

Anacortes City Council Minutes - February 3, 2025

Call to Order

Mayor Matt Miller called to order the Anacortes City Council meeting of February 3, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. Councilmembers TJ Fantini, Ryan Walters, Anthony Young, Christine Cleland-McGrath, Carolyn Moulton, and Bruce McDougall were present. Council member Amanda Hubik participated in the meeting remotely via Zoom.

Pledge of Allegiance

The assembly joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Executive Session

Potential Litigation or Litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) (20 minutes)

Mayor Miller announced at 6:02 pm the Council would be going into Executive Session as allowed per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), to discuss potential litigation for approximately 20 minutes.

At 6:22 pm, Mayor Miller and City Council returned and resumed the regular meeting.

Mr. Walters moved, seconded by Mr. Young to amend the agenda to add item 3.a. to consider resolution of the lawsuit between the City and Shadow Creek Investments LLC and Jerod Barth.

Announcements and Committee Reports

Mayor Miller announced that weather maintenance is not applied to Washington Park Loop and Erie Mountain Drive, which were closed to motorists due to inclement weather. He then advised citizens that solid waste pickup could be affected by the weather and that updated schedules could be found on the city website [Solid Waste Services](#) page. Mayor Miller then announced that 2025 is the centennial of the name of the Anacortes High School Seahawks, which will be recognized by the Anacortes School District at halftime of the basketball game on February 6th. He finally announced that the city had received a bicycle friendly silver award from the League of American Bicyclists.

Settlement Agreement in the Matter of Shadow Creek Investments LLC and Jerod Barth v. City of Anacortes

City Attorney Darcy Swetnam introduced the proposed settlement agreement between the city and Shadow Creek Investments LLC and Jerod Barth, recommending that the Council approve the agreement.

Ryan Walters moved, seconded by Bruce McDougall, to authorize attorneys for the city to execute the settlement agreement in the matter of Shadow Creek Investments LLC and Jerod Barth v. City of Anacortes in Court of Appeals case #86285-5.

Vote: Ayes - Carolyn Moulton, Anthony Young, Ryan Walters, Christine Cleland-McGrath, Bruce McDougall, Amanda Hubik, TJ Fantini. Nays - None. Abstentions - None. Result: Passed

Public Works Committee

Mr. Walters reported from the Public Works Committee meeting held right before the Council meeting. The topics discussed included traffic safety items that will come before the Council at a future date.

Fiber Committee

Mr. McDougall reported from the Fiber Committee meeting held the previous week. The topics discussed included current financial status, take rate, and projections for the coming year and beyond.

Mr. Fantini thanked the Parks Department for continuing the conversation regarding a potential west side park. He added that next steps are for the Parks Department to come up with a concept and identify funding for the

project. He then announced that on February 25th at 6pm at the Anacortes Public Library that he and Port Commissioner Bonnie Bowers would hold a joint town hall meeting.

Public Comment

Mayor Miller invited the public to comment on any item not on the agenda. Public comment was given as follows:

Linda Martin of Anacortes spoke about the Capital Facilities Plan, specifically regarding a new park in the west end of the city. Mr. Walters asked that a written response be provided to Ms. Martin's concerns.

Xuhua Mu of Anacortes also spoke about the community meeting where a new west end park was discussed and communication between the city and the public.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Young moved, seconded by Mr. McDougall, to approve the following Consent Agenda items. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

a. Minutes of January 27, 2025

b. Approval of claims in the amount of \$1,134,487.41

The following vouchers/checks were approved for payment:

EFT numbers: 111595 through 111633, total \$920,121.41

Check numbers: 111594 & 111634 through 111653, total \$179,201.27

Wire transfer numbers: 362408 through 362702, total \$35,164.73

c. Contract Award: On-Call Transportation Engineering Services #25-046-ENG-001

d. Contract Modification: Sanitary Sewer Maintenance Reduction #24-297-SEW-001

e. Contract Modification: Generator Replacement Project #24-151-ERR-001

Other Business

Contract Award: Street/Storm Sweeper Purchase #25-048-ERR-001

Public Works Operations Manager WiL Ludemann presented a contract #25-048-ERR-001 for the purchase of a street / storm sweeper. Mr. Ludemann explained that existing replacement money would be used and that having a second sweeper would save on rental fees that are currently being spent on performing street cleaning duties after a significant mechanical failure in the existing unit. He added that the new street sweeper would be able to treat areas that are inaccessible to the existing larger unit.

Discussion topics included:

- Extended service life of the existing unit after repair. Purchase of a second unit in three years.
- Pass-through funding from the Department of Ecology.
- Including both sweepers in the replacement fund.
- Cost of full-size sweeper and staffing requirements.
- Service life on the new sweeper.

Anthony Young moved, seconded by Amanda Hubik, to authorize the mayor to sign contract #25-048-ERR-001 with Enviro-Clean Equipment, LLC for the purchase of a street / storm sweeper.

Vote: Ayes - Carolyn Moulton, Anthony Young, Ryan Walters, Christine Cleland-McGrath, Bruce McDougall, Amanda Hubik, TJ Fantini. Nays - None. Abstentions - None. Result: Passed

Adjournment

There being no further business, at approximately 6:47 pm the Anacortes City Council meeting of February 3, 2025 was adjourned.