

CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING AGENDA



City of Lake Stevens Vision Statement

By 2030, we are a sustainable community around the lake with a vibrant economy, unsurpassed infrastructure and exceptional quality of life.

June 17, 2025 - 6:00 PM

City Council Workshop Meeting

In person: The Mill, Sawyers Room, 1808 Main Street, Lake Stevens

or Join via Zoom: [Zoom Link](#) Passcode: 585456

or call in at (253) 215-8782 Meeting ID: 89515221440 Passcode: 585456

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Discussion Items**
 - A. America's 250 Year Anniversary Update Anya Warrington
 - B. Council Retreat Planning Caitlin Weaver
 - C. Parks Sales Tax Levy Sarah Garceau
- 3. Executive Session - Confidential Session of the Council per RCW 42.30.110**
 - A. Confidential Session-Potential Litigation
- 4. Adjourn**

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND

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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT



Agenda Date: 6/17/2025

Subject: America's 250 Year Anniversary Update

Contact Person/Department: Anya Warrington, Administration

Budget Impact:

Legal Review: No

RECOMMENDATION(S)/ACTION REQUESTED:

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

Background: The state has initiated a call to action regarding the upcoming 250th anniversary of America. However, due to budget constraints, the state will not be organizing any events and is encouraging local governments to take the lead in celebrating this milestone.

Summary: The State has communicated this information to the historical society. While awaiting a response, the City Administrator has also sent an email to follow up on this matter. The state prefers that the city take the lead in organizing the celebrations, however, the historical society has also expressed interest.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council discuss and decide on the level of involvement and the specific activities the city should undertake to celebrate America's 250th anniversary. The Council should also consider the historical society's preference for a supportive role and determine how best to collaborate with them.

Some ideas gathered by staff are:

- 1) Putting up banners on street lighting to commemorate the anniversary.
- 2) If the city decides to organize a 4th of July firework event, it could serve as a tribute to the 250th anniversary simultaneously.

APPLICABLE CITY POLICIES:

ATTACHMENTS:

None

CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT



Agenda Date: 6/17/2025

Subject: Parks Sales Tax Levy

Contact Person/Department: Sarah Garceau, Parks Department

Budget Impact: Revenue is projected at \$1.6m per year for 10 years.

Legal Review: No

RECOMMENDATION(S)/ACTION REQUESTED:

Discuss and provide feedback.

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

The Council previously gave consent for the City to put forth to the voters a 2/10ths of one percent sales and use tax to support parks and recreational purposes. The revenues from the tax prioritize increasing the service level of parks and recreational services and responding to community needs.

The sales and use tax would be in effect for 10 years and would bring in an estimated \$1.6 million per year. No more than 20% of funds would go towards operating costs, while at least 80% would be used for capital projects.

Projects include but are not limited to the following:

- Acquire the Lake Stevens Community Park from the County.
 - Install lighting on the sports fields at Lake Stevens Community Park.
 - Improve sports fields by adding synthetic turf.
 - Replace the playground at Cavalero Hill Park
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- Remodel or replace the restroom buildings at Davies Beach and Lundeen Park, bringing them into ADA Compliance and updating the aging infrastructure.

An overview of the process and timelines is as follows:

1. Council to review and give feedback on the levy and list of projects - June 17th.
2. The City Attorney will review the Resolution, Explanatory Statement and advertising for the Pros and Cons Committee.
3. City Council reviews and approves the Sales and Use Tax Resolution and Explanatory Statement - June 24th.
4. Advertise for Pro and Con Committee
5. Appoint members to the Pro and Con Committee
6. Submit approved ballot measure to the County Elections Office - Deadline for filing August 5th.

APPLICABLE CITY POLICIES:

ATTACHMENTS:

None