

CLARKSTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
June 8, 2026

ROLL CALL: Skate Pierce, Russ Evans, Robin Albers, Sheila McDougall, Sarah Reaves and David Wilson. Pat Holman absence was excused on MOTION BY EVANS/MCDOUGALL. Motion Carried.

STAFF: Clerk Frost, Chief Daniel, Chief White, PWD Dimmick and Attorney Richardson

AGENDA CHANGES: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the May 26, 2026, Regular Meeting were approved as distributed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. From the Public: None.

B. From the Mayor Pro Tem: Mayor Pro Tem Albers reminded everyone that this is her last meeting and applications for the vacant council seat will be forthcoming. Councilmember Pierce presented Councilmember Albers with a plaque for her service as a councilmember from August 2021 to June 2026. Mayor Pro Tem Albers commented on the motion passed late 2025 in regards to the 3-5 year budget outlook. She asked Clerk Frost if a good starting point for that would be by budget season. Clerk Frost agreed.

C. From Staff or Employees: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance/Admin: Total expenditures for the June 8, 2026, period of \$562,752.45. MOTION BY MCDOUGALL/WILSON to approve the paying of the bills. Motion Carried.

Public Safety: Mayor Pro Tem Albers advised that the minutes were included in the packet.

Public Works: Mayor Pro Tem Albers advised that the minutes were included in the packet.

Ad Hoc: Mayor Pro Tem Albers advised that the minutes were included in the packet.

Outside Organizations: Mayor Pro Tem Albers advised that any minutes were included in the packet.

CONSENT AGENDA: MOTION BY PIERCE/EVANS to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

A. Special Event Permit, Edible Sensory Play – Asotin Co Library (Public Works)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Discussion of Abatement at 812 9th Street Attorney Richardson started the discussion by notifying Council that the progress on the property has gone backwards and changed for the worse. Attorney Richardson asked Council to authorize abatement at the property and file a lien. Discussion continued regarding abatement in the Clarkston Municipal Code (CMC) and the interest the City can charge on the abatement fees. Cheryl Yarbrough arrived and commented that “it’s all done.” Ms. Yarbrough shared pictures of the front yard and porch with Chief Daniel. Chief Daniel agreed that the front side of the house looked better than that morning when CPD reviewed the progress. Councilmember Wilson and McDougall continued discussion on the front yard progress with Ms. Yarbrough. Attorney Richardson explained that “out of sight, out of mind” does not meet CMC. Mayor Pro Tem Albers commented on the City’s willingness to give Ms. Yarbrough two more weeks to get help and get

the whole property cleaned up. Ms. Yarbrough agreed she would try. Council agreed to review this again at the next meeting, June 22, 2026. Attorney Richardson would get quotes on the cost of abatement. CPD will monitor the progress by taking drone pictures tomorrow and then again on the morning of June 22nd for everyone to review.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Selection of Mayor Pro Tempore MOTION BY EVANS/WILSON to appoint Councilmember Reaves as Mayor Pro Tempore. No other nominations were received. Motion Carried

B. Resolution 2026-08, Lodging Tax Funding Policy and Procedures (Finance/Admin) Clerk Frost read the Resolution by title. MOTION BY WILSON/REAVES to approve the Resolution. Motion Carried.

C. Contract Assignment & Assumption – Horizon Housing Alliance (Finance/Admin) Attorney Richardson thanked Horizon Housing Alliance for working through this process with the City and explained the contract. MOTION BY REAVES/PIERCE to approve the Contract Assignment and Assumption. Motion Carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Councilmember Evans asked for an update on the number of eBike accidents from Captain Tietz. Tietz commented that there have been around 10 eBike, motorcycle and scooter accidents. Councilmember Evans asked if any were fatal. Tietz answered no but 75% resulted in transportation to the hospital. Councilmember Wilson asked if Tri-State Hospital recorded the number of bike accidents they handle. Councilmember Reaves commented she could get that information. Councilmember Albers thanked city staff, City Attorney Richardson, her fellow councilmembers and Mayor. She gave her 3 take-aways from being a councilmember; understanding the budget, asking questions and collaborating with one another. Councilmember Wilson presented the idea of a Tourism Promotion Area (TPA) to help generate tourism revenue. His idea is to have Planning and Zoning research port areas and other TPAs. Attorney Richardson suggested that Planning and Zoning isn't the appropriate committee as it is not a zoning issue. Discussion was tabled and will be on the agenda at the next council meeting.

PRESS QUESTIONS: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Pro Tem Albers advised that Council would be entering into Executive Session regarding contract renegotiation at 6:21pm. This session is expected to last 10 minutes, and no decision will be made as a result of the meeting. At 6:31pm Council returned to regular session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 6:32pm.

Rachel Frost, City Clerk

Monika Lawrence, Mayor

Total Fund Expenditures 6/8/26	Ck #82425-82482	\$237,503.02
Payroll 6/5/26	Ck #82400-82424	\$325,249.43