, Guildner & Assoc., Inc., P.S.	8	\$40,187.82	Professional services - legal	Professional-services engagement
Sno. County Sherriff's Office	7	\$36,545.98	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required

Vendor	Claims	YTD Amount	Primary Category	Notes
AHBL, INC	4	\$36,212.36	Professional services - engineering/planning	A/E consultant roster / RCW 39.80
WelWest Construction Inc.	1	\$35,473.60	Public works	Contract final progress payment
P n D Logging & Tree Service	1	\$30,875.30	Parks - tree-removal services	Service procurement
Waste Management of WA INC	5	\$30,392.96	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required
ALUMICHEM	1	\$30,068.40	Supplies - WWTP treatment chemicals	Operational supply purchase
Snohomish County DPW	3	\$26,505.80	Goods or services	Supporting procurement file required
Subtotal - vendors with cumulative payments of \$25,000 or more		\$5,953,356.40		

Subtotal represents 90.2% of all non-voided claims dollars during the reporting period.



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

Subject: Consultant Police Chief

Originating Dept.: Consultant Police Chief

Action Recommended:

Approval(s):

Meeting Date: September 2, 2026

Date Submitted: 8/28/2026

Exhibit(s):

1. August 2026 Staff report for 09-02 council

Budgeted Amount:

BARS Code:

Summary Statement:

Background:

Recommended Motion:



CITY OF GRANITE FALLS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH SNOHOMISH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



Sheriff Susanna Johnson

City Manager Jeff Balentine

Mayor, City Council and staff,

Granite Falls Police Department

Chief of Police Council Report – August 2026

Calls for Service

We have been busy this month with calls for service. As of **August 27, 2026**, the Granite Falls Police Department has responded to **765 calls for service (CFS)**. During the entire month of August last year, we answered 905 CFS, so we will most likely finish this month very similar to last year.

Of the 765 calls for service this month, **533 occurred within the Granite Falls beats**, while **231 occurred in the Lincoln 2 beat or other county beats**. Of the total calls, **481 were generated through 911 calls**, while **278 were officer-initiated**.

Jail Costs

Our jail bill was once again slightly higher than normal this month. As we have seen in previous months, **DUI offenses and domestic-related cases** continue to contribute to the increased costs. We are also continuing to deal with one **prolific vagrant** who has required repeated law-enforcement involvement and has contributed to additional booking and incarceration costs.

Investigations and Follow-Up

Our Deputies have been actively working on several ongoing investigations this month. This has included conducting follow-up investigations, serving search warrants, interviewing involved parties and witnesses, and working with other agencies and individuals to identify people who may be involved in cases or who may have information that could assist with our investigations.

These investigations often require considerable follow-up work beyond the initial call, and our Deputies continue to do a good job pursuing these cases and developing additional information.

Mental Health / DCR Assistance

We have also assisted DCRs with interviews and with facilitating assistance for individuals experiencing mental-health crises.

We received some good news this month regarding additional resources for people in crisis. **Sea Mar's new facility in Lynnwood is now open**, which provides another option for individuals who need assistance and gives law enforcement additional resources when working with people experiencing a mental-health crisis.



CITY OF GRANITE FALLS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH SNOHOMISH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



Sheriff Susanna Johnson

City Manager Jeff Balentine

School and Traffic Enforcement

This week, we have stepped up traffic enforcement around our schools as time allows. With the beginning of the school year approaching, we are using this opportunity to remind the public to slow down, pay attention, and watch for children in and around our school zones.

Next week, **DR. Geaslen and I will be producing a short video reminding the public that school is starting and encouraging everyone to watch out for our kids.** Once completed, we will publish the video through the Police Department's social media platform and other platforms.

We are looking forward to having our kids return to school. Some of the issues we have been dealing with recently can, in part, be attributed to kids being bored during the summer. Hopefully, returning to school and getting back into a normal routine will help alleviate some of those issues.

FLOCK Camera Registration

On **August 28, 2026**, I completed the registration of our **FLOCK cameras with the State of Washington**. This places the Police Department in compliance with the state's registration requirements **ahead of the required deadline**.

