



Regular City Council Meeting

Monday, July 13, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. OPENING ITEMS

- A. Call to Order
- B. Invocation
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Public Input-

Jake Mendez- addresses traffic light cameras for pedestrian safety.

Jessica Melo- concern about an incident that occurred during the 4th of July event by a Chamber of Commerce member

- E. Roll Call

Council:

Ken Johnson
Alma Carmona
Marc Spohr
Kelli Camp
Chris Dorow
Angel Garza

Motion to excuse Councilmember Mark Snyder.

Moved by: Angel Garza; seconded by: Chris Dorow

Motion Carries 6-0

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda.

Moved by: Kelli Camp; seconded by: Alma Carmona

Motion Carries 6-0

- 3. **CONSENT AGENDA:** The following items will be enacted by one motion. If separate discussion is desired, that item may be placed on the regular agenda, with concurrence of the Council. Requests to remove items should be made under Agenda Item 2: Approval of Agenda.

Motion to approve consent agenda.

Moved by: Angel Garza; seconded by: Chris Dorow

Motion Carries 6-0

- A. Approve City Council Minutes for June 22, 2026

[2026.06.22.Draft.pdf](#) 

- B. Approve Accounts Payables

Accounts Payable was audited and certified by the Auditing Officer, as required by RCW 42.24.080; and those expense reimbursement claims certified and as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing that has been reviewed by the Council audit committee and is available to the Council.

Accounts Payable Check No. 63664 to No. 63760 in the amount of \$438,439.33.

Manual Checks No. 5630 to 5631 in the amount of \$175.00

- C. Approve Payroll and Related Expenses

Payroll and Related Expenses Check No. 33557 to No. 33568 in the amount of \$693,731.30.

4. CURRENT BUSINESS

- A. Swear in of Sergeant Martin Garza

- B. Appointment of Jaime Mendoza to Assistant Chief of Police

- C. Continued Pre-Annexation Discussion

[Pre.annexation.agreement.continuation.pdf](#) 

Council continued discussion on fire district annexation and options for retaining the City's current property tax levy. Previous discussions and information provided by consultants were reviewed, and Council discussed potential next steps. No action was taken.

Motion to amend the agenda to move item F to item D.

Moved by: Chris Dorow; seconded by: Kelli Camp

Motion Carries 6-0

- D. Adopt Ordinance 1651 Granting a 10-Year Franchise to NFC Northwest

[Agenda.Memo.NFC.Franchise.Agreement.pdf](#) 

[1651.Ordinance.Granting.NFC.10.year.franchise.pdf](#) 

[2026.07.13.Exhibit.A.Agreement..pdf](#) 

Staff presented the first reading of an ordinance granting NFC Northwest, LLC a ten-year, non-exclusive franchise to locate, operate, and maintain fiber optic infrastructure within the City's public rights-of-way. The ordinance was introduced as required by state law, with a second reading scheduled for a future meeting. No action was taken following the first reading.

Adopt Resolution 2026.06 Declaring Surplus of City Fire Truck

[Agenda.Memo.Fire.Truck.Surplus.pdf](#) 

[2026.06.Resolution.Declaring.Surplus.of.Fire.Apparatus.pdf](#)  [Fire.Truck.jpg](#) 

[Fire.truck.offical.metal.plate.jpg](#) 

Motion to adopt Resolution 2026-06 Declaring Surplus of Fire Apparatus.

Moved by: Alma Carmona; seconded by: Kelli Camp

Motion Carries 6-0

F. Surplus Discussion of Library Building 101 E Main St

[Agenda.Memo.Surplus.Discussion.Library.101.E.Main.St.pdf](#) 

[Remax.NW.Price.Opinion.pdf](#) 

Staff presented information on the potential surplus of the former library property at 101 E. Main Street. Council discussed the property's ongoing maintenance costs, appraised value, and the potential benefits of selling the property to encourage private investment and downtown economic development. No action was taken.

G. Award Contract for the Kiwanis Park Trails Project

[Agenda.Memo.Award.Kiwanis.Park.Trails.Project.pdf](#)  [Bid.Summary.pdf](#) 

Motion to award the Kiwanis Park Trails Project to Granite Construction Company in the amount of \$248,031.73.

Moved by: Kelli Camp; seconded by: Alma Carmona

Motion Carries 6-0

5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was none.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

Council member Camp requested bank statement to be provided on meeting agendas and encouraged Council to attend the AWC Conference next year.

Council member Spohr had a question on payables about a consultant bill and mentioned his constituents ask that Fireworks be banned.

7. COUNCIL WILL ALSO RECEIVE

A. Building & Planning Report - June

[June.Building.Planning.Report.pdf](#) 

B. Othello Police Department Report - June

[Othello.Police.Department.June.pdf](#) 

C. Public Works / Engineering Report - June

[PublicWorks.Engineering.June.pdf](#) 

Adjourned at 7:43 pm.

By: Ken Johnson
Ken Johnson (Aug 20, 2026 08:04:01 PDT)

Ken Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: Tania Morelos

Tania Morelos, City Clerk

2026.07.13.Draft

Final Audit Report

2026-08-20

Created:	2026-08-19
By:	Tania Morelos (tmorelos@othellowa.gov)
Status:	Signed
Transaction ID:	CBJCHBCAABAAbJ66Lijx5l6V3GXNBWPwGMO_cvWROnFp

"2026.07.13.Draft" History

-  Document created by Tania Morelos (tmorelos@othellowa.gov)
2026-08-19 - 10:35:51 PM GMT
-  Document emailed to Ken Johnson (kjohnson@othellowa.gov) for signature
2026-08-19 - 10:35:55 PM GMT
-  Email viewed by Ken Johnson (kjohnson@othellowa.gov)
2026-08-19 - 10:36:48 PM GMT
-  Document e-signed by Ken Johnson (kjohnson@othellowa.gov)
Signature Date: 2026-08-20 - 3:04:01 PM GMT - Time Source: server - Signature Appearance Selected: TYPE
-  Agreement completed.
2026-08-20 - 3:04:01 PM GMT