

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Shannon Reynolds called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmembers David M. Viafore, Brett L. Wittner, Karen Mauer-Smith, Nikki Bufford, and Jim Andrews were present. Councilmembers Jim Andrews and Nikki Bufford attended the meeting virtually. Councilmember Hunter T. George was absent and excused.

PRESIDING OFFICER'S REPORT

A. Proclamation: Ride Transit Month

Mayor Reynolds read the proclamation titled Ride Transit Month into the record. **Councilmember Viafore MOVED to authorize the Mayor's signature on the proclamation proclaiming the month of June 2025, as Ride Transit Month in the City of Fircrest; seconded by Councilmember Wittner.** Mayor Reynolds invited Councilmembers' and Pierce Transit representatives' comments. Pierce Transit Chief Planning Officer Ryan Wheaton and Downtown on the Go! Executive Director Laura Svancarek thanked the Council, accepted the proclamation, and spoke on the importance of transit services. Mayor Reynolds invited public comment; none were provided.

The Motion Carried (6-0).

B. Proclamation: Independence Day

Mayor Reynolds read the proclamation titled Independence Day into the record. **Councilmember Wittner MOVED to authorize the Mayor's signature on the proclamation proclaiming July 4th, 2025, as Independence Day in the City of Fircrest; seconded by Councilmember Mauer-Smith.** Mayor Reynolds invited Councilmembers' comment; none were provided. Mayor Reynolds invited public comment; none were provided.

The Motion Carried (6-0).

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

There were none.

DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS

- Acting City Manager Grover provided a report on the Strawberry Festival and Community Garage Sale events. He thanked the Council for volunteering at the Strawberry Festival. Councilmember Viafore commented on sending Congresswoman Strickland a thank you letter for her assistance in scheduling the military band. Lastly, he reported on the upcoming Derby Days scheduled for July 5, 2025, with approximately 15 racers.
- Acting Police Chief Gollinger thanked the Council for their support during his period as Acting Chief.
- Public Works Director Bemis commented on providing continuous support for the City-sponsored events, upcoming road markings, right-of-way maintenance, and summer City beautification efforts. There was a brief discussion about Claremont Street and the University Place paving projects completion timeline.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

- Councilmember Andrews; no comment.
- Councilmember Bufford expressed appreciation for the Parks and Recreation staff, volunteers, and the Kiwanis Club for the successful Strawberry Festival and garage sale events.
- Councilmember Wittner; no comment.
- Councilmember Mauer-Smith thanked the Parks and Recreation staff for their efforts at the Strawberry Festival and garage sale event, and the Fire Department's quick response to the recent house fire. Acting Police Chief Gollinger stated that the cause of the fire was likely related to battery charging equipment.
- Councilmember Viafore; no comment.
- Mayor Reynolds; no comment.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mayor Reynolds invited public comment. There were none.

COMMITTEE, COMMISSION, AND LIAISON REPORTS

A. Parks, Recreation and Sustainability

There was no report.

B. Police/Public Safety and Court

There was no report.

C. Public Works and Facilities

There was no report.

D. Pierce County Regional Council

Mayor Reynolds reported that the Pierce County Regional Council did not meet in June in observance of Juneteenth.

E. Other Liaison Reports

Councilmember Bufford provided a Centennial Committee update, including the draft City Centennial Birthday Week schedule of celebrations, which features a legacy project unveiling, an immersive historical experience, Fircrest Night at the Tacoma Rainiers game, and a special Council meeting.

There was a brief discussion on the need to obtain Council approval for the Centennial Birthday Week schedule of celebrations.

Councilmember Bufford provided a brief sponsorship and donations financial report and commented on the need for additional volunteers.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Reynolds requested the City Clerk read the Consent Calendar.

- A.** Approval of Check No. 223058 through 223119 in the amount of \$402,655.02
Approval of payroll electronic funds transfer in the amount of \$183,845.60

B. Approval of June 10, 2025, Regular Meeting minutes

Councilmember Wittner MOVED to approve the Consent Calendar; seconded by Councilmember Viafore.

The Motion Carried (6-0).

PUBLIC HEARING

There was no public hearing scheduled.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Pierce Transit Long Range Plan Presentation

Pierce Transit Planner Brittany Carbullido presented Pierce Transit's Long-Range Plan and highlighted funding scenarios and potential service improvements impacting the City of Fircrest. Mayor Reynolds invited Councilmembers' comments. Councilmember Viafore thanked Pierce Transit for its presentation.

B. Resolution No. 1977: Approval of the City's 6-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program

Public Works Director Bemis briefed the Council on the proposed resolution and highlighted that the Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) establishes City Council approval to submit grant applications and identifies eligible projects for State and Federal funding. **Councilmember Mauer-Smith MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 1977, approving the City of Fircrest's Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program for the period of 2026-2031; seconded by Councilmember Wittner.** Mayor Reynolds invited Councilmembers' comments; none were provided. Mayor Reynolds invited public comment; none were provided.

The Motion Carried (6-0).

C. Resolution No. 1978: Emerson Construction Management Services Amendment #1

Public Works Director Bemis briefed the Council on the proposed resolution and highlighted that the amendment updates the term to state "upon completion of the project" to align with the project completion timeline. **Councilmember Mauer-Smith MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 1978, authorizing the City Manager to execute Amendment #1 to the Professional Services Agreement with Akana for construction management services for the Emerson West Sidewalk Project; seconded by Councilmember Wittner.** Mayor Reynolds invited Councilmembers' comments; none were provided. Mayor Reynolds invited public comment; none were provided.

The Motion Carried (6-0).

D. Resolution No. 1979: StreetScan Contract Approval

Public Works Director Bemis briefed the Council on the proposed resolution and highlighted that the agreement provides comprehensive pavement asset management services. **Councilmember Mauer-Smith MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 1979, authorizing the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with StreetScan USA, Inc. for pavement asset management services; seconded by Councilmember Wittner.** Mayor Reynolds invited Councilmembers' comments; none were provided. Mayor Reynolds invited public comment; none were provided.

The Motion Carried (6-0).

CALL FOR FINAL COMMENTS

Councilmember Viafore thanked the meeting attendees for their participation and Pierce Transit for a great presentation.

City Clerk Burkhardt noted for the record that Councilmember George had requested an excused absence from this meeting.

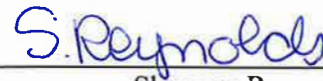
EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Viafore MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 P.M., seconded by Councilmember Wittner.

The Motion Carried (6-0).



Shannon Reynolds, Mayor



Arlette Burkhardt, City Clerk