



**CITY OF ROYAL CITY  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
March 17, 2026**

The City Council of the City of Royal City, Grant County, Washington, met in regular session on March 17, 2026. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Mayor Piercy.

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

**STAFF PRESENT:** Finance Director Janice Flynn, Public Works Director Mauricio Romero and Chief Rodriguez

**PRESENTATIONS**

- Maria Rodriguez with Royal Community Coalition requested the use of Lion's park for Take Back Day on 04/18/2026 from 10:00 – 2:00. Resolution 2022-02 designates the City as a co-sponsor of this event. There was Council discussion. Council approved the use of the park pending verification of park availability.
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**PUBLIC COMMENT –** Comments were received throughout the meeting and summarized below:

- Jill Larsen with Summerfest presented the plan for the 2026 festival. Public Works Director Romero asked that Summerfest request parade participants not throw out candy that sticks to the street. Chief Rodriguez indicated he has written guidelines for car show participants. There was Council discussion, including the possibility of bringing back the Friday night community dinner and having City Council and staff serving. Council will need to let Summerfest know by the next Council meeting if they want to have the dinner.
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**CONSENT AGENDA: A motion was made to approve the consent agenda as presented. (m/s Garcia/Rodriguez), the motion carried.**

Items on the Consent Agenda are as follows:

- Council Meeting Minutes from March 03, 2026
- Payroll 03/15/2026 in the amount of \$36,238.54
- Claims for 03/17/2026-03/17/2026 #32474 – 32492 in the amount of \$54,442.01

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

- None
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## **ORDINANCES**

- None
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## **RESOLUTIONS**

- None

## **STAFF REPORTS**

**Finance:** The following was presented by Janice Flynn

- General Business –
- ILA with Grant County Health District – There was Council discussion. **A motion was made to approve the Mayor to sign the 2026 Interlocal Agreement with Grant County Health District, to sign the acknowledgement of dual representation from Katherine Kenison and make payment to the Health District per the ILA. (m/s Garcia/Rodriguez), the motion carried.**
- Special Event Application for the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Fiesta de Salud was presented. Fiesta will be held in Lion’s Park on Oct 9, 2026 from 3-6. There was Council discussion. Council approved the application pending receipt of proof of insurance and verification of park availability.
- Anderson Perry Task Order for design and preconstruction work for Well No. 5 was presented. Anderson Perry costs on this project will be \$5,000 more than originally anticipated on the funding application in 2024. **A motion was made to approve the Mayor to sign the Task Order for design and preconstruction work for Well No. 5. (m/s Kannely/Garcia), the motion carried.**
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**Police Department:** The following was presented by Chief Rodriguez

- General Business, which included looking into the purchase of a new patrol vehicle in 2027.
- Chief suggested using a per diem allowance for meal travel expenses. Janice Flynn has looked into this and suggested using the Government Services Administration

per diem allowance for employee meals while traveling for the City. There was Council discussion. Janice Flynn will draft a policy for review.

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**Public Works:** The following was presented by PW Director Romero

- General business –
- Project to remove dead trees in park will begin soon. Janice Flynn cautioned to not eliminate the risk prior to us receiving word from WCIA if we received the risk mitigation grant.
- Spring Clean Up Days will be held April 30-May 2, 2026.

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**Planning & Building:** None

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**Legal:** None

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**COUNCIL REPORT & COMMENTS –**

- Soccer Field Scheduling – To be discussed at the next meeting
- Old Library Property – The Mayor presented options for the future of the old library. There was Council discussion. Discussions to continue at the next meeting.

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**MAYOR’S REPORT & COMMENTS –**

- Food Vendor Ordinance – There was Council discussion regarding finalizing any changes. Mayor will have the City attorney draft the final ordinance.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

**There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 pm. (Garcia), Motion carried unanimously.**

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Ryan Piercy Mayor

ATTEST:

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Janice Flynn, Finance Director