

**GRANDVIEW CITY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 13, 2026**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ashley Lara called the Committee-of-the-Whole (C.O.W.) meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

The meeting was held in person and was also available via teleconference.

A. Oaths of Office

Mayor Lara administered the Oaths of Office to the following:

- Councilmember Joan Souders – Position 1 – 4 year term
- Councilmember Javier Rodriguez – Position 2 – 4 year term
- Councilmember Ramona Garibay Rios – Position 3 – 4 year term

2. ROLL CALL

Present in person: Councilmembers David Diaz, Laura Flores, Ramona Garibay-Rios, Bill Moore (Mayor Pro Tem), Javier Rodriguez and Joan Souders

Present via teleconference: None

Absent: Councilmember Robert Ozuna

Staff present: City Administrator Shane Fisher and City Clerk Anita Palacios

Present on behalf of YVCOG: Keelan Naaz, Land Use Planner

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. Grandview School District – K-12 Funding & Levy Renewal Presentation

Brad Shreeve, Assistant Superintendent of Finance with the Grandview School District, provided a presentation regarding the Grandview School District's renewal of expiring educational programs and operations levy.

B. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a Letter of Tribal Engagement to the Yakama Nation in compliance with House Bill 1717 and the Washington State Growth Management Act

In accordance with the Growth Management and HB1717, a federally recognized Indian tribe may voluntarily choose to engage with the planning process during the periodic update. YVCOG drafted a letter for the City to send to the Yakama Nation inviting their participation in the comprehensive planning process, for Mayor Lara's signature. Additionally, in order to request participation, the City Council would need to pass a resolution with the request.

Discussion took place.

Staff recommended the C.O.W. move a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a Letter of Tribal Engagement to the Yakama Nation in compliance with House Bill 1717 and the Washington State Growth Management Act to the January 13, 2026 regular Council meeting for consideration.

On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Diaz, the C.O.W. moved a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a Letter of Tribal Engagement to the Yakama Nation in compliance with House Bill 1717 and the Washington State Growth Management Act to the January 13, 2026 regular Council meeting for consideration.

Vote:

- Councilmember Diaz – Yes
- Councilmember Flores – Yes
- Councilmember Garibay-Rios – Yes
- Councilmember Moore – Yes
- Councilmember Ozuna – Absent
- Councilmember Rodriguez – Yes
- Councilmember Souders – Yes

C. Resolution approving Task Order No. 2025-06 with HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc., for the W. 5th Street and Grandridge Road Resurfacing

The City received Arterial Preservation Program (APP) funding from the Washington State Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) for the resurfacing of W. 5th Street from Stassen Way to Grandridge Road, and Grandridge Road from W. 5th Street to Wine Country Road. The project would include full-width resurfacing, pavement markings, and related work. Engineering design would begin immediately following receipt of the executed Task Order. Construction was anticipated to occur in 2027.

At the direction of the City, HLA shall provide professional engineering services for the W. 5th Street and Grandridge Road Resurfacing. HLA shall provide a civil engineering construction document package (plans, specifications, and engineer's estimate) for improvements and obtain Railroad permitting and approvals. Services would also include advertising and bidding, recommendation of a contract award to the lowest responsible bidder, and engineering services during construction with an estimated total fee for services in the amount of \$133,400.

Discussion took place.

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On motion by Councilmember Diaz, second by Councilmember Souders, the C.O.W. moved a resolution approving Task Order No. 2025-06 with HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc., for the W. 5th Street and Grandridge Road Resurfacing to the January 13, 2026 regular Council meeting for consideration.

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- Councilmember Flores – Yes
- Councilmember Garibay-Rios – Yes
- Councilmember Moore – Yes
- Councilmember Ozuna – Absent
- Councilmember Rodriguez – Yes
- Councilmember Souders – Yes

D. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan Contract #DWL28174 Amendment Number 2 with the Washington State Department of Health to fund Water Storage Reservoir Improvements

The City applied for and received a Drinking Water State Resolving Fund Loan from the Washington State Department of Health in the amount of \$9,090,000.00 to fund Water Storage Reservoir Improvements.

Staff presented the Drinking Water State Resolving Fund Loan Contract #DWL28174 Amendment Number 2 between the Department of Health and the City for the Water Storage Reservoir Improvements. The amendment included the following:

- Recoat the degraded interior of the existing 3.0 MG reservoir and implement safety improvements including:
 - a. Replacing access ladders with new OSHA compliant ladders
 - b. Replace roof vent and access hatch
 - c. Upgrade safety features (railing, climbing harness system, etc.)
 - d. Replace level sensing line

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E. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an Encroachment Agreement with Northwest Pipeline LLC for work performed within the Williams easement as part of the Water Reservoir Improvements

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This Encroachment Agreement with Northwest Pipeline was to ensure that the City or its contractors do not work in and around the high-pressure gas main that was buried adjacent to the City's new reservoir site. Usually, these agreements were drafted and signed prior to work commencement, but Northwest Pipeline failed to get the agreement to the City until recently. The City would comply with all provisions within this agreement.

Discussion took place.

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On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Souders, the C.O.W. moved a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an Encroachment Agreement with Northwest Pipeline LLC for work performed within the Williams easement as part of the Water Reservoir Improvements to the January 13, 2026 regular Council meeting for consideration.

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F. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign Amendment No. 1 to the 2021 Interlocal Agreement between Yakima County and the City of Grandview for Municipal Court Services

On October 26, 2021, the City and Yakima County entered into a 5-year renewal agreement for Grandview Municipal Court Services from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2025.

The agreement with Yakima County for Municipal Court Services expired on December 31, 2025. The District Court requested the City enter into Amendment No. 1 to the 2021 Interlocal Agreement to continue said services through January 31, 2026. This was due to the fact that Yakima County had not finalized their 2026 budget figures to incorporate into a new agreement.

Discussion took place.

Staff recommended the C.O.W. move a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign Amendment No. 1 to the 2021 Interlocal Agreement between Yakima County and the City of Grandview for Municipal Court Services to the January 13, 2026 regular Council meeting for consideration.

On motion by Councilmember Garibay-Rios, second by Councilmember Moore, the C.O.W. moved a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign Amendment No. 1 to the 2021 Interlocal Agreement between Yakima County and the City of Grandview for Municipal Court Services to the January 13, 2026 regular Council meeting for consideration.

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4. CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND/OR STAFF REPORTS – None

5. MAYOR & COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS – None

6. ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Souders, the C.O.W. meeting adjourned 6:50 p.m.

Mayor Ashley Lara

Anita Palacios, City Clerk