This was an important administrative step to ensure our FLOCK system remains compliant with state requirements while allowing us to continue using this technology as an investigative and public safety tool.

Closing

Overall, August has been another busy month for the Granite Falls Police Department. Our Deputies continue to balance calls for service, proactive enforcement, investigations, mental-health-related calls, and community engagement. As we move into the fall, our focus will remain on keeping our community safe, supporting our schools, and continuing to address the issues that affect the quality of life in Granite Falls.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Dalton #1508

Chief Tom Dalton



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

Subject: AB 135-2026 Granite Falls
Prevention Coalition Update
Jared Pierce

Originating Dept.: City Clerk

Approval(s): City Clerk
City Manager

Action Recommended: N/A Presentation
Only

Meeting Date: September 2, 2026

Date Submitted: 8/14/2026

Exhibit(s):

1. GFPC City Council - September 2026

Budgeted Amount:
BARS Code:

Summary Statement:

On August 14, 2026, City Clerk Darla Wilkins was asked by Jared Pierce if he could be placed on the September 2, 2026 Council Meeting for an updated presentation on the Granite Falls Prevention Coalition Update.

Background:

Recommended Motion:
N/A Presentation Only



GRANITE FALLS PREVENTION COALITION

What We've Been Working On

- ▶ Second Step – Elementary Schools
 - ▶ A Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Curriculum
- ▶ Sources of Strength – Middle School
 - ▶ A peer-led program that uses student leaders and trusted adults to promote healthy coping, positive relationships, and other protective factors.
- ▶ Substance-use discipline policy & practice review – Middle School
 - ▶ A review to determine the current situation in the school and provide recommendations to align with best practices and the schools unique situation.

Kratom

- **The Plant:** Mitragynine (MG) is a plant alkaloid and the primary psychoactive component of Kratom (*Mitragyna speciosa*)
 - 7-Hydroxy mitragynine (7OH) is a structurally similar alkaloid found naturally in Kratom, but only in small amounts
- **History:** Recreational uses of Kratom date back centuries, with consumption in Southeast Asia by laborers and farmers looking to combat fatigue, increase productivity, and alleviate pain
 - Dried leaf, brewed tea, powders, capsules, concentrates, extracts
- **Metabolism:** MG → 7OH → Mitragynine Pseudoindoxyl (MP)
- **Today:** Concurrent with the rise of “smoke shops”, the commercial sale of Kratom products, high-dose MG preparations, and now marketed 7OH and MP products have surged. These products include tablets, concentrates, extracts, edibles (e.g., gummies, ice cream cones), and beverages



7OH & Related Alkaloids

- Novel mitragynine alkaloids are appearing in today's newly diverse "Kratom" market
- **7-Hydroxy Mitragynine (7OH)**
 - Semi-synthetic, 10x more potent than mitragynine
 - Increasingly sold as stand-alone "Kratom" product
- **Mitragynine Pseudoindoxyl (MP)**
 - Semi-synthetic, 100x more potent than mitragynine
 - Newly sold as stand-alone "Kratom" product
- **Dihydro-7-Hydroxy Mitragynine (DH-7OH, "MGM-15")**
 - Synthetic, 30x more potent than mitragynine
 - Emerging substance of concern, sold as "MGM-15"

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Kratom & 7-OH: What's Changed?

- ▶ **DEA announced temporary scheduling of 7-OH and related substances**
- ▶ Targets **highly concentrated/synthetic 7-OH products**
- ▶ Covers 7-OH above a specified threshold
- ▶ Also addresses mitragynine pseudoindoxyl, MGM-15 and MGM-16
- ▶ Does **not** apply to botanical kratom containing naturally occurring 7-OH below the specified threshold





PLAY GAMES TOGETHER • CREATE YOUR FAMILY TREE • INTERACT WITH YOUR FRIENDS • MAKE YOUR FAMILY STRONGER

COME JOIN THE FAMILY FUN



- **Acquire Methods to Reduce Conflict**
- **Learn How to Listen and be Heard**
- **Explore Productive Parenting Strategies**
- **Get Skills to Handle Peer Pressure & more...**



Registration now open!

