

May 12, 2026
5:15 PM

**CITY OF CHELAN
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**

1. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL
2. CITY COUNCIL APPLICANT INTERVIEWS
 - A. List of Applicants - in alphabetical order, by first name (Mayor McCardle)
 - Ben Laughlin
 - Brant Jones
 - Cesar Rivera-Vargas
 - Lars Strandberg
 - Pamela Gean Van Gerpen
 - Todd Higley

The interview and appointment process will be held **on Tuesday, May 12, 2026, beginning at 5:15 p.m., or shortly thereafter**, in Council Chambers at City Hall. Interviews will be conducted in alphabetical order by first name.

Each applicant will be provided up to eight (8) minutes to address the Council. During their remarks, they are requested to address each of the following questions individually:

1. How do you see your role on City Council in shaping its decisions and representing community viewpoints; what special skills or viewpoints do you believe you would bring to Council?
2. Please explain the difference in the roles, duties, and authority between the mayor and a councilmember.
3. Explain your motivation for serving on Council and what your priorities would be while in the position. How do you hope to make progress on these priorities?
4. A major part of the Council agenda in the coming months will be devoted to reviewing and adopting our budget. Recognizing that there are specific fiscal and statutory constraints on City government, how would you balance and evaluate fiscal realities with competing policy objectives?
5. What else would you like to say about yourself, your priorities or your vision for Chelan that you feel is important and has not been addressed?

Please note: Responses should reflect your own judgment and priorities, and please let us know if AI was used in the development of your statement. There will be no question-and-answer period during the allotted interview time. Given the number of applicants, we respectfully ask that you plan your remarks accordingly to ensure all questions are addressed within the allotted time. City Council Councilmembers will have reviewed your application materials in advance.

Following the interviews, the Council will adjourn into Executive Session to discuss the applicants and then return to open session to potentially take action. If a nomination is made, a motion and vote will be taken. The successful

applicant will be administered the Oath of Office and seated immediately. The appointed individual must be prepared to participate in the regularly scheduled City Council meeting immediately following the appointment.

Council Position No. 5 currently has approximately eighteen (18) months remaining in the term; however, under state law, this appointment will expire upon certification of the November 2, 2027 election. To serve the remainder of the term, the appointed individual will need to run for office in the November 2027 general election.

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. RCW 42.30.110(1)(h) - To Evaluate the Qualifications of a Candidate for Appointment to Elective Office - Action May be Taken (City Attorney Batjer)

4. CITY COUNCIL POSITION NO. 5 OATH OF OFFICE

5. AGENDA CHANGES

6. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Items not on the agenda. Time limited per the Mayor.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

All items under the Consent Agenda are approved with one motion. Suggested Motion: I move to approve the Consent Agenda.

- A. Approve May 12, 2026 Accounts Payable Checks and EFT's & Payroll Checks and EFT' s (Councilmember Collins)
- B. Approve the April 07, 2026 Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (Deputy City Clerk Couch)
- C. Approve the April 14, 2026 Regular Council Meeting Minutes (Deputy City Clerk Couch)
- D. Approve the April 28, 2026 Regular Council Meeting Minutes (Deputy City Clerk Couch)
- E. Approve the May 05, 2026 Council Workshop Meeting Minutes (Deputy City Clerk Couch)
- F. Ordinance No. 2026-1659 Title 1. General Provisions of the Chelan Municipal Code (City Administrator McAloon)

8. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND AWARDS

- A. National Public Works Week Proclamation (Mayor McCardle)

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. None

10. MOTION CONSIDERATIONS

- A. None

11. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- A. Comprehensive Plan Discussion (Community Development Director Ajax)

12. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

These items are for informational purposes only and are generally not discussed.

- A. Tentative Advanced Agenda (City Administrator McAloon)
- B. Lake Chelan Chamber of Commerce Financial Report (Finance Director Evans)
- C. Contract Intake Log (City Clerk Gallucci)
- D. Parks Department - Memorial Day Weekend Update (Parks and Recreation Director Cooper)

13. CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS

14. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

15. ADJOURNMENT

Our Vision

Chelan is a rural lakeside community surrounded by pristine natural beauty where generations of visitors and residents enjoy an exceptional quality of life.

Our Guiding Principles & Outcomes

Visionary & Strategic - A city that is forward-thinking, collaborative, and fiscally responsible.

Thriving & Connected - A vibrant, well-planned city where residents have a sense of home.

Healthy & Sustainable - A flourishing city that supports an active community.

Accessible & Welcoming - A safe city where everyone can find community.

The next meeting will be a City Council Regular Meeting on May 26, 2026, beginning at 5:15 p.m. in Council Chambers, 135 E. Johnson Avenue, Chelan, Washington.

A City Council meeting packet is available for review on the City's Website: City of Chelan under Government - City Council Meetings & Agendas.