

City Council



501 Delta Ave
Marysville, WA 98270

**Regular Meeting
October 28, 2024**

Call to Order

Mayor Nehring called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Invocation

Chaplain Dan Hazen from Everett Gospel Mission gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Nehring led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present:

Mayor: Jon Nehring

Council: Councilmember Condyles, Councilmember James, Councilmember King,
Council President Stevens, Councilmember Muller, Councilmember Norton

Staff: City Administrator Jennifer Stapleton, Deputy City Attorney Burton Eggertsen,
Human Resources Director Megan Hodgson, Community Development
Director Haylie Miller, IT Director Stephen Doherty, Finance Director Jennifer
Ferrer-Santa Ines, Engineering Services Director Jeff Laycock, Parks & Rec.
Director Tara Mizell, I.S. Analyst Elliot Jacobson, Communications Specialist
Bridgette Larsen, Court Administrator Suzanne Elsner, Communications
Manager Connie Mennie,

Absent: Councilmember Richards

Motion to excuse the absence of Councilmember Richards moved by Council President
Stevens seconded by Councilmember King.

AYES: ALL

Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda moved by Councilmember James seconded by Councilmember Norton.

AYES: ALL

Presentations

A. Swearing-in of Police Wellness K9, Molly

Oath Police K9 Molly.docx

Chief Scairpon introduced Police K9 Molly who will be serving as the facility dog. He also introduced guests and dog trainers. Commander Chris Jones gave some background on Molly and thanked everyone for providing the dog to the police department. Mayor Nehring swore Molly in. Members of the Marysville Police Foundation were introduced and made a presentation to the City for \$11,000 for Molly and her training.

B. Swearing-in of Patrol Officer Jason Thompson

Oath Police Officer Jason Thompson.docx

Jason Thompson was introduced and sworn in as Patrol Officer.

C. Swearing-in of Police Officer Brent Fakkema

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Police Officer Brent Fakkema was introduced and sworn in.

D. Proclamation Declaring November 2024 as Military Family Appreciation Month in Marysville

PROCLAMATION Military Family Appreciation Month 2024.pdf

Mayor Nehring read the proclamation into the record.

E. Proclamation Declaring Nov. 4-8, 2024, as Municipal Court Week in Marysville

PROCLAMATION Municipal Court Week 2024.pdf

Mayor Nehring read the proclamation into the record.

F. Follow-up Presentation - Mayor's Proposed 2025-26 Biennial Budget

[2025 - 2026 Funded Budget Requests.pdf](#)
[2025 - 2026 Unfunded Budget Requests.pdf](#)

City Administrator Stapleton, Mayor Nehring, and staff made a supplemental presentation regarding the budget and responded to Council questions about rightsizing and supplemental requests. Human Resources Director Hodgson gave an overview of the tuition reimbursement program. Chief Scairpon discussed the jail railing supplemental request and responded to clarification questions regarding options considered and impacts to the jail during construction. He also reviewed the police wellness supplemental request. City Administrator Stapleton reviewed additional requests related to IS software, the Geddes Marina Remediation Project; and personnel changes. Director Ferrer-Santa Ines and Chief Scairpon responded to a question about tribal gaming revenue. Director Ferrer-Santa Ines summarized Operating Transfers and Interfund Transfers for Parks and also for Police. Director Mizell answered questions about revenues and the operating budget associated with the Opera House. City Administrator Stapleton explained the plan to implement more robust project tracking that will provide more information about projects.

City Administrator Stapleton summarized reasons for the 5% Utility Rate Increase for Water/Sewer. Mayor Nehring commented that there is no property tax increase being proposed. He discussed the reserves and pointed to a projected reserve fund of 17% at the end of the biennium. He suggested that the Council may want to take a look at the reserves policy over the next two years. City Administrator Stapleton discussed upcoming prioritized actions and policy decisions including utility rate studies, an impact fee study, project tracking & associated cost recovery, an increased medical stop loss proposal, and an updated reserve policy. She informed Council about upcoming public hearings.

Councilmember King referred the replacement of the bucket truck. He asked if they had considered keeping it as a spare or backup instead of sending it to auction. Director Laycock indicated they could look into that.

Councilmember Norton thanked staff for providing more details and extra information so Council can make a more informed decision.