Wanted:
Families with Youth ages 10-14

October 8 – November 19, 2026
(Thursdays) • 5:30-8pm
Session are once a week

Free!

Monte Cristo Elementary School
1201 100th St NE Granite Falls, WA 98252

SCAN to Register



Strengthening Families

- ▶ October 8th – November 19th
- ▶ Thursdays 5:30-8:00pm
- ▶ Families with youth ages 10-14
- ▶ Completely FREE!
- ▶ Dinner provided
- ▶ Childcare provided for younger children

National Drug Take Back Day

- ▶ October 24th 10am-2pm
- ▶ @ Granite Falls Pharm-A-Save
- ▶ We have more Narcan, medication lock bags, information, and more!



The poster features the DEA National Take Back logo at the top, with 'DEA NATIONAL' in blue and 'TAKE BACK' in white on a red and blue background. Below the logo is an illustration of a tipped-over pill bottle with red and blue capsules spilling out. Three groups of capsules are highlighted with orange brackets and labels: 'STOLEN' for a group on the left, 'LOST' for a group in the middle, and 'MISUSED' for a group on the right. The date and time 'October 24th 10am-2pm' are written in blue text. Below this, the location 'At the Granite Falls Pharm-A-Save' is listed. The slogan 'Keep them safe. Clean them out. Take them back.' is in bold black text. At the bottom, it says 'Visit DEATakeBack.com for a collection site near you.'

DEA NATIONAL ^{Rx} TAKE BACK

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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

Subject: AB 136-2026 Indiana / Kentucky
Avenue LID Project Update

Originating Dept.: Public Works

Approval(s):

Action Recommended: N/a

Meeting Date: September 2, 2026

Date Submitted: 8/28/2026

Exhibit(s):

1. LID Project Update

Budgeted Amount: N/a

BARS Code: N/a

Summary Statement:

N/a

Background:

N/a

Recommended Motion:

