

**City Council  
November 26, 2024**

Mayor Burkett called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Smith, Anderson, Arsanto, Burbank, Bergerson, and Green

**Council member Green moved to excuse Council member Bender. Council member Bergerson seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Also present were: City Administrator Brunell, Public Works Director Banks, City Engineer Miller, City Clerk Zumek, Utility Worker Wilson, Utility Worker Mickelson, Senior Planner Farnsworth, Mechanic Summers, Asst. Police Chief Northam, Utility Worker Reedy, Utility Worker Lead Rice, Support Services Officer Sutphin, Public Works Supervisor Dansby, Police Records Clerk Burkett, Permit Tech Rohner, Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisor Doty, Court Administrator Cash (via Zoom), and Utility Worker Meier.

Mayor Burkett asked if there were any other additions, deletions, or changes to the agenda.

**Council member Arsanto moved to approve the agenda as amended. Council member Green seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

**James Ricks** – Mr. Ricks shared that he is a Senior Center Board member and a long-time resident of Buckley. He came to the meeting to share his dissatisfaction with the loss of Chloe at the Senior Center; however, he now wanted to thank the Mayor for his phone calls and the transparency of the City. He also wanted to wish Chloe the best in her future endeavors.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Burkett shared that the grand opening of McDonalds is on December 7<sup>th</sup> with a ribbon cutting at 11:45 AM.

**Citizen's Advisory Commission**

Council member Anderson shared that the Commission met last Monday and worked on the Certified Local Government Policy and the 2025 work plan.

### **Council Member Comments & Good of the Order:**

Council member Green shared that PCRC met last Thursday and held their annual elections, Council member Green will remain as Vice President.

Council member Smith shared that he has a good relationship with the newly elected Pierce County Sheriff and would be happy to be a conduit if anyone should need it.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Council Member Arsanto moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Council member Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Approve Minutes of May 7, 2024, City Council Study Session  
Approve Minutes of June 11, 2024, City Council Study Session  
Approve Minutes of July 9, 2024, City Council Meeting  
Approve Minutes of July 23, 2024, City Council Meeting  
Approve Minutes of August 13, 2024, City Council Meeting  
Approve Minutes of September 10, 2024, City Council Meeting  
Approve Minutes of September 24, 2024, City Council Meeting  
Approve Minutes of October 8, 2024, City Council Meeting  
Approve Minutes of October 15, 2024, Special City Council Study Session

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

#### **Public Hearing: 2025-2026 Final Budget**

**Mayor Burkett convened the Public Hearing at 6:10 PM.**

**Upon no testimony, Mayor Burkett closed the Public Hearing and reconvened the Council meeting at 6: 11 PM.**

#### **ORD No. 12-24: Adopting the 2025 Regular Property Tax Levy**

**Council member Arsanto moved to Approve Ordinance No. 12-24 Adopting the 2025 Regular Property Tax Levy. Council member Green seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried 6/0.**

#### **ORD No. 13-24: Adopting the 2025 EMS Tax Levy**

**Council member Arsanto moved to Approve Ordinance No. 13-24 Adopting the 2025 EMS Tax Levy. Council member Bergerson seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried 6/0.**

**ORD No. 14-24: Setting the 2025 Levy Amount Required for the 2010 Unlimited General Obligation Bonds Used for the Fire Station Construction**

**Council member Arsanto moved to Approve Ordinance No. 14-24 Setting the 2025 Levy Amount Required for the Voter Approved 2010 Unlimited General Obligation Bonds for Fire Station Construction Financing. Council member Smith seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried 6/0.**

**ORD No. 15-24: Adopting the 2025-2026 Budget**

**Council member Arsanto moved to Approve Ordinance No. 15-24 Adopting the 2025-2026 Budget. Council member Green seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried 6/0.**

**Consultant Agreement with Gray & Osborne for SR-410 Corridor Study**

**Council member Arsanto moved to Approve the Consultant Agreement with Gray & Osborne for the SR 410 Corridor Study. Council member Green seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**Interlocal Agreement with West Pierce Fire & Rescue for EMT School Services**

**Council member Arsanto moved to Approve the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Buckley and West Pierce Fire & Rescue for EMT School Services. Council member Green seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**Emergency Medical Services Agreement with Olympic Ambulance**

**Council member Arsanto moved to Approve the Emergency Medical Services Agreement with Olympic Ambulance. Council member Bergerson seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**STAFF REPORTS**

**City Administrator Update (Comp Plan)** – City Administrator Brunell shared a memo with some updates to the Comprehensive Plan. She also shared that Council will review it one more time at the December 3<sup>rd</sup> Study Session prior to adoption. She also shared that she has heard from recently elected Representative Penner and her and the Mayor will be meeting with him next week.

**Public Works** – Director Banks shared that the City had just received notice that we will be receiving a \$398,000 grant from TIB for the West Mason overlay project.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

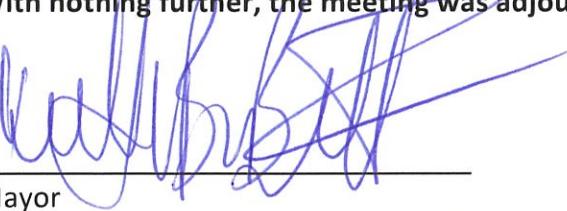
Mayor Burkett wanted to remind folks that the City is always looking for new Street names so if you know of a name that should be included on the list, please let the City know.

**James Ricks** – Mr. Ricks shared that the space at the Senior Center is limited and he was hoping that when the City Hall remodel is complete, that the Senior Center may be able to use part of the other side of the Multi-Purpose Center. He also shared his concern regarding the sidewalk where the Senior Center van drops off and picks up.

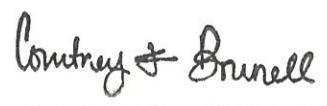
Mayor Burkett announced that immediately following the Council meeting, the Council will be going into a closed session to discuss Labor Negotiations, and everyone must leave the room.

**Council member Arsanto moved to adjourn. Council member Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**With nothing further, the meeting was adjourned at 6:34 PM.**



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Mayor



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Courtney Brunell

City Administrator

Prepared by: Treva Zumeck, City Clerk