BOARD OF WORKS
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2026
5:00 P.M.

Mayor Ryan Daniel – Present
Clerk Treasurer Leslee Robinson – Present
Attorney Marcia McNagny – Present via phone
Daniel Weigold – Present
Lisa Smith – Present

The Columbia City Board of Works met in regular session with all members present. Mayor Daniel called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT There were no public comments.

MINUTES Dan Weigold made a motion to approve the September 8, 2026 meeting minutes as presented. Lisa Smith seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

Dan Weigold made a motion to approve the September 14, 2026 special meeting minutes as presented. Lisa Smtih seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT – 116 E. ELLSWORTH STREET Nate Bratton and Toni Staples were present to discuss the encroachment agreement. Nate Bratton explained that they were putting apartments in what used to be the Country Quilt building and to support that they would like to have parking along Washington Street. He shared that in looking at satellite photos from the past, there used to be parking there. Mayor Daniel questioned if they would have diagonal parking there. Mr. Bratton advised that was correct and would have a maximum of 12 spaces. Photos were shared of what they were planning to do.

Mayor Daniel questioned if they had talked with any of the neighbors about it. Mr. Bratton shared that they had not yet. Chip Hill mentioned that the property was up for rezoning. Mayor Daniel commented that the encroachment agreement would really be subject to the rezone. He questioned if they would not get the rezone if they would still have parking there. Toni Staples advised she would like to because they were also going to be running Columbia City Insulating out of the back of the building.

Dan Weigold questioned the depth of the parking spaces. Mr. Bratton thought they would be about 29 feet. Dan Weigold expressed concern for parking the insulation trucks there. Ms. Staples advised the trucks would have to park differently. Mayor Daniel confirmed this would just be car parking for the renters. Ms. Staples advised that was correct. Mayor Daniel questioned if they would have the insulation trucks toward the front. Mr. Bratton advised that was correct, or on the side of the building in the off-street parking. Dan Weigold commented that there was not a lot of traffic through there. Mayor Daniel agreed and added that the neighbors would have a say through the rezone process.

Mayor Daniel confirmed the parking would stop at the edge of the building. He shared concerns for line-of-sight issues. Mr. Bratton advised that parking would not go past the edge of the building.

Mike Cook noted that there was a sewer regulator beside the building that would have to be designated as no parking so they could access it.

Toni Staples mentioned a tile that has telephone cables and wires at the opposite end of the building that has no cover on it. Chip Hill thought it to be Surf Internet. Mayor Daniel advised he would have his assistant call about it.

Mayor Daniel made a motion to approve the encroachment agreement for 116 E. Ellsworth Street with the caveat that the wastewater infrastructure is not blocked. Lisa Smith second the motion, motion passed unanimously.

BILLS Lisa Smith made a motion to pay accounts payable in the amount of $205,853.81 from the allowance of accounts payable vouchers dated September 22, 2026 for checks. Dan Weigold seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

Lisa Smith made a motion to pay all accounts payable in the amount of $978,950.16 from the allowance of accounts payable vouchers dated September 22, 2026 for EFT payments. Dan Weigold seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

PAYROLL Lisa Smith made a motion to pay all accounts payable except overtime in the amount of $284,222.35 plus overtime in the amount of $8,165.49 for a total of $292,387.84 for the payfile ending September 4, 2026. Dan Weigold seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

DEPARTMENT **Shawn Lickey –** finishing up work at Eagle Park, paving crew on SR 109 tore down a section of our primary which caused an outage and then had the storms come through that took out about 600 people. **Chip Hill –** repairing sink hole at the Thomas Marshall Park, have the GMP on the amphitheater for council's consideration, started work in Westgate. **Matt Heiden –** old skate park being removed, shade structures going up for the dog park, working on the Mother/Son Halloween event, JFL moving forward. **Terry Wherry –** firmware upgrade on the firewall. **Mike Shoda –** drained, cleaned, and patched leak in the East water tower. **Mike Cook –** doing industrial flow monitoring, pumping tanks down and cleaning out from all the rain events, purchased a new lawn tractor. **Toby Fralick –** mounting tools in new engine, Trent Stamper working on fall protection for the senior center, completed 189 hours of training in the last month.

STREET CLOSING PERMIT – BABE/WC HEALTH DEPARTMENT Mayor Daniel presented a street closing permit request from Babe and the WC Health Department for a car seat safety event on October 5 from 12 – 6 p.m. He reported that they were requesting the alley right next to BABE. He advised that our public safety departments have signed off on it, as well they were asking for 4 barricades.

Mayor Daniel made a motion to approve the street closing permit for the car seat safety event as presented. Lisa Smith seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR REPORT Mayor Daniel pointed out the amphitheater drawings that the council will be discussing at their meeting tonight. He shared that he spent the day at the high school teaching classes about local government. He reported that the AIM Ideas Summit was next week, and he will not be at the next Board of Works meeting.

Having no further business to come before the Board, Mayor Daniel called the meeting adjourned.

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Mayor Ryan Daniel

Attest:

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Clerk Treasurer Leslee Robinson