G. [Mandatory Minimum Ordinance Discussion](#)

Chief Scairpon made a presentation on mandatory minimums and requested direction on enhancements based on a report on the current performance of the ordinance. He highlighted 2024 YTD statistics for conviction of a third (or more) public disorder crimes. He presented data regarding treatment including client contacts, substance abuse assessments, in-patient treatment, out-patient treatment, decreases in refusal of services, decreases in those absconding from services, and an increase in housing secured. He summarized Marysville jail costs. Finally he suggested possible modifications. He noted that staff is recommending adding malicious mischief to public disorder crimes and considering either a 45-day or a 60-day extension.

Clarification questions followed about malicious mischief crimes. Councilmember Norton asked if drug abuse seems to be an issue with malicious mischief offenders. Chief Scairpon explained sometimes it is a drug abuse issue, sometimes it is a mental health issue, and many times it is both. They try to address both. Councilmember Norton asked if any of the sentences were waived for defendants who went into treatment. Director Scairpon did not have information yet about waived sentences or about recidivism. Councilmember Muller asked what a conservative approach would be. Chief Scairpon recommended 45 days.

Councilmember Norton spoke in support of having staff bring back an ordinance adding malicious mischief and increasing to 45 days. There was consensus to bring back a draft.

Public Comment

Steve Powell, 4708 57th Drive NE, Marysville, WA 98270, expressed concern about door-to-door salesmen in the Harbor View neighborhood. He also commented on clutter that accumulates on the right-of-way in the area. Finally, he expressed appreciation for landscaping that was done in his neighborhood.

Deputy City Attorney Eggertsen discussed code provisions related to door-to-door sales. He will review it and bring back more information.

Approval of Minutes

1. [October 7, 2024, City Council Work Session Minutes](#)

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The following corrections were noted:

- Page 2 - Deputy Director Eggertsen should be Deputy City Attorney
- Page 1 under Roll Call, Chief Smith should be Chief Scairpon

Motion to approve the October 7, 2024, City Council Work Session Minutes as amended moved by Councilmember King seconded by Councilmember Muller.

AYES: ALL

2. [October 14, 2024, City Council Meeting Minutes](#)

[CC 10142024.docx](#)

Motion to approve October 14, 2024, City Council Meeting Minutes as presented moved by Council President Stevens seconded by Councilmember Norton.

AYES: ALL

Consent

3. October 09, 2024 Claims in the Amount of \$1,011,985.98 Paid by EFT Transactions and Check Numbers 172946 through 173086

[100924.rtf](#)

4. October 10, 2024 Payroll in the Amount of \$2,024,581.63 Paid by EFT Transactions and Check Numbers 35473 through 35484
5. October 16, 2024, Claims in the Amount of \$839,266.47 Paid by EFT Transactions and Check Numbers 173087 through 173229 with Check Number 171971 Voided

[101624.rtf](#)

Motion to approve Consent Agenda items 3, 4, and 5 moved by Councilmember Condyles seconded by Councilmember James.

AYES: ALL

Review Bids

Public Hearings

New Business

6. [Interagency Agreement between the Washington Traffic Safety Commission and the Marysville Police Department](#)

[Region 10_L3 HVE IAA_FFY2025.pdf](#)

Chief Scairpon reviewed this item.

Motion to authorize the Mayor to sign and execute the Interagency Agreement between the Washington Traffic Safety Commission and the Marysville Police Department moved by Councilmember Norton seconded by Councilmember Muller.

AYES: ALL

7. [Annual Interlocal Agreement with the Snohomish Regional Drug Task Force.](#)

[2025_SRDTF_ILA.pdf](#)

Chief Scairpon reviewed this item.

Motion to authorize the Mayor to sign and execute the Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish Regional Drug Task Force moved by Councilmember James seconded by Council President Stevens.

AYES: ALL

8. [Amendment No. 1 to Ecology Grant Agreement WQC-2020-MaryPW-00075 City of Marysville Source Control Program](#)

[Amendment_for_Signature_-_WQC-2022-MaryPW-000.pdf](#)
[208655_887504-WQC-2022-MaryPW-00075_SignedAgreement.pdf](#)

Director Laycock explained this amendment is related to a time extension only.

Motion to authorize the Mayor to sign and execute Amendment No.1 to Ecology Grant Agreement WQC-2020-MaryPW-00075 moved by Councilmember Norton seconded by Councilmember King.

