

**GRANDVIEW CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2026**



PLEASE NOTE: The maximum occupancy of the Council Chambers is 49 individuals at one time. Access to exits must be kept clear to ensure everyone in the Chambers can safely exit in the event of an emergency.

This meeting will be held in person and will also be available via teleconference.

REGULAR MEETING – 7:00 PM

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Raelynn Gomez, 1st grade student at Harriet Thompson Elementary
- 3. APPROVE AGENDA**
- 4. PRESENTATIONS**
 - A. GHS Boys State Wrestling Team – Certificates of Extraordinary Achievement**
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT** – *The public may address the Council on any topic whether on the agenda or not, except those scheduled for public hearing. The public comment period is not an opportunity for dialogue with the Mayor and Councilmembers, or for posing questions with the expectation of an immediate answer. Many questions require an opportunity for information gathering and deliberation. For this reason, Council will accept comments, but will not directly respond to comments, questions or concerns during public comment. If you would like to address the Council, please step up to the microphone and give your name and address for the record. Your comments will be limited to three minutes.*
- 6. CONSENT AGENDA** – *Items on the Consent Agenda will be voted on together by the Council, unless a Councilmember requests that items be removed from the Consent Agenda and discussed and voted upon separately. An item removed from the Consent Agenda will be placed under Unfinished and New Business.*
 - A. Minutes of the April 14, 2026 Committee-of-the-Whole meeting**
 - B. Minutes of the April 14, 2026 Council meeting**
 - C. Payroll Check Nos. 14838-14850 in the amount of \$110,106.65**
 - D. Payroll Electronic Fund Transfers (EFT) Nos. 61871-61875 in the amount of \$105,919.94**
 - E. Payroll Direct Deposit 04/01/2026-04/15/2026 in the amount of \$169,586.67**
 - F. Claim Check Nos. 133304-133379 in the amount of \$820,270.60**
- 7. ACTIVE AGENDA** – *Items discussed at the 6:00 pm Committee-of-the-Whole meeting of an urgent or time sensitive nature may be added to the active agenda pursuant to City Council Procedures Manual Section 3.18(c).*
 - A. Ordinance No. 2026-04 amending Grandview Municipal Code Section 13.28.015 connection to domestic water system – domestic water capital cost recovery fee; Section 13.28.020 – meter installation charges, and Section 13.28.100 – connection to public sewer system – fee**

8. UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS
9. CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND/OR STAFF REPORTS
10. MAYOR & COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS
11. ADJOURNMENT

The City of Grandview Committee-of-the-Whole and Regular Council Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, April 28, 2026 at 6:00 pm and 7:00 pm will be held in person and will also be available via teleconference.

Please join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

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**GRANDVIEW CITY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 14, 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.

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, Public Works Director John Simmons and City Clerk Anita Palacios

Also present was City Engineer Jakob Michael with HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc.

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the Vortex Aquatic Structures International Contract #101625-VOR through Sourcewell Awarded Contract for the Grandview Splash Pad Project

The City has funding to construct a new Splash Pad located at Dykstra Park. This funding was a combination of both local funds and state appropriation that was received last year via the Local Community Project program at the Washington State Department of Commerce.

Staff has been working with Vortex to design the facility via a Sourcewell “piggy-back” contract. Sourcewell allows the City to legally use a competitively bid national contract instead of issuing a request for proposals (RFP). This saves time, reduces administrative costs, and still meets procurement requirements. For the Dykstra Park splash pad, it would allow the City to hire a qualified design-build contractor quickly and at competitive pricing.

A “piggyback” contract means the City can use a contract that was already competitively bid and awarded by another public agency (Sourcewell) instead of issuing its own RFP. Using Sourcewell, Grandview can procure a complete turnkey splash pad project.

Sourcewell has already:

- Developed and advertised a public RFP
- Evaluated proposals
- Awarded contracts to qualified vendors

Typical Scope Covered:

- Concept design & engineering
- Splash pad equipment (spray features, controls, recirculation systems)
- Concrete work & drainage
- ADA accessibility
- Installation and commissioning

Staff recommended the C.O.W. move a resolution Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the Vortex Aquatic Structures International Contract #101625-VOR through Sourcewell Awarded Contract for the Grandview Splash Pad Project to the April 14, 2026 regular Council meeting for consideration.

Discussion took place.

On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Souders, the C.O.W. moved a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the Vortex Aquatic Structures International Contract #101625-VOR through Sourcewell Awarded Contract for the Grandview Splash Pad Project to the April 14, 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

B. Water & Sewer Connection Fees

Currently, the City charges \$700.00 for a Sewer Connection Fee and \$686.00 for a Water Connection Fee. These fees have not been adjusted since 1997.

The City was proposing an adjustment to water and sewer connection fees to ensure the continued reliability, sustainability, and regulatory compliance of the City's utility systems. These one-time fees were charged to new development to help offset the cost of expanding infrastructure needed to serve growth.

Growth-Driven Infrastructure Demand

Grandview was experiencing significant residential and commercial growth, with multiple housing developments underway and additional projects in permitting. Each new connection increases demand on the City's water and sewer systems, including pipes, pump stations, storage, and treatment capacity.

