

Lowell City Council
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, January 3, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Lowell City Hall – Multi-Purpose Room
70 N. Pioneer St., Lowell, OR 97452

Members of the public are encouraged to provide comment or testimony through the following:

- Joining in person or by phone, tablet, or PC. For details, click on the event at www.ci.lowell.or.us.
 - In writing, by using the drop box at Lowell City Hall, 107 East Third Street, Lowell, OR 97452.
 - By email to: admin@ci.lowell.or.us.
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Regular Meeting Agenda

Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

Councilors: Mayor Bennett ___ Harris ___ Stratis ___ Weathers ___ Murray ___

Approval of Agenda

Oath of Office

1. The City Recorder will administer the oath of office to newly elected City Councilors

Election of Officers

1. Election of Mayor – Discussion/ Action
2. Election of Council President – Discussion/ Action

Consent Agenda

Council members may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda to be discussed as the first business item of the meeting.

The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or other accommodations for persons with disabilities must be made at least 48 hours before the meeting to City Clerk Sam Dragt at 541-937-2157.

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Public Comments

Speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes. The Council may ask questions but will not engage in discussion or make decisions based on public comment at this time. The Mayor may direct the City Administrator to follow up on comments received. When called, please state your name and address for the record.

Direct all comments to the Council through the Mayor. All speakers are expected to be polite, courteous, and respectful when making their comments. Personal attacks, insults, profanity, and inflammatory comments will not be permitted.

Council Comments (three minutes per speaker)

Staff Reports

Public Hearings

Old Business

1. Second reading and approval of Ordinance #307, "An ordinance to amend sections 2.505, 2.506, 2.507, and 2.634 of the Lowell Revised Code relating to the Lowell public library concept of operations and power and duties of the Library Committee." – Discussion/ Possible action
 - a. Second reading in full of Ordinance #307
 - b. The public hearing is now open at ____ (state time)
 - c. Staff report – City Administrator Jeremy Caudle
 - d. Public comment
 - e. The public hearing is now closed at ____ (state time)
 - f. Vote to approve Ordinance #307

2. Second reading and approval of Ordinance #308, "An ordinance to amend section 5.106 of the Lowell Revised Code relating to open burning." – Discussion/ Possible action
 - a. Second reading in full of Ordinance #308
 - b. The public hearing is now open at ____ (state time)
 - c. Staff report – City Administrator Jeremy Caudle
 - d. Public comment
 - e. The public hearing is now closed at ____ (state time)
 - f. Vote to approve Ordinance #308

New Business

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1. Motion to approve Resolution #797, "A resolution adopting guiding principles for the City Council." Discussion/ Possible action
Council sponsor: Don Bennett
2. Motion to approve an "Agreement for improvements" with Jerry and Julie Valencia, pursuant to the conditions of approval in land use application 2022-02, and to authorize the Mayor to sign. – Discussion/ Possible action

Other Business

1. Reminder of annual goal-setting session to take place Saturday, January 21 at 9:00 am. The location is the 70 N. Pioneer St. conference room.

Mayor Comments

Community Comments: Limited to two (2) minutes if prior to 9:30 P.M.

Recess the Regular Meeting. Executive Session to follow.

Executive Session Agenda (estimated 15 minutes)

Executive Sessions are closed to the public. Representatives of the news media and designated staff may attend Executive Sessions. Representatives of the news media are specifically directed not to report on any of the deliberations during the Executive Session, except to state the general subject of the session as previously announced. No decision will be made in this executive session. At the end of the executive session, we will return to open session and welcome the audience back into the room.

Call to Order/Roll Call

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Executive Session:

This executive session is being held pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(i), to review and evaluate the employment-related performance of an employee or staff member.

Adjourn the Executive Session

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Reconvene the Regular Meeting

Upon returning to the Regular Meeting, the City Council may act on the following item:

1. Library Director salary adjustment based on the results of the 6-month performance review. – Discussion/ Possible action

Adjourn the Regular Meeting