AYES: ALL

9. [Project Acceptance – Downtown Stormwater Treatment Project](#)

[Letter 005_DSTP Notice of Physical Completion_09-24-24.pdf](#)

Director Laycock reviewed this item related to the Downtown Stormwater Treatment Project which was partially funded by a grant from the Department of Ecology.

Motion to authorize the Mayor to accept the Downtown Stormwater Treatment Project, starting the 60-day lien filing period for project closeout moved by Councilmember Muller seconded by Councilmember Condyles.

AYES: ALL

10. [Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with Transpo Group USA, Inc. for the design of the 67th Ave NE & 52nd St NE Intersection Improvements](#)

[Supplemental Agreement No. 1 with Transpo Group USA, Inc..pdf](#)
[Original Contract - Transpo Group USA - 67th Ave NE & 52nd St NE.pdf](#)

Director Laycock reviewed the supplemental agreement with Transpo Group USA, Inc. for the design of the 67th Ave NE & 52nd St NE Intersection Improvements.

Motion to authorize the Mayor to sign and execute the attached Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement for the design of the 67th Ave NE & 52nd St NE Intersection Improvements with Transpo Group USA, Inc. in the amount of \$7,818.12 moved by Council President Stevens seconded by Councilmember James.

AYES: ALL

[Legal](#)

[Mayor's Business](#)

11. [2025 State and Legislative Priorities Packets](#)

[2025 Federal Legislative Packet_Final_2024OCT03.pdf](#)
[2025 State Legislative Packet_Final_2024OCT21.pdf](#)

Mayor Nehring noted that the 2025 state and federal legislative packets were included in the packet. These will be on the agenda next week for approval. Councilmember Norton asked about policy requests. Mayor Nehring explained those would be added later.

Other Mayor's Comments:

- He noted that the Halloween event was very well attended and a lot of fun.
- He and others attended the Volunteer Appreciation Event earlier tonight.
- He and others attended the MPHS memorial event last week.
- He expressed appreciation for the Police Department's quick and thorough work in response to a threat on October 25.
- He attended a YMCA early learning center event.
- He attended a ribbon cutting for the regional Criminal Justice Training Center in Arlington.
- He expressed appreciation to the Marysville Police Foundation for their work to provide the new K9 Molly as well as other projects they are working on.

Staff Business

Communications Manager Connie Mennie noted that Mayor Nehring would be participating in a tree planting ceremony tomorrow with the Snohomish Conservation District.

Call on Councilmembers and Committee Reports

Councilmember Condyles reported on the Snohomish County Tomorrow meeting where they got an update on the County Public Works Department's Road Safety Program. They also had a presentation on the Food and Farming Center that is being planned for McCollum Park. The transition of SCT to a more comprehensive organization is continuing to be discussed. A vote on this is expected at the General Assembly on December 11.

Councilmember James:

- He commented on the impressive number of volunteers in the city.
- Congratulations to the two new officers and the new service dog, Molly.
- The Criminal Justice Training Center ribbon cutting in Arlington was nice. It was a large facility. Chief Scairpon commented on the benefits of the local facility.
- He expressed appreciation to staff for putting on the Monster Mash at the Opera House.
- Marysville Police Foundation will be working with Chief Scairpon to determine their next project.

Councilmember King:

- Thanks to City Administrator Stapleton for attending the last Strawberry Festival Board Meeting.
- He thanked staff for the lights on the water tower and the volunteer appreciation event tonight.
- Congratulations to new officers and Molly.

Council President Stevens thanked everyone for the reports and information on the budget tonight.

Councilmember Muller:

- The Hotel Motel Grant Committee reviewed applications last week.
- Congratulations to Police for their new service dog, Molly.
- Thanks to Police for their excellent response last week.
- He hopes everyone has a nice, quiet Halloween.

Councilmember Norton:

- She reported on recent Finance Committee meeting. Numbers are looking good; sales tax revenues are up 3.4%. They also had a good discussion about revenues and fees.
- She reported on the Public Safety Committee meeting where they had a good discussion on mandatory minimums, got to meet Molly, and had an update on open positions.
- She reported on the Snohomish County Law and Justice Council meeting. Representatives were present to talk about legislative priorities. There was a robust discussion about what is and is not happening in Snohomish County in regards to victim support.
- She expressed appreciation to staff for putting on the volunteer appreciation event tonight.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 9:03 p.m. moved by Councilmember Muller seconded by Councilmember Norton.

AYES: ALL

Approved by City Council this 25th day of November, 2024