



CITY OF ROYAL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES December 16, 2025

The City Council of the City of Royal City, Grant County, Washington, met in regular session on December 16, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Piercy.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Piercy, Councilmembers Fanning, Garcia, Rodriguez and Kannely. A motion was made to excuse Councilmember Christensen. (m/s Fanning/Garcia), the motion carried.

STAFF PRESENT: Finance Director Janice Flynn, Public Works Director Mauricio Romero and Sewer Tech Brent Flinn

PRESENTATIONS

- Bob Murphy with Royal Golf Association discussed the need for additional funding for the Royal Golf Course and the previous approval of \$20,000.00 for the purchase of a mower. The course is always improving, play is up and there is always a need for updated equipment. They always buy used equipment and finance it. The previous request for \$30,000 is to cover general expenses and keep the doors open as a community service. Seasonal employees are laid off as soon as possible. They currently have a balance of \$12,000.00, which will not sustain them until spring. There was Council discussion, which included rates charged for the RV spots, Royal Port District paying for their sign at the course, School District contributions as the course is used by the golf team, and details about fundraising events and the use/promotion of the Community Center.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Comments were received throughout the meeting and summarized below

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CONSENT AGENDA: A motion was made to approve the consent agenda as presented. (m/s Garcia/Fanning), the motion carried.

Items on the Consent Agenda are as follows:

- Council Meeting Minutes from December 02, 2025
- Payroll 12/15/2025 in the amount of \$36,554.72
- Claims for 12/16/2025 #32337 – 32363 in the amount of \$73,690.62

PUBLIC HEARING

- None

ORDINANCES

- Ordinance 25-03 Regarding Water Rates
- Ordinance 25-04 Regarding Sewer Rates
- Ordinance 25-05 Regarding Refuse Rates
- Ordinances 25-03, 25-04 and 25-05 were presented by Finance Director Flynn. There was Council discussion. A motion was made to adopt Ordinance 25-03, Ordinance 25-04 and Ordinance 25-05 as presented, (m/s Kannely/Garcia), the motion carried.
- Ordinance 25-06 Amending the 2025 Budget was presented by Finance Director Flynn. There was Council discussion. A motion was made to adopt Ordinance 25-06 as presented, (m/s Kannely/Fanning), the motion carried.
- Ordinance 25-07 Adopting the Budget for the year ending December 31, 2026, was presented by Finance Director Flynn. There was Council discussion. A motion was made to adopt Ordinance 25-07 as presented, (m/s Garcia/Fanning), the motion carried.

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RESOLUTIONS

- None

STAFF REPORTS

Finance: The following was presented by Janice Flynn

- General Business – Salary increases for 2026. There was Council discussion. Council will wait to decide on a COLA percentage until closer to the end of the year.

Police Department:

- None
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Public Works: The following was presented by PW Director Romero

- General business – PW Director Romero inquired about safety supplies and clothing identifying PW's workers as City employees. There was Council discussion. Safety gear is provided by the City. PW Director Romero will look into the availability and cost of shirts, jackets and hats with the City logo. Consideration of a per employee clothing allowance may be considered.
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Planning & Building:

- None

Legal: None

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COUNCIL REPORT & COMMENTS –

- There was additional discussion regarding funding for the Royal City Golf Course. A motion was made to amend the 11/18/2025 approval of \$20,000.00 for a mower to \$30,000.00 for their general fund. (m/s Kannely/Rodriguez), the motion carried.

MAYOR's REPORT & COMMENTS –

- None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 pm. (Garcia), Motion carried unanimously.

Ryan Piercy, Mayor

ATTEST:

Janice Flynn, Finance Director