Connection fees must reflect the true cost of providing this expanded capacity so that existing residents were not subsidizing growth.

Equity Between Existing and New Customers

Connection fees were designed to promote fairness. Existing residents and businesses have already invested in the system through past rates and taxes. Increasing connection fees ensures that growth pays for growth, current customers were not burdened with costs created by new development, and the City maintains a balanced and equitable utility funding structure, as well as financial sustainability and rate stability.

Properly structured connection fees help reduce long-term pressure on monthly utility rates. By collecting appropriate upfront contributions from new developments, the City can maintain adequate reserves for maintenance and emergencies, and support long-term financial planning and bond financing for major projects.

Alignment with Regional Practices

A review of comparable municipalities in Yakima County and across Washington State indicated that Grandview's current connection fees were below or not keeping pace with regional averages. Updating these fees ensures the City remains competitive while also fiscally responsible.

Conclusion

Adjusting water and sewer connection fees was a necessary and responsible step to ensure that Grandview can continue to grow in a sustainable manner while maintaining high-quality utility services. This approach protects existing residents, supports economic development, and ensures compliance with state and federal requirements.

Staff requested direction from Council on this matter and recommended either a 2-year or 3-year phased approach for implementing the new water and sewer connection fees.

Discussion took place.

Council consensus was to implement a 2-year phased approach and present a draft ordinance at the next C.O.W. meeting.

5. CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND/OR STAFF REPORTS

Public Works Department Mechanic – The City has hired an ASC-certified mechanic who has been successfully performing in-house vehicle maintenance to reduce costs, with plans to conduct a comparative analysis of savings and compensation.

City Facility Tours – It was suggested to include City facility tours during the upcoming Council retreat, allowing Council to see department operations firsthand.

6. MAYOR & COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Unsung Hero Committee – Council reviewed plans for establishing an Unsung Hero program, including a committee structure with two Councilmember and three community members appointed by the City Council, along with criteria and scoring scales for award nominations. Next steps included finalizing committee appointments and developing a formal proposal for the award program.

Washington State Office of Equity – Megan Matthews, Director of the Washington State Office of Equity, was the guest speaker at the April 8th Grandview Rotary meeting.

7. ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Souders, the C.O.W. meeting adjourned 6:55 p.m.

Mayor Ashley Lara

Anita Palacios, City Clerk

**GRANDVIEW CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 14, 2026**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ashley Lara called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

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

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

Present via teleconference: None

Absent: Councilmember Robert Ozuna

On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Souders, Council excused Councilmember Ozuna from the meeting.

Vote:

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

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Angel Hernandez, 5th grade student at McClure Elementary, led the pledge of allegiance.

3. APPROVE AGENDA

On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Rodriguez, Council approved the April 14, 2026 meeting agenda as presented.

Vote:

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

4. PRESENTATIONS

A. GHS Girls State Wrestling Team – Certificates of Extraordinary Achievement

Mayor Lara presented Certificates of Extraordinary Achievement to the following GHS Girls Wrestling Team members who placed at State: Zayana Montejano – 105, Aleksya Cardenas – 110, Heidy Larios Verduzco – 115 State Champion, Brianna Barriga – 115, Camila Ramirez – 145, Lizbeth Montano – 155, and Tatiana Tovar – 190 5th place.

B. 2026 Arbor Day Proclamation

Mayor Lara proclaimed April 22, 2026 as Arbor Day in the City of Grandview and urged all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

6. CONSENT AGENDA

On motion by Councilmember Rodriguez, second by Councilmember Souders, Council approved the Consent Agenda consisting of the following:

- A. Minutes of the March 24, 2026 Committee-of-the-Whole meeting**
- B. Minutes of the March 24, 2026 Council meeting**
- C. Payroll Check Nos. 14818-14837 in the amount of \$23,660.09**
- D. Payroll Electronic Fund Transfers (EFT) Nos. 61859-61865 in the amount of \$120,774.49**
- E. Payroll Direct Deposit 03/16/2026-03/31/2026 in the amount of \$183,635.01**
- F. Claim Check Nos. 133192-133303 in the amount of \$360,983.48**

Vote:

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

7. ACTIVE AGENDA

- A. Resolution No. 2026-26 authorizing the Mayor to sign the Vortex Aquatic Structures International Contract #101625-VOR through Sourcewell Awarded Contract for the Grandview Splash Pad Project**

This item was previously discussed at the April 14, 2026 C.O.W. meeting.

On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Souders, Council approved Resolution No. 2026-26 authorizing the Mayor to sign the Vortex Aquatic Structures International Contract #101625-VOR through Sourcewell Awarded Contract for the Grandview Splash Pad Project.

Vote:

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

8. UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS – None

9. CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND/OR STAFF REPORTS – None

10. MAYOR & COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Community Concerns – Council addressed several community concerns including a semi-truck trailer parked on the side of the West Wine Country Road by the I-82 overpass, potential water rationing due to drought, garbage accumulation on the railroad tracks near the swimming pool, and impacts on school capacity due to new residential developments.