N/a

Kentucky & Indiana Low [⌘]Impact Development (LID) Improvement Project Update

8/2/2026

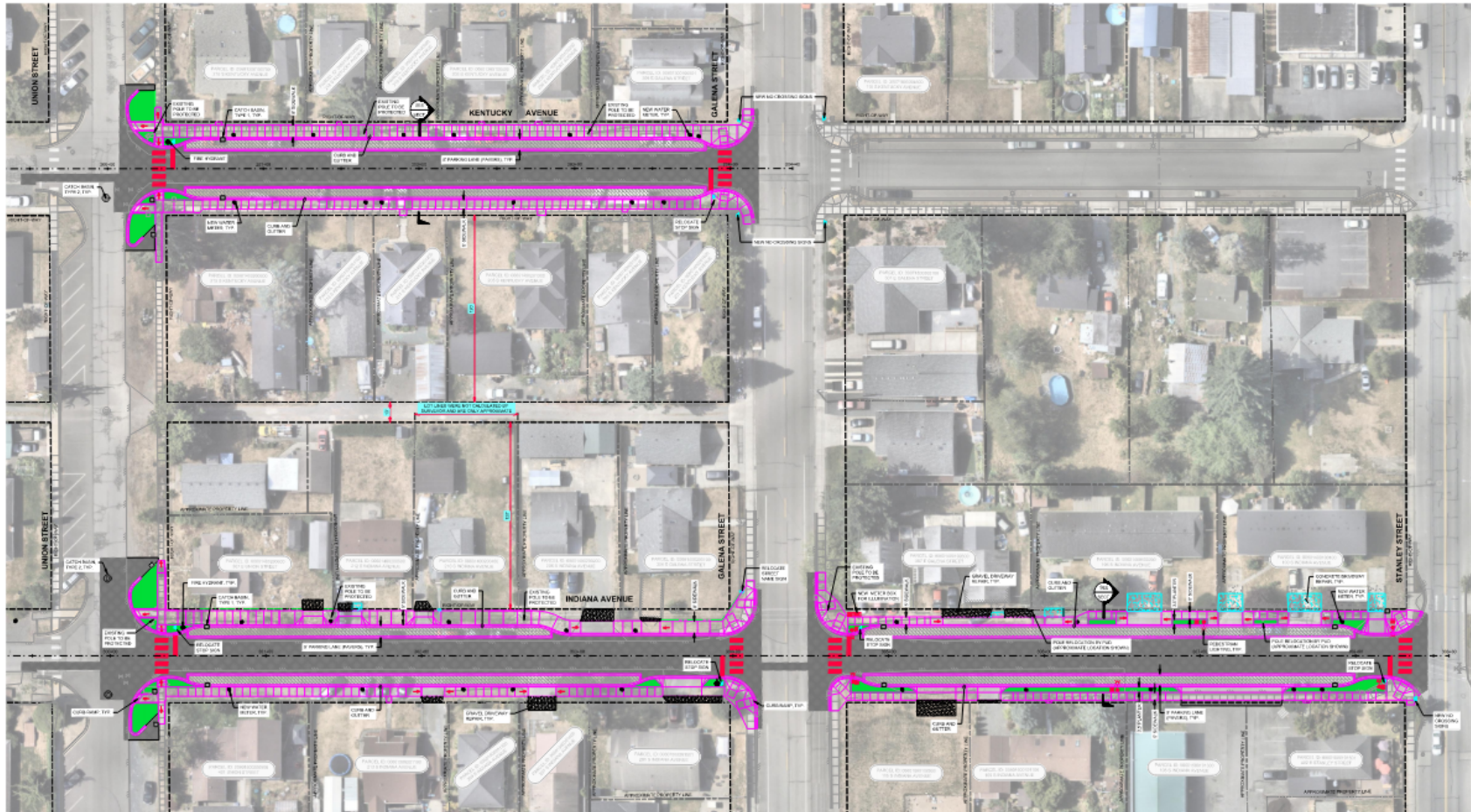
Project Background & Purpose



- What is LID?
 - Purpose
 - Background



Project Location



KENTUCKY AVENUE AND INDIANA AVENUE LID IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

FUNDED IN PART BY THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY



Project Improvements



- Pervious sidewalks
- Parking
- Decorative lighting
- Pedestrian ramps
- Roadways
- Stormwater
- Water



Funding Sources



SFAP Grant Funding (85%)

- LID stormwater improvements: \$1,366,777.91

Local Funding

- Water-main improvements: \$357,910.48
- Street-lighting improvements: \$90,400.00

Total construction bid: \$1,815,088.39

Current Expenditures



SFAP Grant Funding (85%)

- LID stormwater improvements: \$1,366,777.91
 - \$982,565.50 paid out (contractor)
 - \$141,773.16 paid out (design & CM)
 - \$913,993.18 reimbursed by Ecology
 - Total local funding to date: \$213,345.48

Local Funding

- Water-main improvements: \$357,910.48 (construction only)
 - \$328,044.54 paid out (contractor)
 - \$80,253.85 paid out (design & CM)
- Street-lighting improvements: \$90,400.00
 - \$45,200.00 paid out (contractor)

Remaining Project Items

	EWS	Kentucky Ave
25	EWS	Final Restoration
26	Kamps	Striping (Project Wide)
27	EWS	Final Punchlist Walk
28	EWS	Indiana Ave
36	EWS	Fine grade for curb/ sidewalk/ADA
41	Mickeys	FPS All ADA Ramps and Sidewalks
38	EWS	Paver stone Area Road EX
45	EWS	Install Paver Stone Sand and Perm bal
46	EWS	Fine grade for flush curb
44	Mickeys	FPS All Flush Curb
56	EWS	Blue Top CSTC
57	AA	HMA Paving
45	EWS	Install Paver Stones
58	EWS	Restoration
59	EWS	Permanent Signage
60	EWS	Punchlist Walk

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Summary





Questions / Comments?