YVC Giving Day – Yakima Valley College's Giving Day event was scheduled for April 22nd. The Giving Day supports student emergency funds.

11. ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Rodriguez, the Council meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Mayor Ashley Lara

Anita Palacios, City Clerk

ORDINANCE 2026-04

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRANDVIEW, WASHINGTON,
AMENDING GRANDVIEW MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 13.28.015 CONNECTION
TO DOMESTIC WATER SYSTEM – DOMESTIC WATER CAPITAL COST
RECOVERY FEE.; SECTION 13.28.020 – METER INSTALLATION CHARGES, AND
SECTION 13.28.100 – CONNECTION TO PUBLIC SEWER SYSTEM – FEE**

WHEREAS, Sections 13.28.015, 13.28.020 and 13.28.100 provide for water and sewer connection fees; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that amending Sections 13.28.015, 13.28.020 and 13.28.100 of the Grandview Municipal Code to increase water and sewer connection fees is in the best interest of the City of Grandview to ensure the continued reliability, sustainability and regulatory compliance of the City's utility systems;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRANDVIEW DO
ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Section 13.28.015 Connection to domestic water system – Domestic water capital cost recovery fee of the Grandview Municipal Code, which reads as follows:

Section 13.28.015 Connection to domestic water system – Domestic water capital cost recovery fee.

There shall be a water capital cost recovery charge for each new water service connection, as required in GMC Section 13.24.020, in the sum of \$110.00 per each unit of use.

(Ord. 1492 § 1, 1997)

is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 13.28.015 Connection to domestic water system – Domestic water capital cost recovery fee.

Starting July 1, 2026, there shall be a water capital cost recovery charge for each new water service connection, as required in GMC Section 13.24.020, in the sum of \$1,837.00 per equivalent residential unit (ERU). Starting July 1, 2027, the water capital cost recovery charge shall be increased to \$2,987.00 per ERU.

Section 2. Section 13.28.020 – Meter installation charges of the Grandview Municipal Code, which reads as follows:

Section 13.28.020 – Meter installation charges.

Meter installation and domestic water charges shall be as follows: Before water service is installed and water supplied, the property owner shall pay to the city treasurer a ready-to-serve charge as follows:

A. The basic charge for each meter of various sizes as shall be determined by resolution of the council, passed not less often than once each year and reflecting the acquisition cost of meters and couplings to the city together with installation costs.

B. Additional charges based on cost to the city, plus 10 percent, shall be made where permanent street surfacing and sidewalks are disturbed or passed under by service lines, and where the meter is more than 40 feet from a water main in the street, nine feet from a water main in the alley, or more than five feet from the tap in the water main on private property.

(1964 code § 11.32.020)

is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 13.28.020 – Meter installation charges.

The charges for new residential water service connection fees that include labor, overhead, and materials shall be in full payment for original installation and maintenance. The cost for the installation of a residential water service is \$1,500.00 per connection.

Section 3. Section 13.28.100 – Connection to public sewer system – Fee of the Grandview Municipal Code, which reads as follows:

Section 13.28.100 – Connection to public sewer system – Fee.

There shall be a charge of \$700.00, including inspection fee, for each new connection to the public sewer system per residential unit (said fees shall not include the cost of labor or material in making such connection), except as follows:

A. When connection is made to a sewer trunk line constructed by a local improvement district established after January 1, 1965, for the disposition of sewage, the following schedule shall apply:

1. When such connection is made to service property within the original boundaries of a local improvement district and the assessments for payment of cost of the local improvement were based on a per-connection and not a front-foot or square-foot charge, then the charge for each additional connection shall be equal to the original per-connection assessment, plus an inspection fee of \$20.00.

2. When such connection is made to serve property within the boundaries of a local improvement district to serve property which was assessed for

payment of costs of the local improvement on a per-front-foot or square-foot basis, the charge shall be an inspection fee of \$20.00.

3. When such connection is made to serve property outside the boundaries of such a local improvement district, through trunk sewer lines of said district, the charge shall be computed on the same basis as was used to establish the assessments within the district for payment of the cost of the local improvement, plus an inspection fee of \$20.00.

B. If the property owner is required to construct at his own expense a trunk sewer line to serve not less than two users, to make the connection, the charge for each service connection to said trunk sewer line shall be \$700.00, including the inspection fee.

(1964 code § 11.32.100; Ord. 1183 § 1, 1987; Ord. 1491 § 1, 1997)

is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 13.28.100 – Connection to public sewer system – Fee.

Starting July 1, 2026, there shall be a sewer capital cost recovery charge of \$2,651.00, including an inspection fee of \$20.00, for each new connection to the public sewer system per equivalent residential unit (ERU). Starting July 1, 2027, the sewer capital cost recovery charge shall be increased to \$4,622.00 per ERU.

Section 4. Except as amended herein, Chapter 13.28 of the Grandview Municipal Code shall remain unchanged.

Section 5. This ordinance shall be effective five days after passage, approval and publication as required by law.

PASSED by the **CITY COUNCIL** and **APPROVED** by the **MAYOR** at its regular meeting on April 28, 2026.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY ATTORNEY

PUBLICATION: 04/29/2026

EFFECTIVE: 05/04/2026